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**Northwest Community Bank Welcomes New Director Lori Riiska, CPA**

(WINSTED, CT, October 1, 2014) ... Lori Riiska, Certified Public Accountant and the owner of Lori Riiska CPA LLC with offices in Winsted and Canaan, was recently elected to serve on the Board of Directors of Northwest Community Bank.

In business for over 30 years, Lori is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Connecticut Society of Certified Public Accountants, and is an appointed member of the Connecticut Peer Review Committee. She is a graduate of the University of Connecticut with a B.S. in Accounting.

Lori serves as the President of the University of Connecticut Alumni Association, and sits on the Institutional Advancement Committee of the Board of Trustees of the University of CT, the Foundation Board of the University of CT and the UConn Athletic Club Board. She is also a Trustee of the Northwest Connecticut YMCA and The Draper Foundation. She is involved with many non-profit organizations, such as Rotary Club of Torrington – Winsted Areas and United Way of Northwest Connecticut. She is actively involved with Litchfield County Business Professionals and the Northwest Connecticut Chamber of Commerce. Lori and her fiancé, John Svetz, reside in Winsted. Her two children Thomas Welcome and Kimberly Fejzo reside in northwest Connecticut.

Northwest Community Bank is a mutually owned state-chartered bank, headquartered in Winsted, Connecticut since 1860. In addition to Winsted's Main Office, the bank has branches in Avon, East Granby, Granby, New Hartford, and Torrington; and an academic branch at Northwestern Regional High School in Winsted.

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Photo: Lori Riiska

