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### *The 2020 BOLD Awards*

**Minneapolis, MN {December 2, 2019}** – Village Bank is excited to announce that we have been nominated for the Eighth Annual **BOLD** Awards, presented by the Minnesota Chapter of the Association for Corporate Growth<sup>®</sup> (ACG.) The **BOLD** Awards are designed to honor and recognize innovation, inspirational moves, bold visions and leaders that have made BOLD moves to positively grow, restructure or enhance their companies for the benefit of all stakeholders. The program celebrates the corporate leaders and teams that are behind successful mergers and acquisitions, financing and extraordinary strategies that led to sustainability, remarkable performance and/or accelerated growth in 2018/2019.

Village Bank developed the #ItTakesaVillage Entrepreneur Educational Series to ensure start-ups and small businesses have the knowledge and tools to achieve success. As a community bank committed to helping local business owners, Village Bank saw a need for educational opportunities to discuss the financial nuances of starting and running a business. Aleesha Webb, President and Vice Chairwoman at Village Bank, joined by entrepreneurs and business leaders Erin Newkirk, Amanda Brinkman, and Allison Kaplan, hosted events to discuss hard-won learnings, big ideas, and smart financial wisdom to pave the way of an entrepreneur's journey to success.

Corporate leaders and teams representing the nominees from a group of over 90 stellar organizations will be attending the **BOLD** Awards on Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2020 to network and celebrate. This event is a vivid, high-energy BOLD celebration of the businesses that grow Minnesota!

The **BOLD** Awards will feature the finalists in 5 categories; Not for Profit, Early Stage, Small & Growing, Middle Market and Large & Established. These finalists will be featured in a video vignette with interviews and testimonials showcasing their efforts and successes. The BOLD winners of each category will be announced during the program later in the evening with the BOLD-est of the BOLD winner being chosen via a real-time, live audience vote.

For media questions, contact Georgi Alexander, [events@acgmnmn.org](mailto:events@acgmnmn.org)

#### **About ACG (Association for Corporate Growth)**

Founded in 1954, ACG has 59 chapters across the globe and the network consists of over 90,000 professionals. ACG Minnesota's chapter began in 1966 and has nearly 400 members active in Minnesota's vibrant, business community. ACG Minnesota was 2015 Chapter of the Year with the Executive Director, Nicki Vincent earning the President's Award that same year. ACG's mission is to drive middle-market growth. [www.acg.org/minnesota](http://www.acg.org/minnesota)

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