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## Members 1st Federal Credit Union Announces New Senior Vice President/Chief Lending Officer

**Mechanicsburg**, **Pennsylvania** – Members 1<sup>st</sup> Federal Credit Union (Members 1<sup>st</sup>) is pleased to announce the selection of Karen Christian as the credit union's new Senior Vice President/Chief Lending Officer.

"We are excited to have Karen take on the role of Senior Vice President/Chief Lending Officer," said Kevin Lee, EVP Operations. "Karen brings extensive lending experience and knowledge to Members 1st that will continue the growth and success of the credit union."

Karen Christian last served as the Senior Vice President, Lending at NASA Federal Credit Union located in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. During her tenure, Karen increased the loan portfolio and led the conversions of the credit card processors and loan origination systems. She also played a vital role in the development of new lending products and actively participated in numerous committees.

Karen has over 14 years of experience in the credit union industry. Prior to her time at NASA FCU, she served as the Director, Credit Policy and Risk for Pentagon Federal Credit Union in Alexandria, Virginia and also as the Senior Vice President, Lending for Golden 1 Credit Union in Sacramento, California. Karen holds a Bachelor of Science in Business and a Master of Business Administration from University of Maryland University College.

"Karen has a deep rooted passion for the credit union movement and will be an asset to our team here at Members 1st. We are looking forward to working with Karen and continuing to provide exceptional lending products and services to our members," said Lee.

## About Members 1st Federal Credit Union

Members 1st Federal Credit Union is a member-owned full service financial institution located in South-Central Pennsylvania. In 1950, they opened their doors with a desk and a small counter outside the personnel office of the Naval Supply Depot in Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania. They officially adopted the name of DAFCU (Defense Activities Federal Credit Union) in 1972 and opened their first branch office at the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle that same year. Today, Members 1st Federal Credit Union is one of the largest credit unions on the East Coast with over \$2.5 billion in assets and more than 250,000 members. Headquartered in Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, the credit union has over fifty full-service branches, including seven in-school branches, throughout South-Central Pennsylvania. Their mission is to serve their community and partner with their members to offer value-added financial products, services, solutions, and no-compromise member service. For further information, please visit <a href="https://www.members1st.org">https://www.members1st.org</a>

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