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Benjamin F. Edwards Opens 97th Location; Fourth Branch in Alabama

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 18, 2024 – St. Louis-based financial services firm <u>Benjamin F. Edwards</u> recently opened its 97th location, this one in Inverness Center, AL, company officials announced today. The new branch welcomes two new advisors, Amy McLevaine and Jason McDowell, AAMS®. Collectively, they bring over 54 years of experience in the financial service industry, joining the firm from Wells Fargo. Also joining them is their Senior Registered Financial Client Associate, Angela Elrod.

This opening marks the firm's fourth location in Alabama and is located at 500 Corporate Parkway, Suite 125, Hoover, AL 35242. The phone number is 659-219-2812 or toll-free 833-835-6300. You can also reach them via email at amy.mclevaine@benjaminfedwards.com or jason.mcdowell@benjaminfedwards.com.

"We take enormous pride in welcoming these new advisors to our ever-growing Edwards family," said Tad Edwards, chairman and CEO of Benjamin F. Edwards. "We are equally as thrilled in adding advisors to the state of Alabama in the wonderful community of Inverness."

As an advisor, Amy is deeply committed to guiding her clients towards achieving their life goals and securing their legacy for future generations. Jason is passionate about guiding his clients towards achieving their financial goals and ensuring a smooth and secure retirement.

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 33 states.

About Benjamin F. Edwards

With a legacy spanning 137 years over six generations of the Edwards family, Benjamin F. Edwards today is an entrepreneurial wealth management enterprise welcoming client-first, full-service financial advisors to join our firm. 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 33 states with 97

locations, and over \$44 billion in assets under management. It remains true to its Golden Rule roots with regard to treatment of clients, financial advisors, employees, and all partners we work with. 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. Edwards'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. The firm has zero debt and is committed to staying independent through future generations.