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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL MESSAGE] I oppose the BB&T-SunTrust Bank Merger and here"s why. . .

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I oppose the BB&T-Suntrust bank merger. The move to consolidate these two entities will result in a serious job loss, make the economic system more vulnerable to collapse overall, and will deepen recessional trends in the system presently. Ever since the loss of Glass-Steagall, we have been losing access to credit for micro-, small- and medium scale business with devastating consequences for a huge amount of Americans. What we should be doing is moving capital to the bottom of the economy: small business, essential infrastructure, and survival subsidies for those most unable to care for themselves adequately. This is why I support Keith Ellison's national county=based economic development plan (and I hope he doesn't forget those less fortunate than him and less able to take care of themselves. Sure, public banks are a great idea, but it is the quality and integrity of those managing the money that make sure that no one is left behind.