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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 applications by Union Planters Corporation, Memphis, Tennessee, and its existing wholly owned subsidiary, Capital Bancorporation, Inc., Memphis, Tennessee, to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Financial Bancshares, Inc., St. Louis, Missouri, and thereby indirectly acquire its five subsidiary banks.

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