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**JEREMY HOWARD COMPLETES
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BANKING PROGRAM**

MATTOON, IL — Jeremy Howard, First Mid’s Community Bank President for Peoria, 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.

Howard joined First Mid Bank & Trust in 2015. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing from Bradley University and his Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Phoenix. He also holds a Certified Treasury Professional (CTP) designation.

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