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Gulf Winds Selects Scott Slattery as Chief Lending Officer

Pensacola, Florida (June 2, 2023) — Gulf Winds Credit Union is pleased to announce the appointment of Scott Slattery as its Chief Lending Officer, effective June 5, 2023.

"We are delighted to welcome Scott to our team," said Daniel Souers, President and Chief Executive Officer of Gulf Winds. "With his extensive experience in the credit union industry and unwavering dedication to serving members, we are confident that Scott will not only strengthen our operations but also elevate the overall member experience. His expertise will undoubtedly make a significant impact on our growth and contribute to our ongoing success."

With 28 years of experience and leadership in the financial industry, Scott brings a wealth of knowledge in operations, lending and collections. His expertise encompasses improving the loan origination process, ensuring loan quality, developing new products, and effectively leading teams.

"I am honored and excited to join the Gulf Winds team as the Chief Lending Officer," said Scott. "I am passionate about helping our members achieve their financial goals and turn their dreams into reality. By prioritizing their needs and delivering exceptional service, we will create a positive impact on their lives and contribute to the continued success of Gulf Winds."

Scott's journey in credit union leadership began 20 years ago when he was appointed Assistant Vice President-Collections Manager, at Texas Dow Employees Credit Union. Progressing in his career, he earned promotions to Regional Vice President of Branch Operations in 2008, followed by Vice President of Mortgage Servicing in 2013. In 2015, Scott relocated from Lake Jackson, Texas, to Houston and joined First Service Credit Union as Vice President of Sales. He later transitioned to Vice President of Lending and Collections in 2017 at First Service, solidifying his reputation as a versatile and accomplished leader.

Scott's commitment to professional growth is demonstrated by his attendance at the Credit Union National Association Management School at Texas Christian University, where he graduated with honors.

About Gulf Winds:

Since 1954, Gulf Winds Credit Union has offered products and services that *Move Members Forward*. Gulf Winds provides 81,000+ members with the convenience of 13 branch locations, digital banking, nationwide surcharge-free ATMs and the support of more than 200 knowledgeable employees committed to providing excellent service. Membership is open to anyone that lives, works, worships or attends school in North Florida, Southern Alabama and Southern Georgia. Visit <u>GoGulfWinds.com</u> for more information.

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