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German American Bank Receives Forbes Recognition as Top 10 in America's Best Banks

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JASPER, Ind.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Once again, German American Bank has been ranked in the top 10 best banks in the nation on the **Forbes America's Best Banks 2026** list and is the highest ranked bank serving Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio. Each year, Forbes evaluates the 200 largest publicly traded banks and thrifts by asset size and then ranks the top 100 strongest financial performers.

"We are incredibly proud to once again be ranked as a top 10 bank in the country on this prestigious Forbes list," said Neil Dauby, Chairman and CEO of German American Bank. "Our team is dedicated to maintaining our community-first banking model. It differentiates us from our competitors and drives our strong performance. To be ranked as a top 10 bank in the country and as the highest ranked bank in Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio is a testament to our team."

To achieve this top 10 ranking in America's Best Banks, German American Bank was evaluated on 11 equally-weighted metrics measuring growth, credit quality, and profitability for the 12 months ending September 30, 2025, as well as stock performance in the 12 months through January 23, 2025.

For more information about this recognition visit: **Forbes 2026 America's Best Banks List | Top Ranked and Rated.**

About German American Bank

German American Bancorp, Inc. (Nasdaq: GABC) is a financial holding company based in Jasper, Indiana. German American, through its banking subsidiary German American Bank, operates 94 banking offices located throughout Indiana (central/southern), Kentucky (northern/central/western), and Ohio (central/ southwest). In Columbus, Ohio and Greater Cincinnati, the Company does business as Heartland Bank, a division of German American Bank. The

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