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Opportunity Bank of Montana Announces Options in Support of Furloughed Federal Employees

Helena, MT (16 January 2019) — Opportunity Bank of Montana announced details of the bank's support for federal employees furloughed as a result of the partial shutdown of the federal government.

President and CEO Pete Johnson stated "At Opportunity Bank of Montana, we understand the partial federal government shutdown is causing hardships for those employees who have been furloughed. We stand ready to assist by offering a low interest line of credit to help the federal employees meet their needs. We will also be waiving any early withdrawal penalties on certificates of deposit for those impacted employees."

Beginning immediately, Opportunity Bank of Montana is offering a line of credit for Federal workers who are not receiving a paycheck during the current shutdown. The loan, up to \$5,000, is a 12-month line of credit with monthly interest-only payments and the balance due at maturity. Approved borrowers can draw on their line in the amount and at the time that they choose. In addition, current customers can contact a lender to discuss loan modification or debt restructure options that may be available.

On the savings side, Opportunity Bank is making it easier for customers affected by the shutdown to access their savings. The bank will waive early withdrawal penalties on Certificate deposits for federal employees who want access to their savings.

Proof of furlough is needed for these offers.

Opportunity Bank encourages anyone feeling the impact of the shutdown to visit with a banker at their local branch.

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About Opportunity Bank of Montana:

Opportunity Bank of Montana is headquartered in Helena, Montana with 21 branches across the state. In business since 1922, the bank offers a full line of personal and commercial banking products with online and digital banking services. The bank employs 278 people, all working in support of the mission *To Provide Strong Financial Futures for Montanans*

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