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FDIC APPROVES ASSUMPTION OF DEPOSITS OF
FIRST COMMERCIAL BANK OF FLORIDA, BOCA RATON, FLORIDA

The Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has approved the assumption of the deposits and secured liabilities of First Commercial Bank of Florida, Boca Raton, Florida, by Bank of North America, Miami, Florida. The failed bank's three offices will reopen on Monday, December 17, 1990, as branches of Bank of North America, and its depositors automatically will become depositors of the assuming bank.

First Commercial Bank of Florida, with total assets of about \$169.7 million, was closed on Friday, December 14, 1990, by Gerald Lewis, State Comptroller, and the FDIC was named receiver.

Bank of North America will assume about \$162.2 million in 6,700 deposit accounts and will pay the FDIC a purchase premium of \$1,500,000. It also will purchase approximately \$111.8 million of the failed bank's assets, including \$2.2 million of the bank's consumer installment loans.

To facilitate the transaction the FDIC will advance \$49.1 million to the assuming bank and will retain assets of the failed bank with a book value of \$57.9 million.

The Board of Directors approved the deposit assumption under its authority to do so whenever it determines that such a transaction will reduce the potential loss to the FDIC.

The FDIC will recover a portion of its outlay through the liquidation of assets not transferred to the assuming bank. In this respect, the FDIC notes that its claim will have priority over the claims of nondepositor creditors and shareholders of the closed bank.

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