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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 by First United Bancshares, Inc., El Dorado, Arkansas, to acquire, through merger, 100 percent of the voting shares of First Republic Bancshares, Inc., Rayville, Louisiana, thereby indirectly acquiring its subsidiary bank, First Republic Bank, Rayville, Louisiana.

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