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## Bank First National Corporation receives regulatory approvals for upcoming merger with Waupaca Bancorporation, Inc.

*MANITOWOC, WI – July 27, 2017* - Bank First National Corporation (<u>BFNC</u>), the holding company for Bank First National, is pleased to announce it recently received approval from The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), the Federal Reserve (Fed), and the Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions (WDFI) to merge First National Bank of Waupaca into Bank First National.

"The approvals from the OCC, Federal Reserve, and WDFI come at a great time for Bank First," stated Mike Molepske, President and Chief Executive Officer of Bank First National Corporation. "The transition teams at both First National Bank of Waupaca and Bank First have been working diligently to ensure the merger occurs smoothly and in a timely manner. These approvals allow us to continue moving forward toward our goal of making the two organizations stronger together."

Bank First National Corporation will seek approval from the shareholders of Waupaca Bancorporation, Inc. at its August 16, 2017 special meeting of shareholders. The merger of the two organizations is scheduled for Friday, October 27, 2017. The systems conversion will occur over the weekend, and the Waupaca, Weyauwega, Clintonville, Iola, Seymour, and Chetek branches will open as Bank First branches on Monday, October 30, 2017. First National Bank of Waupaca's branches in Shiocton and Marion will close at that time with the accounts of Shiocton and Marion being transferred to Seymour and Clintonville, respectively. Bank First National Corporation (BFNC) provides financial services through its subsidiary, Bank First National, which was incorporated in 1894. The Bank is an independent community bank with 12 banking locations in Manitowoc, Brown, Sheboygan, Outagamie, and Winnebago counties. The Bank has grown through both acquisitions and de novo branch expansion. The Bank offers loan, deposit and treasury management products at each of its banking offices. Insurance services are available through our bond with Ansay & Associates, LLC. Trust, investment advisory and other financial services are offered through the Bank's partnership with Legacy Private Trust, an alliance with Morgan Stanley and an affiliation with McKenzie Financial Services, LLC. The Bank is a co-member of a data processing subsidiary, UFS, LLC, which provides data services for over 50 Midwest banks. The Company employs approximately 178 full-time equivalent staff and has assets of \$1.31 billion as of June 30, 2017. Further information about Bank First National Corporation is available by clicking on the Investor Relations tab at www.BankFirstNational.com.

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