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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 notification of Gideon Bancshares Company, Dexter, Missouri, to acquire First Midwest Bank of Chaffee, Chaffee, Missouri

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