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**NEW MORTGAGE LENDING DIVISION
AT FIRST UNITED SECURITY BANK**

THOMASVILLE, AL – A new mortgage lending division is now part of First United Security Bank’s lineup of services. Allen Hamilton and Tara Robison, both formerly of Amercan Mortgage based in Thomasville, are the team the bank has placed to lead in this effort. The new division is located inside First United Security Bank’s location at 33445 Highway 43 North. A welcome reception with refreshments and door prizes is planned for Friday, March 6, 2009 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

According to Executive Vice President Alton McRee, the seasoned mortgage team was selected because of their expertise and long-term relationships with more than 700 homeowners. “Together, they have the experience we need to move this new division of the bank toward success at a fast pace,” McRee said. “With rates lower than they’ve been in years, many are looking for ways to lessen the number of years or payment amount on their current mortgage by refinancing while others are planning to build or purchase. We will be here to help.”

Since 2002, Hamilton was a principal owner of American Mortgage, and is a native of Thomasville. He holds degrees from the University of West Alabama (B.S., 2000) and Thomasville High School (1994). He is a member of Thomasville Baptist Church. “It is a real privilege to be associated with such a stable institution during trying economic times,” Hamilton said. Hamilton is offering free mortgage evaluation/review to discuss best refinancing or homeownership options based on the individual or family’s current situation.

Robison worked directly with Hamilton for seven years as a loan processor at American Mortgage and will continue in this capacity. She is a native of Fulton, and a graduate of Grove Hill Academy. She has also attended Alabama Southern Community College. Among other

accomplishments, Robison is sponsor for the Pee Wee Cheerleaders at Clarke Preparatory School, and is a member of Liberty Baptist Church. She has one son, Jacob (7). “Please drop by our welcome reception on March 6, or any time. I look forward to seeing old friends and beginning new relationships as we meet homebuyers’ needs in our new environment.” Robison said.

The new mortgage lending division team at the bank may be contacted by calling (334) 636-5429, or by email (ahamilton@firstusbank.com or trobison@firstusbank.com) .

Established in 1952, First United Security Bank serves Clarke, Bibb, Choctaw, Jefferson, Shelby, Tuscaloosa, and Washington Counties through its 19 offices in Brent, Butler, Calera, Centreville, Coffeeville, Columbiana, Fulton, Gilbertown, Grove Hill, Harpersville, Jackson, McCalla, Thomasville, Tuscaloosa and Woodstock. The bank holds \$669 million in assets, is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and is an Equal Housing Lender. For more information, visit the bank’s website at: www.firstusbank.com. Or write to: First United Security Bank, P.O. Box 249, Thomasville, AL 36784.