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FDIC APPROVES DEPOSIT ASSUMPTION OF BANK OF THE MID-SOUTH, BOSSIER CITY, LOUISIANA

The Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has approved the assumption of the deposits and fully secured liabilities of Bank of the Mid-South, Bossier City, Louisiana, by Red River Valley Bank, Bossier City, Louisiana.

The failed bank's sole office will reopen on Friday, August 26, 1988, as a branch of Red River Valley Bank and its depositors automatically will become depositors of the assuming bank, subject to approval by the appropriate court.

Bank of the Mid-South, with total assets of about \$31.5 million, was closed on Thursday, August 25, 1988, by Fred C. Dent, Jr., Louisiana Commissioner of Financial Institutions, and the FDIC was named receiver.

Red River Valley Bank will assume about \$32.4 million in 3,900 deposit accounts and will purchase \$30.4 million of the failed bank's assets at a discount of \$3,988,000.

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 transaction will result in a lower cost to the FDIC than if the assets were held and liquidated in receivership. Additionally, because the assets and deposits will be administered by Red River Valley Bank, the failed bank's customers will have the benefit of continuous, uninterrupted service.

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