



— Better Together —



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Customers of First State Bank:

I would like to share some exciting news with you. First State Bank and Shelby County State Bank, headquartered in Harlan, have signed a merger agreement that will result in an expanded branch and ATM network, with increased convenience for the customers of both banks. We expect regulatory approval of this merger to be confirmed later this year.

First State Bank will continue to operate as usual, and will become “a division of Shelby County State Bank” prior to a system conversion targeted for mid-2022. In the meantime, you will continue to work with the same team of bankers you know and trust. There will be no changes to your accounts at FSB prior to the system conversion. Over the next few months, we will provide you with regular updates about your accounts.

Prior to reaching this agreement, I had made the decision to retire this year, but will be involved in guiding and assisting with the transition. All of us at FSB look forward to this great opportunity to grow and serve you even better.

We share with SCSB a proud history and great reputation, along with our values and commitment to the communities we serve

Thank you for being our customer – your loyalty is much appreciated. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wayne Nielsen'.

Wayne Nielsen
CEO