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Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond
P.O. Box 27622
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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in support of the phenomenal work SunTrust Bank is doing in the East Tennessee community.

SunTrust was founded in Knoxville in 1926 as The Bank of Knoxville, and it has supported business and consumer clients, along with area non profits like Big Brothers Big Sisters of East Tennessee ever since.

Since 2000, local SunTrust teammates, along with matching corporation/foundation support, have contributed more than \$3.8 million in cumulative funds to the United Way of Greater Knoxville and its partner agencies.

Additionally, SunTrust Bank has directly invested more than \$15,000 in Big Brothers Big Sisters of East Tennessee over the past five years. These funds make life-changing friendships between marginalized youth and caring, adult mentors.

I am confident BBBS-ETN's partnership with SunTrust will only be enhanced by the increased size and market presence through the combination with BB&T, and I look forward to growing our partnership with the greater size and scale of a merger.

With gratitude,

A solid black rectangular box redacting the signature of Brent J. Waugh.

Brent J. Waugh, CEO