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GULFSIDE BANK MARKS SEVEN YEARS

SARASOTA, FL (November 10, 2025)—Gulfside Bank will be seven years old on Thursday, November 13, 2025.

“I guess you can say we’ve officially made it to one in dog years” quips Dennis Murphy, President and CEO of Gulfside Bank. “All kidding aside, it’s an honor to reach this milestone. We’re grateful for all the support we’ve received from the community over the past seven years.”

Chartered in November of 2018, Gulfside Bank endured an unusual business climate in its early years. Less than 18 months after opening its doors to the Sarasota business community, the Bank entered a global pandemic which disrupted everyone’s lives and forced businesses to adopt extreme measures to ensure the safety of their employees and customers.

“COVID was tough on local businesses, but we were able to help our clients stay open and keep paying their employees,” recalls Murphy, “and as a result the Bank and our clients came out of the pandemic stronger, and we’ve been growing ever since.”

Most recently, Gulfside Bank opened their second full-service financial center in November of 2024. Located east of I-75 and south of Fruitville Road, the Bank now has the central corridor of Sarasota covered and is positioned to support the explosive growth happening in the county east of the Interstate.

“The new location is already ahead of plan,” shares Murphy, “Gary Houseworth and his team are doing an excellent job establishing Gulfside Bank as the go-to financial partner for businesses located in East County.”

Kathy Collums, Gulfside Bank’s Senior Vice President and Consumer Banking Director, is also working out of the new Fruitville East office and currently serves on the board of directors for the Lakewood Ranch Business Alliance.

“I was born and raised in Sarasota, and I’ve spent my entire career in banking,” says Collums, “and I’m happy to say that making the decision in 2022 to work with Dennis Murphy and the only locally owned and operated community bank in this town has proven to be one of the highlights of my working career.”

ABOUT GULFSIDE BANK

Gulfside Bank is a full-service community bank in Sarasota, Florida, offering a variety of retail, commercial and private banking services. With deep roots in the community, Gulfside Bank is





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locally owned and managed, and is committed to building long-lasting relationships with its clients, no matter how big or how small. For more information, visit them online at gulfsidebank.com.

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