

**STATE OF ILLINOIS  
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION  
DIVISION OF BANKING**

In the Matter of	)	
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MERIDIAN BANK	)	
ELDRED, ILLINOIS	)	2008-DB-58
	)	
an Illinois chartered bank	)	

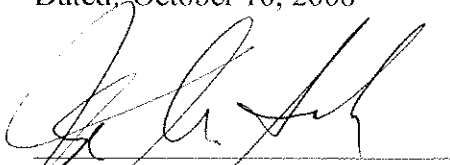
**NOTICE**

The Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, Division of Banking ("Division"), with respect to Meridian Bank, Eldred, Illinois, finds as follows:

1. The capital is of Bank is impaired.
2. The Bank is conducting its business in an unsafe and unsound manner.
3. An emergency exists which may result in serious losses to the depositors of Bank.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 52 of the Illinois Banking Act, 205 ILCS 5/52, at 5:00 p.m., October 10, 2008, the Division takes possession and control of Meridian Bank, Eldred, Illinois ("Bank") and its assets for the purpose of reorganization or liquidation through receivership.

Dated: October 10, 2008

  
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Jorge A. Solis  
Director