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WATERBURY, Conn., August 17, 2018 – [Webster Bank](#) is pleased to announce it was named Best Bank in the 2018 *Providence Journal* Readers' Choice Awards.

“Webster Bank is honored to be named the state’s best bank in the *Providence Journal*’s Readers' Choice poll,” said Doug Scala, Webster Bank New England regional president based in Providence. “All of our Webster bankers strive to meet our customers’ needs and give back in the communities we serve. We’re so grateful to our Rhode Island customers for showing their appreciation for our service by taking the time to vote in this annual poll.”

The *Journal* received almost 40,000 nominations for awards in 160 categories. More than 31,200 Rhode Islanders cast 378,000 votes for more than 10,000 businesses during nomination and voting rounds earlier this year.

Webster received the honor at a recent ceremony at Twin River Event Center in Lincoln, Rhode Island. The bank is listed among winners in a special Readers' Choice Magazine distributed by *The Providence Journal*.

About Webster

Webster Financial Corporation is the holding company for Webster Bank, National Association and its HSA Bank division. With \$27 billion in assets, Webster provides business and consumer banking, mortgage, financial planning, trust, and investment services through 163 banking centers and 326 ATMs. Webster also provides mobile and Internet banking. Webster Bank owns the asset-based lending firm Webster Business Credit Corporation; the equipment finance firm Webster Capital Finance Corporation; and HSA Bank, a division of Webster Bank, which provides health savings account trustee and administrative services. Webster Bank is a member of the FDIC and an equal housing lender. For more information about Webster, including past press releases and the latest annual report, visit the Webster website at www.websterbank.com.