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Southern States Bank, Anniston, Alabama, Assumes All of the Deposits of Alabama Trust Bank, National Association, Sylacauga, Alabama

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Alabama Trust Bank, National Association, Sylacauga, Alabama, was closed today by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, which appointed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) as receiver. To protect the depositors, the FDIC entered into a purchase and assumption agreement with Southern States Bank, Anniston, Alabama, to assume all of the deposits of Alabama Trust Bank, National Association.

The sole branch of Alabama Trust Bank, National Association will reopen during its normal business hours beginning Saturday as a branch of Southern States Bank. Depositors of Alabama Trust Bank, National Association will automatically become depositors of Southern States Bank. Deposits will continue to be insured by the FDIC, so there is no need for customers to change their banking relationship in order to retain their deposit insurance coverage up to applicable limits. Customers of Alabama Trust Bank, National Association should continue to use their existing branch until they receive notice from Southern States Bank that it has completed systems changes to allow other Southern States Bank branches to process their accounts as well.

This evening and over the weekend, depositors of Alabama Trust Bank, National Association can access their money by writing checks or using ATM or debit cards. Checks drawn on the bank will continue to be processed. Loan customers should continue to make their payments as usual.

As of March 31, 2012, Alabama Trust Bank, National Association had approximately \$51.6 million in total assets and \$45.1 million in total deposits. In addition to assuming



Congress created the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in 1933 to restore public confidence in the nation's banking system. It promotes the safety and soundness of these institutions by identifying, monitoring and addressing risks to which they are exposed. The FDIC receives no federal tax dollars — insured financial institutions fund its operations.

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all of the deposits of the failed bank, Southern States Bank agreed to purchase essentially all of the assets.

Customers with questions about today's transaction should call the FDIC toll-free at 1-800-405-8124. The phone number will be operational this evening until 9:00 p.m., Central Daylight Time (CDT); on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., CDT; on Sunday from noon to 6:00 p.m., CDT; on Monday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., CDT; and thereafter from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., CDT. Interested parties also can visit the FDIC's Web site at <http://www.fdic.gov/bank/individual/failed/alabamatrust.html>.

The FDIC estimates that the cost to the Deposit Insurance Fund (DIF) will be \$8.9 million. Compared to other alternatives, Southern States Bank's acquisition was the least costly resolution for the FDIC's DIF. Alabama Trust Bank, National Association is the 24th FDIC-insured institution to fail in the nation this year, and the first in Alabama. The last FDIC-insured institution closed in the state was Superior Bank, Birmingham, on April 15, 2011.
