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To Our Valued Clients,

Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company is honored to be your trusted banking partner. Over the years, we've witnessed generations grow, businesses succeed, and our community thrive into the vibrant place it is today. Our dedicated team remains committed to upholding our tradition of personalized, local customer service.

Today, I'm excited to share a significant update about your banking experience. After careful consideration, we have decided to merge with Heritage Bank. This decision wasn't taken lightly; it was made with you, our valued clients, at the forefront. Heritage Bank was chosen because of its local ownership, local decision making, its unwavering focus on client relationships, and its shared commitment to the success of the communities it serves. We have signed the agreement and are now beginning the process of gaining regulatory approval, which typically takes a few months to complete.

Mark Kossler, the entire Fidelity team and I will join Heritage Bank, allowing you to continue to work with the people you know and trust. The merger of these two banks will enhance our ability to serve you better.

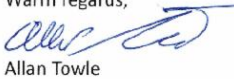
This decision reflects our primary focus on doing what's best for our clients in the long term, especially in the face of evolving external pressures. The merger addresses the increasing challenges that small community banks like ours face, while also opening the door to new opportunities with a partner that not only aligns with our values but also brings a strong financial foundation. Together, we can better serve you and continue contributing to the community we all cherish.

Heritage Bank has built a reputation for providing responsive, personalized service. Like us, they are deeply rooted in Topeka and dedicated to maintaining strong, personal connections. This partnership will offer you enhanced banking capabilities — all while maintaining the familiar faces you are used to at our branch locations.

This is an exciting time for us, and we're confident that this partnership will only strengthen our ability to serve you better. We're committed to keeping you informed every step of the way and ensuring that this transition is as seamless as possible. For any questions you might have, please refer to our dedicated Client FAQ. Additionally, feel free to reach out directly to your banker for personalized support.

Thank you for your continued trust in Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company. We look forward to delivering even greater value and service as we partner with Heritage Bank.

Warm regards,



Allan Towle
 Chairman, President & CEO

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Heritage Bank and Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company to Merge

Topeka, Kansas, December 13, 2024 – Heritage Bancshares, Inc., the holding company of Heritage Bank, and Fidelity Kansas Bankshares, Inc., the holding company of Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company, have jointly announced today the signing of a stock purchase agreement whereby Heritage Bancshares, Inc. will acquire Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company. Following the closing of the transaction, Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company will be merged with and into Heritage Bank with Heritage Bank as the surviving entity. The transaction has been approved by the board of directors of each company and is expected to close in the second quarter of 2025, subject to customary closing conditions including shareholder and regulatory approvals.

Based on the most recent reported financials, the combined institution is expected to have approximately \$300 million in total assets and 3 banking offices in the greater Topeka area.

With the announcement, Heritage Bank's President, CEO & Director, Tony Konrade, commented, "We are excited to expand our commitment to the Topeka region through the merger of our two organizations. The team at Fidelity has done an excellent job building relationships with their clients and communities, and it is our plan to deepen those existing ties. Supporting our local communities remains at the heart of our mission. Having Allan Towle, Mark Kossler, and the Fidelity team join Heritage Bank is a significant milestone in our journey to make our local communities better."

"We look forward to teaming up with Heritage Bank and the opportunities that this new partnership will create," said Allan Towle, Chairman, President & CEO of Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company. "Heritage Bank's mission to help customers and the community prosper aligns directly with our focus on the customer's success, which leads to the success of the community. One of the strongest values in this combination is local ownership and local decision making dedicated to the greater Topeka community. These two key elements bring significant benefits in serving our customers, our staff, and the community."

Olsen Palmer LLC served as financial advisor to Heritage Bancshares, Inc., and Armstrong Teasdale LLP served as its legal counsel. CC Capital Advisors, Inc. d/b/a The Capital Corporation served as financial advisor to Fidelity Kansas Bankshares, Inc., and Stinson LLP served as its legal counsel.

About Heritage Bank

Heritage Bank, the wholly-owned banking subsidiary of Heritage Bancshares, Inc., was founded in Topeka, Kansas in 2003. With one location, Heritage Bank's mission is to be the premier community bank for individuals and businesses across Shawnee County. Still based in Topeka, Heritage Bank has \$135 million in total assets with 16 full-time employees. For more information, please visit www.heritagebankonline.com.

About Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company

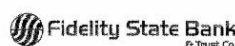
Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company, the subsidiary bank of Fidelity Kansas Bankshares, Inc., was founded in 1922. Fidelity offers a variety of products for individuals and businesses across their 2 branches. Headquartered in Topeka, Kansas, Fidelity now holds \$160 million in total assets and serves their community with 29 full-time employees. For more information, please visit www.fidelitytopeka.com.

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Frequently Asked Questions



We are excited to be announcing the sale of Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company to Heritage Bank. Combining our institutions will result in a stronger organization, increasing the potential for strategic community investment and growth opportunities for our businesses and consumers. Please be assured that our goal is to complete a smooth transition with frequent communication along the way. We believe that we are better together than we are individually, and our combined customers, communities, and associates benefit tremendously!

Is there anything I need to do?

No. It's business as usual now and for several months ahead. You will receive information in advance about the systems and technology conversion and any changes that may affect your account(s). And we'll be with you every step of the way!

You will continue to have the same personal attention, the same strong support for our local communities and the same volunteerism from our employees. In addition, you will gain access to a wider collection of products and services when the transaction is complete.

Why is Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company selling to Heritage Bank?

- Our two organizations share a very similar mission, vision, and purpose, demonstrated by a long history of genuine commitment to our customers and our local communities.
- The transaction will provide improved product and service offerings, greater capacity, and greater convenience for our customers.
- Heritage Bank shares our commitment to significant involvement in our local communities.

How do we know the conversion will go smoothly?

As a valued customer of Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company, we know that you are accustomed to service beyond expectations. We promise that this level of service will not only be met but will be exceeded.

Both banks are deeply connected to the needs and goals of the communities we serve. We share common cultures and operate with a very similar philosophy of high-touch service.

We will provide communications to guide you through this transition and ease your mind with detailed information around account numbers, direct payments and direct deposits, debit cards, loan payments, online banking and more.

How will my account(s) be impacted?

There will be no changes to your account(s) until the system transition takes place in 2025. Until then, Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company's existing account agreements and all other contracts will continue to govern your account(s), and you can continue to bank as usual using your Fidelity debit card, checks and deposit slips, website, and online banking. You should also

continue to make any loan payments as usual. We will notify you in writing well in advance about any changes to your account(s) and services due to the conversion. We are focused on ensuring a smooth transition.

Can I continue to use my existing checks, debit card, and/or ATM card?

Yes, please continue to use your existing checks, debit, and ATM cards.

Will the bank's name change?

Our objective is to combine the best of both organizations, honor our past and embrace the future. Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company will adopt the Heritage Bank name over time, but the people providing you with the same local service will continue to be there to assist you.

Will my account or loan number change?

For now, your account numbers will remain the same. In the unlikely event a change is needed, you will be notified well in advance, and we will handle all the details.

Will my direct deposits, automated payments, and transfers continue to be connected to my account?

Yes. All these services will continue without interruption at this time. If you need to make changes, please contact your banker.

How about my safe deposit box?

There will be no change to your safe deposit service.

Will my deposits still be FDIC-insured?

Yes. Your deposit accounts will continue to be insured by the FDIC. The standard FDIC insurance amount is \$250,000 per depositor, per insured bank, for each ownership category.

What online banking changes should I expect?

You will continue to have access to the same online banking pages and information you have today. In 2025, you will view a different online banking screen, but continue to access complete account information, make transfers between accounts, pay bills electronically, and view check images.

Will any branches be closed after the transaction?

Locations are a critical part of our success, today and in the future integrated company. Management from both banks will take into consideration many factors that allow us to best serve our customers, including physical locations and technology. Our goal will be to maintain convenient access for all business and personal customers if branch consolidations are implemented.

Who should I contact with additional questions?

You can call the same people you call today with any questions. The phone numbers will remain the same, so feel free to contact your Fidelity State Bank and Trust Company Relationship Manager. They will be available to answer any questions you may have.

Visit our websites here:

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