UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION **WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE **SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): December 5, 2023

Midland States Bancorp, Inc. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Illinois		001-35272		37-1233196
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)		(Commission File Number)		(IRS Employer Identification No.)
		1201 Network Ce Effingham, Illin	ois 62401	
	(Add	lress of Principal Executi	ve Offices) (Zip Code	e)
	Registrant's	telephone number, includ	ling area code: (217) 3	342-7321
		N/A		
	(Former Na	me or Former Address, it	f Changed Since Last	Report)
followi	Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-ng provisions (<i>see</i> General Instruction A.2. below		multaneously satisfy t	he filing obligation of the registrant under any of the
 □ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) □ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) □ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) □ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) □ Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: 				
	Title of each class		Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common stock, \$0.01 par value		MSBI	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC	
Depositary Shares (each representing a 1/40th interest in a share of 7.750% Fixed-Rate Reset Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A, \$2.00 par value)		MSBIP	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC	
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	merging growth company, indicate by check mark sed financial accounting standards provided pursu			rended transition period for complying with any new

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On December 5, 2023, Midland States Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that the Company's board of directors has authorized a new share repurchase program, pursuant to which the Company will be authorized to repurchase up to \$25 million of common stock during the period from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release of Midland States Bancorp, Inc., dated December 5, 2023

104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: December 5, 2023 MIDLAND STATES BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/ Douglas J. Tucker

Douglas J. Tucker

Senior Vice President and Corporate Counsel

Midland States Bancorp, Inc. Announces Authorization of New \$25 Million Stock Repurchase Program

EFFINGHAM, Ill., Dec. 05, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Midland States Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: MSBI) announced today that its Board of Directors has approved a new stock repurchase program that authorizes the Company to repurchase up to \$25 million of its common stock. The new stock repurchase program will become effective on January 1, 2024 and expires on December 31, 2024. The Company's current stock repurchase program expires on December 31, 2023 and has approximately \$7.2 million remaining under the authorization.

Jeffrey G. Ludwig, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, said, "We continue to have a balanced approach to capital deployment and the authorization of the new stock repurchase program will continue to provide us with the flexibility to make capital allocation decisions that we believe are in the best long-term interests of shareholders. We will continue to evaluate stock repurchases on a regular basis while maintaining our objective to strengthen our capital ratios to support the continued long-term growth of the Midland franchise and position the Company to effectively manage through the current period of economic uncertainty."

Stock repurchases under the Company's authorized program may be made from time to time on the open market, in privately negotiated transactions, or in any other manner that complies with applicable securities laws, at the discretion of the Company. The timing of purchases and the number of shares repurchased under the program is dependent upon a variety of factors including price, trading volume, corporate and regulatory requirements, and market conditions. The repurchase program may be suspended or discontinued at any time without prior notice.

About Midland States Bancorp, Inc.

Midland States Bancorp, Inc. is a community-based financial holding company headquartered in Effingham, Illinois, and is the sole shareholder of Midland States Bank. As of September 30, 2023, the Company had total assets of approximately \$7.98 billion, and its Wealth Management Group had assets under administration of approximately \$3.50 billion. The Company provides a full range of commercial and consumer banking products and services and business equipment financing, merchant credit card services, trust and investment management, insurance and financial planning services. For additional information, visit https://www.midlandsb.com/ or https://www.linkedin.com/company/midland-states-bank.

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