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***Union Bank Introduces Staff Members of Littleton Main Street Office***

**Morrisville, VT** – Ken Gibbons, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Union Bank is pleased to announce the staff members for the newly acquired branch located at 76 Main Street, Littleton, NH. Tracy Ash has been promoted to Assistant Treasurer and Branch Manager and will lead the team. Virginia Locke is Assistant Vice President and Retail and Consumer Loan Officer. Their supporting staff consists of Kimberly Gaffney, Head Teller; Richard Deming, Personal Banker; and Tellers Leah Smith, Caren Kelley and Jen Moulton.

Tracy Ash is responsible for promoting efficient and profitable operations, for bringing superior customer service to the Littleton area and for business development. Previously employed by Northway Bank, Ash was a Banking Center Manager for the Littleton office. Prior to that she was employed by Connecticut River Bank, N.A. as a Commercial Lender for the Northern Region. She attended Blue Mountain Union School in Wells River, Vermont and obtained her Paralegal Certification with continuing legal education provided by Ransmeier Law Office. She has taken varied courses throughout her career including Global Cash Flow from the Risk Management Association and Financial Accounting from the Center for Financial Training.

“Speaking on behalf of my staff and myself, we are pleased to be working for Union Bank and looking forward to providing our existing and new customers with excellent customer service,” states Ash.

Virginia M. Locke is responsible for the origination and closing of residential and consumer loans. She was previously employed with Northway Bank for the past 14 years and with other banks for 35 years prior. Mrs. Locke is originally from Lyndonville, VT and lives in Bath, NH. She and her husband have 5 children, 10 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. She is on the North Country Board of REALTORS® and Affiliate Committee as well as the Northeastern VT Board of REALTORS®. She enjoys camping, fishing, boating and hunting game such as Moose, Bear, Deer, Pheasant and Partridge, as well as attending her grandchildren’s baseball and softball games and spending time with family and friends.

The Main Street branch is Union Bank’s second branch in Littleton (Union Bank has a conveniently located office at 263 Dells Road) and is just one of three branches Union Bank has recently acquired in New Hampshire. The other two are located in Groveton and North Woodstock. Increasing the footprint in this geographic area has been a goal of the Bank. Union Bank is a full-service bank and leader in business and personal lending. The hometown nature of these areas is very similar in character to the Bank’s territory in Vermont. The services and philosophy of Union Bank match the needs and desires for banking services in these towns.

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*Left to Right: Virginia Locke, Kimberly Gaffney, Caren Kelley, Leah Smith, Jen Moulton, Tracy Ash, Richard Deming*

Union Bank, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Union Bankshares, Inc. (UNB, traded on the NASDAQ Exchange), has been helping people buy homes and local businesses create jobs in area communities since 1891. Headquartered in Morrisville, VT, Union Bank is a full service bank offering deposit, loan, trust and commercial banking services throughout northern Vermont and northwestern New Hampshire. Union Bank has earned an outstanding reputation for residential lending programs and is an SBA Preferred Lender.

Proud to be one of the few community banks serving Vermont and New Hampshire, Union Bank maintains a strong commitment to traditional values. In particular, Union Bank is dedicated to providing genuine customer service and community support, donating tens of thousands of dollars to local nonprofits annually. These values—combined with financial expertise, quality products and the latest technology—make Union Bank the premier choice for your banking services, both personal and commercial. Union Bank currently maintains 18 banking offices and 32 ATMs. Member FDIC. Equal Housing Lender.

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