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AMERIS BANCORP ACQUIRES 18 BANKING LOCATIONS IN FLORIDA AND GEORGIA

(MOULTRIE, GA) June 15, 2015: Ameris Bancorp, the parent company of Ameris Bank, is pleased to announce that the acquisition of 18 Bank of America banking centers throughout southern Georgia and northern Florida has been completed.

The Bank of America locations acquired include branches in Albany (three locations), Dublin, Fitzgerald, Hinesville, Moultrie, Thomasville, Tifton and Waycross, Georgia, as well as banking centers in Blountstown, Cross City, Defuniak Springs, High Springs, Jasper, Lake City (two locations) and Live Oak, Florida.

“Acquiring these locations increased our customer base in the bank’s existing footprint, and we are excited for the addition of several new markets in Georgia and Florida. This opportunity continues to enhance banking services for valued customers, talented employees and the profile of our Company,” states Edwin W. Hortman, Jr., President and CEO of Ameris Bancorp. He continues, “Ameris Bank is a community bank, rich in history with strong values, a passion for excellent customer service, and a belief in the power of our communities. As always, we remain focused on our customers, being attentive to their questions, needs and goals.”

This acquisition increases Ameris Bank’s total assets to approximately \$5.4 billion. Ameris Bank now has 104 full service banking locations, in addition to 8 mortgage only locations throughout its Southeastern footprint.

Ameris Bank is headquartered in Moultrie, Georgia, with locations across the Southeast. The parent company, Ameris Bancorp, is listed on NASDAQ under the symbol ABCB. For more information about Ameris Bank, visit amerisbank.com.

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