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CLINTON SAVINGS BANK SUPPORTS THE ECOTARIUM AND WORCESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS ANNUAL "COUNTDOWN TO KINDERGARTEN" EVENT

(CLINTON, Mass., October 1, 2018) – Clinton Savings Bank (CSB) was proud to be a part of the fifth *Countdown to Kindergarten* event recently, hosted at the EcoTarium museum of science and nature through a partnership between the museum and the Worcester Public Schools. The event included engaging activities such as lunch tray races, story times, crosswalk safety tips, and even dental hygiene meant to ready first-time students and their families for kindergarten in a fun way. A staunch supporter of education in its local communities, Clinton Savings Bank was happy to donate 1,000 backpacks to all who attended as they went about enjoying the museum's exhibits and grounds.

"We are proud to be drivers of this important event along with our partner, the Worcester Public School District," stated Kerry Castorano, Director of Institutional Advancement at the EcoTarium. "The event would not be possible without the help of many local organizations such as Clinton Savings Bank. For nearly 200 years, the EcoTarium has actively delivered programming and curriculum that helps inspire families with opportunities to learn together."

About Clinton Savings Bank

Established in 1851, Clinton Savings Bank is among the oldest mutual community banks in Massachusetts with \$558 million in assets and a broad range of financial products for consumers and businesses. Clinton Savings Bank has built a strong reputation in the communities it serves from six full-service branches in Berlin, Bolton, Boylston, Clinton, Sterling and West Boylston. For more information, please visit clintonsavings.com, Facebook, Twitter or Instagram.

About the EcoTarium

EcoTarium is New England's leading museum of science and nature, an indoor-outdoor experience dedicated to inspiring a passion for science and nature in visitors of all ages. Founded in 1825, it has been a leader in informal science and nature education for nearly 200 years, and today welcomes more than 175,000 visitors per year. Highlights of the 45-acre campus include a museum building with three floors of interactive exhibits, the Alden Digital Planetarium: A National Geographic Theater, daily Science Discovery programs, live animal habitats, nature trails through forest and meadow, seasonal narrow-gauge railroad Explorer Express Train, and its expansive interactive outdoor exhibit, Nature Explore®. It also offers a variety of sponsorship, membership, and giving opportunities for businesses and organizations.

The EcoTarium, located at 222 Harrington Way in Worcester, Mass., is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Sundays 12 noon to 5:00 p.m. General admission is \$18 for adults, \$14 for children 2-18, \$14 for seniors 65+ and students with ID, and children under 2 are free. Planetarium shows and Explorer Express Train require an additional ticket. Parking is free. For more information, visit ecotarium.org.



Worcester Public Schools and EcoTarium volunteers enjoy handing out Clinton Savings Bank backpacks to kids for the annual *Countdown to Kindergarten* event held last month.

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