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FDIC APPROVES ASSUMPTION OF DEPOSITS OF CITY BANK AND TRUST, CLAREMONT, NEW HAMPSHIRE

The Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has approved the assumption of the deposits and secured liabilities of City Bank and Trust, Claremont, New Hampshire, by First NH Bank, Concord, New Hampshire.

City Bank and Trust, with total assets of \$117.8 million, was closed on Friday, March 29, 1991, by A. Roland Roberge, New Hampshire Bank Commissioner, and the FDIC was named receiver.

The failed bank's two offices will reopen on Monday, April 1, 1991, as branches of First NH Bank, and its depositors automatically will become depositors of the assuming bank.

First NH Bank will assume about \$119.5 million in 6,500 deposit accounts and has agreed to pay the FDIC a purchase premium of \$94,000. It also will purchase \$6.5 million of the failed bank's assets. To facilitate the transaction, the FDIC will advance about \$112.9 million to the assuming bank and will retain assets of the failed bank with a book value of about \$111.3 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.

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