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ST. LOUIS — The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, acting pursuant to delegated authority for the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, today approved the application of The Templar Fund, Inc., St. Louis, Missouri, to acquire up to an additional 4.0 percent of the outstanding voting shares of Truman Bank, St. Louis, Missouri, for pro forma direct ownership of up to 4.25 percent.

By virtue of The Templar Fund, Inc.'s existing 28.60 percent ownership interest in Truman Bancorp, Inc., St. Louis, Missouri, which owns 60.07 percent of the voting shares of Truman Bank, the proposed acquisition will result in The Templar Fund, Inc.'s combined direct and indirect ownership of up to 21.43 percent of Truman Bank's stock.

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