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Atlanta Regional Office
10 10th Street, NW, Suite 800
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Communities In Schools of Hampton Roads (CISofHR) is writing this letter in support of the work SunTrust is doing in our community. CISofHR and the SunTrust Foundation have been working collaboratively in the Hampton Roads community since 2017. Our mission is to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life.

At Communities In Schools, we see potential in every student, and we're committed to helping them see it too. We are in K-12 schools every day, weaving a network of support around at-risk students and working hand-in-hand with their schools, families and communities to create access to the resources and opportunities that help them overcome life's barriers and reach their full potential.

At CISofHR we know that there is no one-size-fits-all approach to changing students' lives. That's why our evidenced based model integrates a variety of supports to help students develop the social, emotional, and academic competencies that help them overcome barriers to success. At every CIS school, our site coordinators: provide a variety of support, across 3 different tiers, to help as many students as we can. With support from the SunTrust Foundation, CISofHR has been able to provide and maintain full-time site coordination at Granby High School.

Mark Johnson, Vice President & Community Development Manager, SunTrust Bank, and Charity Volman, President/South Hampton Roads, SunTrust Bank have been exceptionally supportive, influential, and engaged in the involvement of what we are doing in the community to enhance the lives of our students. Additionally, they've provided a number of volunteers to provide financial literacy programs at some of our schools, they've allowed our board members to use their office space, and they've connected me with a number of community partners.

We are confident that the merge between SunTrust Bank and BB&T will impact and reinforce our relationship. While allowing both of our organizations to reach additional students that need our services throughout Hampton Roads. Thank you for letting us share the impact that you have had on our kids and we value the role Mr. Johnson and Ms. Volman play in our community.

Sincerely,

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