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## PRESS RELEASE

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### **JOE SARAFI NAMED AS NEW WEST SHORE BANK BOARD OF DIRECTOR**

LUDINGTON, MI – Raymond A. Biggs, President and CEO of West Shore Bank, is pleased to announce the appointment of Joe Sarafa to the Board of Directors of West Shore Bank and West Shore Bank Corporation. The appointment was made at the board meeting held on September 17<sup>th</sup>. This year, Sarafa is the third addition to West Shore Bank's Board of Directors, following Dennis Patrick McCarthy and Robert G. Mannes appointments in April 2024.



Joe Sarafa has been an attorney for over 40 years and is a partner in the law firm of Moothart & Sarafa, PLC, located in Williamsburg, Michigan. He is owner of Envision Development, LLC in Traverse City, MI; who buys, builds and manages properties throughout Michigan. The company is currently focused on commercial and office properties in Northwest Michigan, and recently developed and built West Shore Bank's Traverse City location.

Mr. Sarafa is very involved in the community, serving multiple business and charitable organizations in several capacities over the years. He currently serves on the board of a publicly traded insurance company, a local winery, and is involved in several local projects.

Mr. Sarafa earned his Bachelor of Science in Business degree from the University of Michigan - Dearborn and earned his Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Detroit. He is a life-long Michigan resident and has been married to his wife, Kelley, for 37 years. They have two children and two dogs.

"We want to welcome Joe to the Board of Directors as brings over three decades of experience in commercial real estate development and management," affirmed Ray Biggs.

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