



CITY OF WILSON

North Carolina

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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Dear Sir or Madam,

Since its founding in Wilson, North Carolina, in 1872, BB&T has served as a vital part of the local economy. Through the years the City of Wilson has relied on BB&T to finance city projects, serve as our financial institution of record, and provide leadership in both civic and community organizations. BB&T management provides valuable leadership on several city boards, the Wilson Downtown Development Corporation, the Wilson Chamber of Commerce, Wilson Economic Development Council, Wilson Forward and many other local organizations. Additionally, the BB&T Lighthouse Project volunteers many hours each year to our Police Athletic League by mentoring and assisting youth in a variety of athletic and cultural programs.

The City of Wilson is unique in North Carolina in that we provide a robust utility infrastructure, including water, sewer, electric, natural gas and broadband services to our residents. These capabilities, coupled with our location near the Research Triangle Region, provide us with an incredible opportunity to serve as a hub of Smart City innovation. We have created a strategic plan to grow our city in this direction, and see BB&T/SunTrust as partners in Wilson's future innovation economy.

We are optimistic about the proposed merger of BB&T and SunTrust and the future of the combined organization in Wilson. Wilson's employee count has tripled since BB&T's last significant "merger of equals" with Southern National Bank. We support the growth of BB&T and SunTrust and believe the combined entity will be positive for the community.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this matter. If I can provide more information, please do not hesitate to ask.



Mayor C. Bruce Rose
City of Wilson, North Carolina