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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of Y-CAP, the YMCA of Middle TN's Community Action Programs in Nashville/Davidson County in support of one of our partners, SunTrust Bank and in support of their proposed merger with BB&T. Annually Y-CAP provides academic and enrichment programs to 1200 at-risk students from kindergarten through high school at no cost to them. Bridging school, faith and family, we help students achieve the brightest future possible by closing the opportunity gap.

We depend on donors and volunteers to make this possible. Donors and volunteers like the employees at SunTrust.

Currently SunTrust Commercial Relationship Manager Jane Melrose and former SunTrust Vice President Kim Hamner are on our board and serve as effective liaisons to the company and other community partners. More than 40 SunTrust employees volunteered over 60 hours at Y-CAP in 2018; taking part in the financial simulation, *On My Own*, participating in our professional networking events, Y-CAP's Power Lunch and donating their time individually to visit, encourage and inspire students.

The SunTrust Foundation has also provided critical financial support for YCAP. Funds from the SunTrust Foundation have underwritten financial literacy education for underserved and at-risk Nashville youth for three years. In 2018, the SunTrust Foundation supported Y-CAP's integration of financial literacy into a larger focus on career readiness and workforce development for high school students. This broader focus allows Y-CAP students to apply skills gained to crucial real-life workplace situations and become more prepared for success after high school.

We are very grateful to the leadership and employees at SunTrust for their support; hundreds of students and their families in our programs have benefited from this partnership in the past and we are hopeful the connection continues well into the future.

Sincerely,

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