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FDIC APPROVES DEPOSIT ASSUMPTION OF LA MARQUE BANK, LA MARQUE, TEXAS

The Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has approved the assumption of the deposit liabilities of La Marque Bank, La Marque, Texas, by The First Bank of La Marque, La Marque, Texas.

The failed bank's sole office will reopen on Friday, September 11, 1987, as a branch of The First Bank of La Marque and its depositors automatically will become depositors of the assuming bank, subject to approval by the appropriate court.

La Marque Bank, with total assets of \$5.6 million, was closed on Thursday, September 10, 1987, by Kenneth W. Littlefield, Texas Banking Commissioner, and the FDIC was named receiver.

The First Bank of La Marque will assume about \$6.1 million in 1,800 deposit accounts and has agreed to pay the FDIC a purchase premium of \$155,000. It also will purchase certain of the failed bank's loans and other assets for \$4.8 million. To facilitate the transaction, the FDIC will advance about \$1.2 million to the assuming bank and will retain assets of the failed bank with a book value of about \$800 thousand.

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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