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ConnectOne Bancorp, Inc.

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**PROXY STATEMENT SUPPLEMENT
CONNECTONE BANCORP, INC.**

ConnectOne Bancorp, Inc. (the “Company”) is providing additional information regarding its solicitation of proxies for its Annual Meeting to be held on May 21, 2020 (the “Annual Meeting”), and specifically with regard to the Company’s nominees for election to the Board of Directors.

The Company utilizes Nukk-Freeman & Cerra, P.C. a labor and employment law firm, and SHIFT HR Compliance Training, LLC., a company providing human resources related educational training. Director Katherin Nukk-Freeman is a principal of Nukk-Freeman & Cerra, P.C. and a co-founder of SHIFT HR Compliance Training, LLC. The services rendered by SHIFT HR Compliance Training, LLC. are not advisory in nature, and do not involve access to sensitive company information or strategic decision making. In 2019, the Company paid Nukk-Freeman & Cerra, P.C. less than \$1,000 for legal services rendered, and the Company paid SHIFT HR Compliance Training, LLC approximately \$2,900 for generic educational services.

We therefore believe the Board’s determination that Director Nukk-Freeman is independent is well supported, and **the Board reaffirms its recommendation that shareholders vote FOR the election of Ms. Nukk-Freeman to another term on the Company’s Board.**

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