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To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Goodwill of North Georgia, I offer this letter of support for the SunTrust Bank and BB&T merger. Goodwill of North Georgia has benefited for several years from banking services being provided by both SunTrust and BB&T. While I am confident that your regulatory review process will reveal the impact that SunTrust Bank has made through community involvement and business partnerships, I wanted to share a few examples for your consideration.

Goodwill of North Georgia's long-standing mission is to put people to work. We rely on business partners to help us prepare job seekers for work by developing critical skills through our numerous training programs. SunTrust has partnered with us over the last several years to volunteer in our mock job interview and resume writing programs as well as a few of our financial literacy courses.

Like most nonprofit organizations, Goodwill of North Georgia relies on support from donors and grant makers to deliver our programs and services to job seekers throughout our 45-county territory in north Georgia. In 2015, the SunTrust Foundation awarded Goodwill of North Georgia a \$200,000 grant to support the building of our 13th career center located in Decatur, Georgia. This center serves as a shared resource and training hub for all Goodwill career centers. Since our opening in the summer of 2016, we have served 16,140 job seekers.

Our strong partnership with SunTrust Bank leaves me with no doubt that a merger with BB&T will only multiply the financial institution's ability to serve customers and communities even more.

Sincerely,


Keith T. Parker
President and CEO
Goodwill of North GA