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## SBA'S BUFFALO DISTRICT OFFICE ACKNOWLEDGES GREAT ERIE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

East Aurora, NY, November 23, 2020— Robyn Young, CEO and Michael Pierino, VP of Operations at Great Erie Federal Credit Union have been acknowledged by the Buffalo District Office of the Small Business Association (SBA) for the credit union's participation in the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP).

Paul Hoffman, Lender Relations Specialist, SBA Buffalo District Office, presented a plaque to Great Erie for their participation in the Paycheck Protection Program assisting 9 local businesses that support 14 jobs in our community. The loans were made possible by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, also known as the CARES Act. Great Erie FCU became a participating lender during these unprecedented times to provide WNY small businesses with assistance to retain or rehire their employees.

"Great Erie Federal Credit Union exists to serve our members. Fayda Hathaway, VP of Lending, and her team quickly responded to urgent requests coming from the small business community. This Pandemic forced us to be quick on our feet and to do the right thing. I'm proud that even in a small way, Great Erie was able to participate in a program that makes a difference in the lives of others. That's what makes credit unions different," Young said.

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