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FDIC TRANSFERS INSURED DEPOSITS OF HOME STATE BANK, TRENT, TEXAS

The Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has approved the transfer of insured deposits and fully secured or preferred deposits of Home State Bank, Trent, Texas, to The Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Merkel, Merkel, Texas. The failed bank's sole office will not reopen. Depositors will have access to their funds on Friday, April 8, 1988, at The Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Merkel in Merkel.

The Board of Directors decided to arrange an insured deposit transfer because no bids were received for a purchase and assumption transaction.

Home State Bank, with total assets of \$5.9 million, was closed on Thursday, April 7, 1988, by Kenneth W. Littlefield, Texas Banking Commissioner, and the FDIC was named receiver.

At the time the bank closed, its deposits totaled about \$5.8 million in 2,500 deposit accounts including \$42,000 in three accounts that exceeded the federal insurance limit of \$100,000. Uninsured depositors and nondepositor creditors will share proportionately with the FDIC in the proceeds realized from the liquidation of the failed bank's assets.

Deposits in the failed bank up to the statutory insurance limit of \$100,000 will be available to their owners on Friday, April 8, 1988. In the interim, checks drawn on the failed bank's accounts, up to the insurance limit, will continue to be honored.

Insured depositors in the failed bank can automatically continue to conduct their banking transactions with the acquiring bank. However, they

should visit the acquiring bank during the next several weeks to discuss the continuation of their banking relationship.

Administration of the transferred insured deposits will be funded by an equivalent cash payment from the FDIC. The acquiring bank is paying the FDIC a premium of \$10,750 for the right to receive the transferred deposits, and will purchase approximately \$3.2 million of the failed bank's assets.

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