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**MATTHEW SMITH COMPLETES
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BANKING PROGRAM**

MATTOON, IL — Matthew Smith, First Mid’s Chief Financial Officer, has recently graduated from the Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin – Madison, and also earned the prestigious Certificate of Executive Leadership from the Wisconsin School of Business.

The Graduate School of Banking is widely recognized as the nation's leading and most progressive banking school, offering a comprehensive course of study that focuses on meeting the changing needs of today's bank manager.

Smith joined First Mid in 2016 as Executive Vice President, Director of Finance, and was later promoted to Chief Financial Officer in 2017. He holds a bachelor’s degree in finance and a Master of Business Administration from Eastern Illinois University, and a master’s degree in accounting and financial management from DeVry University’s Keller Graduate School of Management. Smith is also a certified public accountant (CPA).

Smith serves on the Advisory Board of the Eastern Illinois University School of Business and the Illinois Chamber of Commerce.

About First Mid Bancshares, Inc.: First Mid Bancshares, Inc. is the parent company of First Mid Bank & Trust, N.A., First Mid Insurance Group and First Mid Wealth Management Company. First Mid Bank & Trust was first chartered in 1865 and has since grown into a \$3.8 billion community-focused organization that provides financial services through a network of banking centers in Illinois and Missouri and a loan production office in Indiana. More information about the Company is available on our website at www.firstmid.com. Our stock is traded in The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC under the ticker symbol “FMBH.”