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Committee:

I am supportive of the merger. Clearly the business case makes sense and is in the best interest of Atlanta as a thriving business community.

As the CEO of a large, not-for-profit organization, I believe in the merger also. Both banks are committed to the economic well-being of families. Together, they can bring a stronger implementation of their support for programs.

We know SunTrust through a 50+ year banking relationship. Our Volunteer Service Center serves families of 32,000 Atlanta children and our 1,600 acre beautiful North Georgia mountain camp were made possible by financing utilizing low-cost, tax-exempt bonds. Our organization benefitted from the more recent refunding of that debt to secure an even lower interest rate for the Atlanta Area Council.

Many charitable grants have been provided over the decades through the SunTrust Foundation and monetary contributions made by current and retired SunTrust employees.

The important volunteer leadership roles fulfilled by SunTrust associates have guided our Board of Directors and also led as Cubmasters and Scoutmasters in service to youth.

Recently Allison Dukes' lead our highly successful 2018 Golden Eagle Friends of Scouting Luncheon. Previously, our game-changing capital campaign benefited from the efforts of Jenner Wood and Joe Arnold in key leadership roles. Strong leadership has been consistent as evidenced that our first ever charitable golf tournament was started by Joe nearly 20 years ago.

We are confident that the newly created bank will continue opportunities for the Atlanta Area Council to bring quality programs to Atlanta families. Working together, we can keep the quality of life ever-improving in Atlanta.

I am highly supportive of the merger.

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