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NATURE OF CONVEYANCE:	MERGER		
EFFECTIVE DATE:	01/01/2023		
CONVEYING PARTY DATA			
Name	Formerly	Execution Date	Entity Type
GrandSouth Bank		01/01/2023	Corporation: SOUTH CAROLINA
RECEIVING PARTY DATA			
Name:	First Bank		
Street Address:	300 SW Broad Street		
City:	Southern Pines		
State/Country:	NORTH CAROLINA		
Postal Code:	28387		
Entity Type:	Corporation: NORTH CAROLINA		
PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 2			
Property Type	Number	Word Mark	
Registration Number:	3075606	CAR-BUCKS	
Registration Number:	4894823	GRANDSOUTH BANK	
CORRESPONDENCE DATA			
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

ARTICLES OF MERGER
OF
GRANDSOUTH BANK
INTO
FIRST BANK


Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute Sections 53C-4-1(b), 53C-7-201, 53C-7-203, 55-11-05(a) and 55-11-07, as applicable, the undersigned does hereby submit the following Articles of Merger as the surviving business entity in a merger between two or more business entities.

1. The name of the surviving commercial bank entity is: First Bank, a commercial bank organized under the laws of the State of North Carolina.
2. The street and mailing address of the surviving entity is: 300 SW Broad Street, Southern Pines, North Carolina 28387.
3. The name of the merged bank entity is: GrandSouth Bank, a commercial bank organized under the laws of the State of South Carolina.
4. The street and mailing address of the merged entity is: 381 Halton Road, Greenville, South Carolina 29607.
5. If the surviving business entity is a domestic business entity, the text of each amendment, if any, to the Articles of Incorporation, Articles of Organization, or Certificate of Limited Partnership within the Plan of Merger is attached. Not applicable.
6. A Plan of Merger has been duly approved in the manner required by law by each of the business entities participating in the merger.
7. These Articles of Merger will be effective as of 12:02 o'clock, a.m., Eastern Time, on the 1st day of January, 2023.

[SIGNATURE APPEARS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE]

In Witness Whereof, these Articles of Merger are signed as of the 19th day of December, 2022.

FIRST BANK

By: 
Michael G. Mayer
President and Chief Executive Officer

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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF BANKS

**CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
FOR ARTICLES OF MERGER**

First Bank, Southern Pines, Moore County, North Carolina, a North Carolina state-chartered bank, and GrandSouth Bank, Greenville, Greenville County, South Carolina, a South Carolina state-chartered bank, have submitted to me as Chief Deputy Commissioner of Banks for the State of North Carolina, Articles of Merger between the said institutions for the purpose of merging GrandSouth Bank into First Bank with the surviving institution being First Bank.

I hereby certify that these Articles of Merger were approved by the North Carolina Office of the Commissioner of Banks on the 13th day of October, 2022. Authority to file the Articles of Merger is, therefore, granted.

This the 29th day of November, 2022.

Stephanie R. White

Stephanie R. White
Chief Deputy Commissioner of Banks

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