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FDIC APPROVES DEPOSIT ASSUMPTION OF WESTPOINT NATIONAL BANK, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

The Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has approved the assumption of the deposits and fully secured liabilities of Westpoint National Bank, San Antonio, Texas, by The Frost National Bank of San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas.

The failed bank's sole office will reopen on Friday, February 17, 1989, as a branch of The Frost National Bank of San Antonio and its depositors automatically will become depositors of the assuming bank, subject to approval by the appropriate court.

Westpoint National Bank, with total assets of about \$11.3 million, was closed on Thursday, February 16, 1989, by Dean S. Marriott, Senior Deputy Comptroller of the Currency, and the FDIC was named receiver.

The Frost National Bank of San Antonio will assume about \$11.6 million in 1,700 deposit accounts and will pay the FDIC a premium of \$25,050. It also will purchase approximately \$6.7 million of the failed bank's assets, including \$530,000 of the bank's small loans.

To facilitate the transaction the FDIC will advance \$4.8 million to the assuming bank and will retain assets of the failed bank with a book value of \$4.6 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 shareholders of the closed bank.

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