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FDIC APPROVES ASSUMPTION OF DEPOSITS OF
COMMONWEALTH BANK, ARLINGTON, TEXAS

The Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has approved the assumption of the deposits and fully secured and preferred liabilities of Commonwealth Bank, Arlington, Texas, by Comerica Bank - Texas, Dallas, Texas. The failed bank's two offices will reopen on Friday, October 6, 1989, as branches of Comerica Bank - Texas, and its depositors automatically will become depositors of the assuming bank.

Commonwealth Bank, with total assets of about $79.1 million, was closed on Thursday, October 5, 1989, by Kenneth W. Littlefield, Texas Banking Commissioner, and the FDIC was named receiver.

Comerica Bank - Texas will assume about $77.8 million in 23,100 deposit accounts and will pay the FDIC a purchase premium of $2,377,000. It also will purchase approximately $54.4 million of the failed bank's assets, including $3.1 million of the bank's small loans.

To facilitate the transaction the FDIC will advance $21.0 million to the assuming bank and will retain assets of the failed bank with a book value of $24.7 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. 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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