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# First Bank of Highland Park Changes Name to First Bank Chicago

**HIGHLAND PARK, IL** – July 1, 2022 – After decades of strong growth, First Bank of Highland Park has legally changed its name to First Bank Chicago.

"The name First Bank Chicago, already in place for most of our commercial clients, allows us to reach more clients and continue our growth throughout the Chicago metro area," says Chief Executive Officer and President, Eric Ephraim. He further adds, "we are excited about these changes and the future of First Bank Chicago."

With consistent family ownership for over forty years, and many years to come, and an emphasis on high caliber commercial products and five-star client service, the bank continues to expand throughout the Chicago metro area. In 2019, the bank opened a full-service banking center in Skokie. In 2021, the Bank modernized its Northbrook banking center. In 2022, a loan production office was opened in Westchester. A future site is slated to open in the West Loop by the end of 2023. The original location in Highland Park will continue to use the "First Bank of Highland Park" name as a division of First Bank Chicago.

"Backed by over 65 years of history, our experienced team of bankers are empowered to make decisions and provide customized solutions for their clients," says Ephraim. "As we have seen, our exceptional staff continues to work well with our clients. People like working with and for a bank that genuinely cares about their success. We are optimistic that our name change and new locations will lead to opportunities for our clients, employees, and community to grow with us."

### ABOUT FIRST BANK CHICAGO

First Bank Chicago, one of the top five privately held banks in Chicago, provides full-service banking solutions for commercial and consumer clients throughout Chicagoland. First Bank Chicago's deep culture of caring includes giving time, talent, and resources to all corners of Chicagoland and surrounding communities. The Bank has been named as

one of the "Best Places to Work" by Crain's Chicago Business in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021. To learn more about First Bank Chicago, visit https://www.firstbankchicago.com/.

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