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We are a real estate investor and developer in Northwest Georgia and BB& T has been an integral part of our growth through financing, advisory, and banking operations. Our investments, with the direct assistance of Bill Davies and BB&T, we have been able to make a positive economic impact in our community; one of the communities hit hardest by the recent recession and most in need of rejuvenation. Additionally, BB&T, from leadership to line staff, have committed their own time and resources in support of economic and quality of life development in our region.

We fully support the merger and believe that the expanded bandwidth of the bank will be a big benefit to our community.



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