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Marquette Bank Participates in America Saves Week February 22- March 1, 2009

Orland Park, IL (February 20, 2009) – Marquette Bank, a locally-owned neighborhood bank, announces its participation in America Saves Week, February 22 – March 1, 2009. This national campaign is a new and expanded effort aimed at reaching individuals to increase awareness of the need to save money, reduce debt and build wealth with a primary focus on empowering people to take Financial Action – commitments to save, invest and build wealth.

America Saves has over 500 financial institutions both banks and credit unions providing no or low fee, low opening balance savings accounts that allow small savers to achieve success. Launched in 2001, America Saves now has over 50 local, state and national campaigns. More than 1,000 non-profit organizations, companies, government agencies, educational institutions, religious institutions and unions are involved nationwide.

Currently more than 100,000 Savers across the country are enrolled. Their top savings goals are:

- Emergency Fund – people saving on average \$68 a month
- Savings & Investment – people saving on average \$74 a month
- Homeownership – people saving on average \$93 a month

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“Marquette Bank is always looking for new ways to help our neighbors achieve their financial dreams,” said Betty Kosky-Harn, Executive Vice President. “Marquette Bank is excited to take part in America Saves and assist people in attaining their savings goals.”

Marquette Bank is participating in America Saves Week by offering Savings Specials to employees, customers and neighbors. The customer savings special features a 2.00% APY guaranteed rate for 6 months on a Passbook or Statement Savings Account with a low \$100 minimum balance to open. The Bank is offering a Free Financial Review for those interested in saving for retirement, college or home ownership. Marquette Bank also offers Personal Finance Workshops every month or by appointment at the request of schools, companies or community groups.

For more information on America Saves Week, visit americasaves.org, where you can sign up for informative emails and pledge your savings goal. To take advantage of Marquette Bank’s special Savings Promotion, schedule a Free Financial Review or arrange for a Personal Finance Workshop for your community group, visit any Marquette Bank branch or call 1-888-254-9500.

About Marquette Bank

Marquette National Corporation is a \$1.6 billion diversified financial holding company for Marquette Bank. Marquette Bank has been a locally-operated bank providing personalized banking service since 1945. Marquette Bank is a full-service, customer-focused neighborhood bank that serves the financial needs of Chicagoland communities, offering an extensive line of financial products including retail banking, mortgages, trust and business banking, free Online Bill Pay and free Automated Telephone Banking. Marquette Bank’s retail branches are located in Chicago, Aurora, Bolingbrook, Bridgeview, Evergreen Park, Hickory Hills, Lemont, New Lenox, Oak Lawn, Oak Forest, Orland Park, Romeoville and Summit, Illinois. Marquette Bank customers have convenient free access to almost 40,000 Allpoint and Star^{sf} ATMs nationwide. Marquette Bank is an Equal Opportunity Lender, Equal Housing Lender and Member FDIC. For more information visit: <http://www.emarquettebank.com> or call **1-888-254-9500**.

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