To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing in support of the SunTrust and BB&T merger, and am specifically writing to provide comments in support of the work that SunTrust does with Junior Achievement of the Space Coast (JASC).

To achieve success, Junior Achievement needs two things: financial investments and volunteers. In terms of financial support, SunTrust has been a partner with JASC for 30 years (back to 1999) and between SunTrust Bank, SunTrust Foundation, and SunTrust Wealth Management, has contributed almost $50,000. Just this past fall, JASC received a workforce development grant for $10,000 to continue our work preparing Brevard youth for the careers of the future. And in the works right now is a $5,000 grant to support financial literacy for middle school students.

In terms of volunteers, our most significant volunteer of course is our board member, Vice President Ted Peters. Ted's work on our board of directors has been chiefly in the area of volunteer recruitment and acting as an advocate for funding opportunities. My staff knows that they can call on Ted with a volunteer opening, and we can count on him to assemble a group of SunTrust wealth managers and retail bankers to fill classroom requests.

We truly value all our relationships with SunTrust and especially with our closest allies--Ted Peters, Tammy Paycer, and Ann Luke. I was lucky enough to speak with Florida Division President Scott Cathcart in 2017 who expressed his appreciation for the work JA does. I felt great about our continuing relationship then, and I continue to do so now moving toward the merger with BB&T.

Sincerely,

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