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PRESS RELEASE—NOLA BANK OPENS IN NEW ORLEANS

On Monday, September 14, 2026, “NOLA Bank” located at 1100 South Carrollton Avenue, New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana, opened for business. “NOLA Bank” successfully raised \$28.6 million in capital. Joseph Edward Omner will serve as President and Chief Executive Officer, Henry L. Coaxum, Jr., as Chairman of the Board, Elizabeth Fitzgerald Zimanski, as Chief Financial Officer, Chintan “Chris” Ashwinkumar, as Chief Banking Officer, and Sawyer Matthew Benson, as Chief Credit Officer of the new commercial bank.

The bank will provide a full array of banking products and services primarily to individuals, professionals, and their closely held businesses. Commissioner Scott Jolly stated that this is the eighth de novo bank to open in the U. S. in 2026, and the first new commercial bank to open in the State of Louisiana since July 26, 2010. He also expressed confidence that bank management has the desire, expertise, and resources to play an integral role in business development in Orleans and surrounding parishes in the future.

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