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TO WHOM IT CONCERN:

I am delighted to provide written comments on behalf of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance Day Association, Jr., in support of the work SunTrust Bank and their merger application to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. changed the world with his mission of peace and unity. It is this message we honor. We endeavor to continue working in his memory to eradicate injustice and make our world a better place. The Association is a 501(c)(3) organization that has celebrated Dr. King's birth for the past 40 years. Our mission is to serve our fellow man and to ensure that Dr. King's goal of eradicating poverty and injustice prevails. Annually, we offer 10 all-inclusive community-wide activities. Over the years our celebrations have grown to be one of the largest in the nation.

We truly value our partnership and the role that SunTrust has played in the successful history of the King Association and look forward to working with you in the future.

For more than twenty years SunTrust Bank and Mrs. Stephanie Johnson has served as a sponsor of our annual King celebration. She has always done an excellent job of assisting us in completing Dr. King's dream by bringing together various elements of the community together in unity and to serve the interests of her almost singular focus: the underprivileged children of our community. She displayed excellent communication skills, great organization, and a tremendous capacity to consistently assist us in delivering high quality programs, during our annual celebration.

Above all else, Stephanie has always exemplified sound character and great personal integrity. I believe her to be an invaluable asset to SunTrust and that you are very fortunate to have an employee like her. She possesses an all too rare willingness to serve the interests of others. We look forward to SunTrust and BB&T together becoming even more committed active community partners.

If you have any questions, or if I may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best Regards,

Carolyn S. Blackshear, President