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## Benjamin F. Edwards Welcomes Al Gortmaker to Grand Rapids, MI Branch

**ST. LOUIS,** Nov. 3, 2023 – St. Louis-based financial services firm <u>Benjamin F. Edwards</u> welcomes Al Gortmaker, Vice President-Investments to its Grand Rapids, MI branch, company officials announced today. Al brings six years of experience in the financial services industry. The branch is located at 99 Monroe Ave. NW, Ste. 975, Grand Rapids, MI 49503.

"We take enormous pride in welcoming this new advisor to our ever-growing Edwards family," said Tad Edwards, chairman and CEO of Benjamin F. Edwards.

As an advisor, Al values the trust his clients place in him to assist them in reaching their financial objectives.

Edwards has continued to expand its presence across the United States by adding experienced advisors to its full-service, national wealth-management firm and its registered investment advisor (RIA), Edwards Wealth Management. The firm now has a presence in 32 states.

## **About Benjamin F. Edwards**

With a legacy spanning 135 years over five generations of the Edwards family, Benjamin F. Edwards today is an entrepreneurial wealth-management enterprise welcoming client-first, full-service financial advisors to join its ranks. Advisors at Edwards seek to render solid investment advice while helping clients develop a plan to reach their goals. The growing national firm is now in 32 states with 94 locations, and over \$36 billion in assets under management. It remains true to its Golden Rule roots to the treatment of clients, financial advisors, and employees. The home office in St. Louis knows advisors by name and eschews call centers to get advisors' questions answered. Leveraging the firm's distinguished heritage and vision for the future, those who desire can become advisors of the firm's broker-dealer, Benjamin F. Edwards. Alternatively, they can choose an independent affiliation with the firm's registered investment advisor (RIA) Edwards Wealth Management. The firm's strong fiscal

foundation and timeless values enable it to be a firm of "Client-First Service Second-to-None," offering friendly support

and thoughtful, tailored investment and planning advice to its treasured clients who make it all possible.