

# Media Release



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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**To the Editor:**

## Dime Bank Achieves Highest Rating

**March 2010:** In these tough economic times, it is important to know there are financial institutions that are strong, secure, and ready and able to assist their communities. **Dime Bank, Norwich, Connecticut** is one such institution – dedicated to getting Main Street back on its feet. Since it exhibits overall financial superiority in such areas as: capital adequacy, delinquent loan levels and profitability, **BAUERFINANCIAL, Inc., Coral Gables, Florida** is proud to bestow its highest 5-Star Superior rating upon Dime Bank. In fact, Dime Bank has been recommended by the rating firm for over 20 straight years.

“The unstable economic picture, both on Wall Street and on Main Street, makes it all the more important to recognize those financial institutions that are strong and stable,” remarks Karen L. Dorway, president of BAUERFINANCIAL. “The institutions that played by the rules and did not compromise their lending standards are the same institutions that stand ready to help build the economy back up. Dime Bank is an excellent example of this community spirit.”

Established in 1869, Dime Bank has been serving the banking needs of its neighbors and friends for 140 years. It operates through ten conveniently located offices in Connecticut and another in Rhode Island. It can also be found on the internet at [www.dime-bank.com](http://www.dime-bank.com).

Dime Bank: “You can depend on the Dime.”

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