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Dear Friends:

I am writing in support of the BB&T – SunTrust merger. For many years BB&T has been an active partner with the United Way of Northwest Georgia in our mission: Improving Lives. Inspiring Donors. Uniting Community. Our success would not be possible without the support of both organizations. Over 55,000 people in our two-county area benefit annually from United Way services.

Both BB&T and SunTrust run employee campaigns locally and make corporate gifts to our annual campaign. BB&T has partnered with United Way in the past in the Lighthouse service projects with our United Way Volunteer Center. BB&T has also partnered with United Way of Northwest Georgia through a grant to bring financial literacy services to our community.

Bill Davies, BB&T Market President, has been a leader with our United Way since assuming his role. He co-founded our Young Leaders Society in the fall of 2006 and Chaired the group through 2010. In 2011 Bill served as our community-wide Campaign Chair raising over \$3.3 million. Bill once again led an effort in 2012 to form a Junior Alexis de Tocqueville Society to encourage donors age 40 and under to give \$5,000 annually on their journey to becoming a full member at \$10,000 annually. Bill served on the United Way Board of Directors from 2011 – 2016, and he continues to assist each year in our annual United Way campaign.

In summary, I am pleased to support the BB&T-SunTrust merger.

Kind regards,

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Amanda Burt, President