FDIC APPROVES DEPOSIT ASSUMPTION OF
BEAR CREEK NATIONAL BANK, BEAR CREEK, TEXAS

The Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has approved the assumption of the deposit liabilities of Bear Creek National Bank, Bear Creek, Texas, by Jersey Village Bank, Houston, Texas.

The failed bank's two offices will reopen on Friday, January 30, 1987, as branches of Jersey Village Bank and its depositors automatically will become depositors of the assuming bank, subject to approval by the appropriate court.

Bear Creek National Bank, with total assets of $26.2 million, was closed on Thursday, January 29, 1987, by Dean S. Marriott, Senior Deputy Comptroller of the Currency, and the FDIC was named receiver.

Jersey Village Bank will assume about $25.6 million in 5,500 deposit accounts and has agreed to pay the FDIC a purchase premium of $260,500. It also will purchase certain of the failed bank's loans and other assets for $21.1 million. To facilitate the transaction, the FDIC will advance approximately $4.2 million to the assuming bank and will retain assets of the failed bank with a book value of about $5.1 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 Board made such a finding in this case because of the premium paid by Jersey Village Bank.

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 shareholders of the closed bank.

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