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It is with pleasure to write in support of the merger of SunTrust Bank and BB&T. While neither I nor my nonprofit agency bank with either organization, we have been the recipient of charitable support through their foundations. Our efforts at Community Action are directed at supporting low income families with the goal of putting them on a pathway to prosperity. Our programs are successful more than 40% of the time with our clients. With the support of great partners like SunTrust and BB&T, we are able to expand our services beyond just those living in poverty, but to the working poor as well.

Together we can all support smart economic development efforts that enable more residents to be banked and pursue and achieve the American Dream.

Best -

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