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To: BankMergerApplication

Subject: [EXTERNAL MESSAGE]Support for SunTrust and BB&T Merger

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To Whom in May Concern:

I'm writing to express my support and enthusiasm for the proposed merger of SunTrust and BB&T Bank. Both organizations are valued partners in the Triangle region, who over the years have contributed time, talent, and resources to help make North Carolina a better place to live.

I have been privileged to serve on the SunTrust Advisory Board for over two years. During my time with the Board I've witnessed the amazing philanthropic support SunTrust is well known in our local community, and I feel strongly that its combined strength with BB&T will only amplify the benefits local groups have experienced through SunTrust's support and partnership.

Beyond the benefits to our local community, this merger represents forward-thinking innovation, creating a 21st century institution that is relevant, contemporary, and progressive. Customers and communities alike will benefit from the enhanced services and capacities this partnership will provide. Moreover, the jobs and opportunities that will come available will be a great win for so many in our local markets and across our state.

The benefits this singular institution can provide are many. I am confident that the merger will help realize success for individuals and communities alike, and I appreciate the opportunity to express my support.

Thank you,

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