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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

It is an honor for me to write this letter in support of both BB&T, in general, and their planned merger with Sun Trust, in specific.

I reference it as an “honor” because it is a pleasure to be able to finally offer “help” to BB&T after their years of offering help to us and the Lancaster community.

From the moment BB&T arrived on the Lancaster (PA) “scene” (the result of a buy-out of a long-standing community bank), they proved they were serious about getting engaged with the community by their commitment to volunteerism, their philanthropic support of local organizations, their launch of a fund dedicated to economic growth and their passion in serving their customers.

I am pleased to say I/the Lancaster Chamber has been the beneficiary of all these attributes, most specifically for us resulting in our BB&T Business Center, a workforce training and gathering center in our new building that was made possible for their philanthropy.

Further evidence of their community care was clear by the way they have handled the proposed merger with Sun Trust. The local bank executives have been very pro-active in sharing the news, providing appropriate updates and assuring ongoing communication throughout the process. Their actions speak volumes regarding their commitment to a smooth transition.

Their actions are encouraging in anticipation of the new, merged banking institution as they assure more of the same with their commitment to their customers, their ongoing impact on our local economy and their impactful philanthropy.

Again, I am honored to share our positive experience with the people that make up the heart of our local BB&T impact and I support their ongoing efforts to ensure success.

Sincerely,



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