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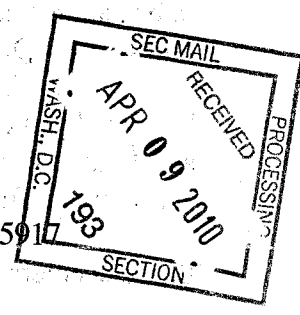
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended  
December 31, 2009

Commission File No. 000-25917



UNITED BANCORPORATION OF ALABAMA, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

63-0833573  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

P.O. Drawer 8, Atmore, Alabama 36504  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (251) 446-6000

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: None

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

Class A Common Stock, Par Value \$.01 Per Share

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes \_\_\_ No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 of Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes \_\_\_ No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Sections 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.  
Yes  No \_\_\_

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).  
Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. [X]

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer \_\_\_\_\_

Accelerated filer \_\_\_\_\_

Non-accelerated filer \_\_\_\_\_

Smaller reporting company X

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act).  
Yes \_\_\_ No X

Aggregate market value of voting and nonvoting common equity held by non affiliates as of March 30, 2010 was \$31,187,655 computed by reference to the price reported to the registrant at which the common equity was last sold on or prior to that date and using beneficial ownership of stock rules adopted pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to exclude voting stock owned by directors and executive officers, some of whom might not be held to be affiliates upon judicial determination.

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>Par Value</u>	<u>Outstanding at March 30, 2010</u>	
Class A.....\$01		2,279,669	Shares*
Class B.....\$01		0	Shares

\*Excludes 109,323 shares held as treasury stock.

#### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the Registrant's Proxy Statement relating to the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders are incorporated by reference in Part III of this report.

## PART I

### **ITEM 1. BUSINESS**

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

When used or incorporated by reference herein, the words "anticipate", "estimate", "expect", "project", "target", "goal", and similar expressions, are intended to identify forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933. Such forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including those set forth below under "Risk Factors" and elsewhere herein, as well as the possibilities of (i) increases in competitive pressures in the banking industry, particularly with respect to community banks; (ii) costs or difficulties in generating deposits or loans to counter cost increases resulting from the recent increase in the number of Bank offices; (iii) general economic conditions, either nationally or regionally, that are less favorable than expected, resulting in deterioration in loan demand, credit quality and/or borrower liquidity, among other things; (iv) changes which may occur in the regulatory environment, including but not limited to changes with respect to recent legislation discussed under "Supervision, Regulation and Government Policy" below; and (v) large and/or rapid changes in interest rates. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made. The Corporation expressly disclaims any obligations or undertaking to publicly release any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement contained herein to reflect any change in the Bank's expectations with regard to any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based.

#### **United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. and United Bank**

United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. (the "Corporation") is a one-bank, bank holding company, with headquarters in Atmore, Alabama. The Corporation was incorporated under the laws of Delaware on March 8, 1982 for the purpose of acquiring all of the issued and outstanding capital stock of The Bank of Atmore, Atmore, Alabama ("Atmore") and Peoples Bank, Frisco City, Alabama ("Peoples"). Atmore was merged into United Bank of Atmore, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Corporation, and Peoples was merged into United Bank of Frisco City ("Frisco City"), also a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Corporation, in late 1982. Effective March 30, 1984, Frisco City merged into United Bank of Atmore, which had previously changed its name to simply "United Bank."

The Corporation and its subsidiary, United Bank (herein "United Bank" or the "Bank"), operate primarily in one business segment, commercial banking. United Bank contributes substantially all of the total operating revenues and consolidated assets of the Corporation. The Bank serves its customers from seventeen full service banking offices located in Atmore (2 offices), Frisco City, Monroeville, Flomaton, Foley, Lillian, Bay Minette (2 offices), Silverhill, Magnolia Springs, Spanish Fort, Summerdale, and Loxley, Alabama, and in Jay, Pace and Milton, Florida. Additionally, a loan production office is located in Loxley, Alabama.

United Bank offers a broad range of banking services. Services to business customers include providing remote deposit capabilities, checking accounts, money market deposit accounts, time deposit accounts, repurchase agreements, and various types of lending services. Services provided to individual customers include checking accounts, NOW accounts, money market deposit accounts, statement savings accounts, and various other time deposit savings programs and loans, including business, personal, automobile, home and home improvement loans. United Bank offers securities brokerage services, Visa multi-purpose, and nationally recognized credit card service. The Bank also offers internet banking, bill pay and access to online brokerage services at its web site, [www.unitedbank.com](http://www.unitedbank.com). The Bank also owns an insurance agency, United Insurance Services, Inc., which opened and began business in 2001.

Competition - The commercial banking business is highly competitive and United Bank competes actively with state and national banks, savings and loan associations, insurance companies, brokerage houses, and credit unions in its market areas for deposits and loans. In addition, United Bank competes with other financial institutions, including personal loan companies, leasing companies, finance companies and certain governmental agencies, all of which engage in marketing various types of loans and other services. The regulatory environment affects competition in the bank business as well.

Employees - The Corporation and its subsidiary had approximately 182 full-time equivalent employees at December 31, 2009. All of the employees are engaged in the operations of United Bank, its subsidiary, or the Corporation. The Corporation considers its employee relations good, and has not experienced and does not anticipate any work stoppage attributable to labor disputes.

Supervision, Regulation and Government Policy - Bank holding companies, banks and many of their non-bank affiliates are extensively regulated under both federal and state law. The following brief summary of certain statutes, rules and regulations affecting the Corporation and the Bank is qualified in its entirety by reference to the particular statutory and regulatory provisions referred to below, and is not intended to be an exhaustive description of the statutes or regulations applicable to the Corporation's business. Any change in applicable law or regulations could have a material effect on the business of the Corporation and its subsidiary. Supervision, regulation and examination of banks by bank regulatory agencies are intended primarily for the protection of depositors rather than holders of Corporation common stock.

The Corporation is registered as a bank holding company ("BHC") with the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the "Federal Reserve") under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended (the "BHC Act"), having determined that continued registration as a financial holding company ("FHC") was unnecessary in light of the Corporation's current operation. As such, the Corporation is subject to the supervision, examination, and reporting requirements in the BHC Act and the regulations of the Federal Reserve. See discussion of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Financial Services Modernization Act below.

The BHC Act requires every bank holding company to obtain the prior approval of the Federal Reserve before it may acquire substantially all of the assets of any bank or control of any voting shares of any bank, if, after such acquisition, it would own or control, directly or indirectly, more than 5% of the voting shares of such bank. The BHC Act requires the Federal Reserve to consider, among other things, anticompetitive effects, financial and managerial resources and community needs in reviewing such a transaction. Under the Riegle-Neal Interstate Banking and Branching Efficiency Act of 1994, enacted in September 1994, bank holding companies were permitted to acquire banks located in any state without regard to whether the transaction is prohibited under any state law (except that states may establish a minimum age of not more than five years for local banks subject to interstate acquisitions by out-of-state bank holding companies), and interstate branching was permitted beginning June 1, 1997 in certain circumstances.

With the prior approval of the Superintendent of the Alabama State Department of Banking ("Superintendent") and their primary federal regulators, state banks are entitled to expand by branching.

The Corporation is a legal entity separate and distinct from the Bank. Various legal limitations restrict the Bank from lending or otherwise supplying funds to the Corporation. Such transactions, including extensions of credit, sales of securities or assets and provision of services, also must be on terms and conditions consistent with safe and sound banking practices, including credit standards, that are substantially the same or at least as favorable to the Bank as prevailing at the time for transactions with unaffiliated companies. Also, as a subsidiary of a bank holding company, the Bank is generally prohibited from conditioning the extension of credit or other services, or

conditioning the lease or sale of property, on the customer's agreement to obtain or furnish some additional credit, property or service from or to such subsidiary or an affiliate.

The Bank is a state bank, subject to state banking laws and regulation, supervision and regular examination by the Alabama State Department of Banking (the "Department"), and as a member of the Deposit Insurance Fund ("DIF") of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC"), is also subject to FDIC regulation and examination. The Bank is not a member of the Federal Reserve System. Areas subject to federal and state regulation include dividend payments, reserves, investments, loans, interest rates, mergers and acquisitions, issuance of securities, borrowings, establishment of branches and other aspects of operation, including compliance with truth-in-lending and usury laws, and regulators have the right to prevent the development or continuance of unsafe or unsound banking practices regardless of whether the practice is specifically proscribed or otherwise violates law.

Dividends from United Bank constitute the major source of funds for the Corporation. United Bank is subject to state law restrictions on its ability to pay dividends, primarily that the prior written approval of the Superintendent is required if the total of all dividends declared in any calendar year exceeds the total of United Bank's net earnings of that year combined with its retained net earnings of the preceding two years, less any required transfers to surplus. United Bank is subject to restrictions under Alabama law which also prohibits any dividends from being made from surplus without the Superintendent's prior written approval and the general restriction that dividends in excess of 90% of United Bank's net earnings (as defined by statute), may not be declared or paid unless United Bank's surplus is at least equal to 20% of its capital. United Bank's surplus is significantly in excess of 20% of its capital. Federal bank regulatory agencies also have the general authority to limit the dividends paid by insured banks and bank holding companies if such payment is deemed to constitute an unsafe and unsound practice. Federal law provides that no dividends may be paid which would render the Bank undercapitalized. United Bank's ability to make funds available to the Corporation also is subject to restrictions imposed by federal law on the ability of a bank to extend credit to its parent company, to purchase the assets thereof, to issue a guarantee, acceptance or letter of credit on behalf thereof or to invest in the stock or securities thereof or to take such stock or securities as collateral for loans to any borrower. By agreement with its primary regulators, consistent with the Bank's determination to preserve capital, payments of dividends by the Bank to the Corporation are currently subject to prior review of the Alabama State Banking Department.

When the Corporation received a capital investment from the United States Department of the Treasury under the Troubled Assets Relief Program ("TARP") Capital Purchase Program on December 23, 2008 (see Note 10 to the Consolidated Financial Statements), the Corporation became subject to additional limitations on the payment of dividends. These limitations require, among other things, that (i) all dividends related to the securities purchased under the TARP Capital Purchase Program be paid before other dividends can be paid and (ii) the Treasury must approve any increases in common dividends for three years following the Treasury's investment, unless Treasury's investment is redeemed prior thereto.

The Bank is also subject to the requirements of the Community Reinvestment Act of 1977 ("CRA"). The CRA and the regulations implementing the CRA are intended to encourage regulated financial institutions to help meet the credit needs of their local community, including low and moderate-income neighborhoods, consistent with the safe and sound operation of financial institutions. The regulatory agency's assessment of the Bank's CRA record is made available to the public.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 ("FDICIA") recapitalized the Bank Insurance Fund ("BIF") and included numerous revised statutory provisions. FDICIA established five capital tiers for insured depository institutions: "well capitalized", "adequately capitalized", "undercapitalized", "significantly undercapitalized", and "critically undercapitalized", as defined by regulations adopted by the Federal Reserve, the FDIC and other federal depository institution regulatory agencies. At December 31, 2009, the Bank was

"adequately capitalized" and was not subject to restrictions imposed for failure to satisfy applicable capital requirements. BIF premiums for each member financial institution depend upon the risk assessment classification assigned to the institution by the FDIC.

Banking is a business that primarily depends on interest rate differentials. In general, the difference between the interest rate paid by a bank on its deposits and other borrowings and the interest rate received by the bank on its loans and securities holdings constitutes the major portion of the bank's earnings. As a result, the earnings and business of the Corporation are and will be affected by economic conditions generally, both domestic and foreign, and also by the policies of various regulatory authorities having jurisdiction over the Corporation and the Bank, especially the Federal Reserve. The Federal Reserve, among other functions, regulates the supply of credit and deals with general economic conditions within the United States. The instruments of monetary policy employed by the Federal Reserve for those purposes influence in various ways the overall level of investments, loans and other extensions of credit and deposits and the interest rates paid on liabilities and received on assets.

The enactment of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Financial Services Modernization Act (the "GLB Act") on November 12, 1999 represented an important development in the powers of banks and their competitors in the financial services industry by removing many of the barriers between commercial banking, investment banking, securities brokerages and insurance. Inter-affiliation of many of these formerly separated businesses is now common. The GLB Act includes significant provisions regarding the privacy of financial information. These financial privacy provisions generally require a financial institution to adopt a privacy policy regarding its practices for sharing nonpublic personal information and to disclose such policy to their customers, both at the time the customer relationship is established and at least annually during the relationship. These provisions also prohibit the Corporation from disclosing nonpublic personal financial information to third parties unless customers have the opportunity to opt out of the disclosure. The GLB Act gives the Federal Reserve broad authority to regulate FHCs, but provides for functional regulation of subsidiary activities by the Securities Exchange Commission, Federal Trade Commission, state insurance and securities authorities and similar regulatory agencies.

On October 26, 2001, President Bush signed into law the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the "USA Patriot Act"). Among its provisions, the USA Patriot Act requires each financial institution: (i) to establish an anti-money laundering program, (ii) to establish due diligence policies, procedures and controls with respect to its private banking accounts and correspondent banking accounts involving foreign individuals and certain foreign banks and (iii) to avoid establishing, maintaining, administering, or managing correspondent accounts in the United States for, or on behalf of, a foreign bank that does not have a physical presence in any country. In addition, the USA Patriot Act contains a provision encouraging cooperation among financial institutions, regulatory authorities and law enforcement authorities with respect to individuals, entities and organizations engaged in, or reasonably suspected of engaging in, terrorist acts or money laundering activities. The USA Patriot Act has not had a significant impact on the financial condition or results of operations of the Corporation.

In July 2002 the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the "SOA") was enacted. The SOA established many new operational and disclosure requirements, with the stated goals of, among other things, increasing corporate responsibility and protecting investors by improving corporate disclosures. The SOA applies generally to companies that file periodic reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"). As an Exchange Act reporting company, the Corporation is subject to some SOA provisions. Other SOA requirements apply only to companies which, unlike the Corporation, have stock traded on a national stock exchange or the NASDAQ.

In response to the recent financial crisis, the United States government passed the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 (the "EESA") on October 3, 2008, which provides the United States Department of the Treasury (the "Treasury") with broad authority to implement certain actions intended to help restore stability and liquidity to the U.S. financial markets.

The EESA included a provision for a temporary increase from \$100,000 to \$250,000 per depositor in deposit insurance effective October 3, 2008 through December 31, 2013. Deposit accounts are otherwise insured by the FDIC, generally up to a maximum of \$100,000 per separately insured depositor and up to a maximum of \$250,000 for self-directed retirement accounts.

In 2006, federal deposit insurance reform legislation was enacted that (i) required the FDIC to merge the Bank Insurance Fund and the Savings Association Insurance Fund into a newly created Deposit Insurance Fund; (ii) increased the amount of deposit insurance coverage for retirement accounts; (iii) allowed for deposit insurance coverage on individual accounts to be indexed for inflation starting in 2010; (iv) provided the FDIC more flexibility in setting and imposing deposit insurance assessments; and (v) provided eligible institutions credits on future assessments.

The FDIC imposes an assessment against institutions for deposit insurance. This assessment is based on the risk category of the institution and ranges from 5 to 43 basis points of the institution's deposits. In December, 2008, the FDIC adopted a rule that raises the current deposit insurance assessment rates uniformly for all institutions by 7 basis points (to a range from 12 to 50 basis points). The rule also gives the FDIC the authority to alter the way it calculates federal deposit insurance assessment rates to adjust for an institution's risk beginning in the second quarter of 2009 and there after, and as necessary to implement emergency special assessments to maintain the Deposit Insurance Fund.

Pursuant to the EESA, the Treasury has the ability to purchase or insure up to \$700 billion in troubled assets held by financial institutions under the Troubled Asset Relief Program (the "TARP"). On October 14, 2008, the Treasury announced it would initially purchase equity stakes in financial institutions under a Capital Purchase Program (the "CPP") of up to \$350 billion of the \$700 billion authorized under the TARP legislation. The CPP provides direct equity investment of perpetual preferred stock by the Treasury in qualified financial institutions. The program is voluntary and requires an institution to comply with a number of restrictions and provisions, including limits on executive compensation, stock redemptions and declaration of dividends. For publicly traded companies, the CPP also requires the Treasury to receive warrants for common stock equal to 15% of the capital invested by the Treasury. The Corporation applied for and received \$10.3 million in the CPP.

As a participant in the CPP, the Corporation is subject to compensation and corporate governance standards and restrictions under applicable legislation and Treasury regulations, which include but are not limited to (1) restrictions on bonus, incentive and retention awards, (2) a prohibition on severance and change-in-control payments to the Corporation's executive officers and next five most highly-compensated employees, (3) ensuring that the Corporation's compensation programs do not encourage unnecessary and excessive risks, (4) requiring the recovery or "clawback" of any incentive compensation paid to the Corporation's executive officers and next 20 most highly-compensated employees if it is later determined that such payments were based on materially inaccurate financial or other performance criteria, (5) a prohibition on tax gross-ups paid to the Corporation's executive officers and next 20 most highly-compensated employees (6) adoption of an excessive or luxury expenditures policy, and (7) certifications as to various matters by the Corporation's CEO and CFO.

In October 2008, the FDIC announced the Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program, which has two components: the Debt Guarantee Program and the Transaction Account Guarantee Program. Under the

Transaction Account Guarantee Program any participating depository institution is able to provide full deposit insurance coverage for non-interest bearing transaction accounts, regardless of the dollar amount. Under the program, effective November 14, 2008, insured depository institutions that have not opted out of the FDIC Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program will be subject to a 0.10% surcharge applied to non-interest bearing transaction deposit account balances in excess of \$250,000, which surcharge will be added to the institution's existing risk-based deposit insurance assessments. Under the Debt Guarantee Program, qualifying unsecured senior debt issued by a participating institution can be guaranteed by the FDIC. The Corporation and the Bank chose to participate in both components of the FDIC Temporary Liquidity Guaranty Program.

On February 17, 2009, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ("ARRA") was signed into law. ARRA is intended to help stimulate the economy and is a combination of tax cuts and spending provisions applicable to a broad range of areas with an estimated cost of \$787 billion. The impact that ARRA may have on the U.S. economy, the Corporation and the Bank cannot be predicted with certainty.

Legislative and regulatory proposals regarding changes in banking, and the regulation of banks, federal savings institutions, and other financial institutions and bank and bank holding company powers are being considered by the executive branch of the federal government, Congress and various state governments. Certain of these proposals, if adopted, could significantly change the regulation or operations of banks and the financial services industry. New regulations and statutes are regularly proposed that contain wide-ranging proposals for altering the structures, regulations, and competitive relationships of the nation's financial institutions. On June 17, 2009, Treasury released a white paper entitled "Financial Regulatory Reform — A New Foundation: Rebuilding Financial Supervision and Regulation" (the "Proposal") which calls for sweeping regulatory and supervisory reforms for the entire financial sector and seeks to advance the following five key objectives: (i) promote robust supervision and regulation of financial firms, (ii) establish comprehensive supervision of financial markets, (iii) protect consumers and investors from financial abuse, (iv) provide the government with additional powers to monitor systemic risks, supervise and regulate financial products and markets, and to resolve firms that threaten financial stability, and (v) raise international regulatory standards and improve international cooperation.

The Proposal includes the creation of a new federal agency designed to enforce consumer protection laws. The Consumer Financial Protection Agency ("CFPA") would have authority to protect consumers of financial products and services and to regulate all providers (bank and non-bank) of such services. The CFPA would be authorized to adopt rules for all providers of consumer financial services, supervise and examine such institutions for compliance, and enforce compliance through orders, fines, and penalties. The rules of the CFPA would serve as a "floor" and individual states would be permitted to adopt and enforce stronger consumer protection laws. If adopted as proposed, the Bank may become subject to multiple laws affecting its provision of loans and other credit services to consumers, which may substantially increase the cost of providing such services.

On October 22, 2009, the Federal Reserve issued a comprehensive proposal on incentive compensation policies (the "Incentive Compensation Proposal") intended to ensure that incentive compensation policies of banking organizations don't undermine the safety and soundness of such organizations by encouraging excessive risk-taking. The Incentive Compensation Proposal, which covers all employees that have the ability to materially affect the risk profile of an organization, either individually or as part of a group, is based upon the key principles that a banking organization's incentive compensation arrangement should (i) provide incentives that do not encourage risk-taking beyond the organization's ability to effectively identify and manage risks, (ii) be compatible with effective internal controls and risk management, and (iii) be supported by strong corporate governance, including active and effective oversight by the organization's board of directors. Banking organizations are instructed to begin an immediate review of their incentive compensation policies to ensure that they do not encourage excessive risk-taking and implement corrective programs as needed.



The Federal Reserve will review, as part of the regular, risk-focused examination process, the incentive compensation arrangements of banking organizations, such as the Corporation. These reviews will be tailored to each organization based on the scope and complexity of the organization's activities and the prevalence of incentive compensation arrangements. The findings of the supervisory initiatives will be included in reports of examination. Deficiencies will be incorporated into the organization's supervisory ratings, which can affect the organization's ability to make acquisitions and take other actions. Enforcement actions may be taken against a banking organization if its incentive compensation arrangements, or related risk-management control or governance processes, pose a risk to the organization's safety and soundness and the organization is not taking prompt and effective measures to correct the deficiencies.

In addition, on January 12, 2010, the FDIC announced that it would seek public comment on whether banks with compensation plans that encourage risky behavior should be charged at higher deposit assessment rates than such banks would otherwise be charged.

On February 2, 2010, the U.S. President called on the U.S. Congress to create a new Small Business Lending Fund. Under this proposal, \$30 billion in TARP funds would be transferred to a new program outside of TARP to support small business lending. As proposed, only small- and medium-sized banks would qualify to participate in the program.

New regulations and statutes are regularly proposed that contain wide-ranging proposals for altering the structures, regulations, and competitive relationships of the nation's financial institutions. The Corporation cannot predict whether or in what form any proposed regulation or statute will be adopted or the extent to which our business may be affected by any new regulation or statute

The U. S. Treasury initiated a new program [Community Development Capital Initiative (“CDCI”)] for bank holding companies, savings and loan holding companies and stand alone thrifts and banks that have been certified by the Treasury as community development financial institutions (“CDFI”). To be certified as a CDFI, a financial institution must demonstrate that it serves an eligible target market and that at least 60% of its activities are directed to that target market. A target market may consist of one or more of the following: i) an investment area, ii) a low income targeted population, or iii) another targeted population. An example of an investment area would be a state, county, census tract, etc. that has at least one of the following: i) a population poverty rate of at least 20%, ii) for a metropolitan area, an unemployment rate at least 1.5 times the national average, iii) a median family income at or below 80% of the metropolitan area’s or national metropolitan family income, iv) for counties outside of a metropolitan area, a county population loss during the period between the two most recent decennial censuses, or v) for counties outside of a metropolitan area, net migration loss during the 5-year period preceding the most recent decennial census of at least 5%. A qualifying financial institution may be eligible to apply for a CDCI capital investment of up to 5% of its total risk weighted assets (less any outstanding amount of CPP funding). If a financial institution has existing CPP funding, it may exchange that funding for CDCI funding. CDCI funding is in the form of preferred stock which will receive tier 1 capital treatment. The initial dividend rate will be 2% and will increase to 9% after eight years. No warrants will be required. The financial institution will be subject to the executive compensation restrictions of EESA. A financial institution must apply for CDCI funding by April 2, 2010. If a financial institution is not currently certified as a CDFI, its application to be certified as a CDFI must be filed by April 16, 2010. The Corporation is currently evaluating both its eligibility to participate in the CDCI and the benefits of the terms of the program. It is management’s preliminary assessment that the Corporation’s preferred stock dividend payments would be significantly reduced should it participate in the program. The Bank may submit the required application upon completion of this analysis, but there is no assurance that the Bank will participate in the program.

Selected Statistical Information - The following tables set forth certain selected statistical information concerning the business and operations of the Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiary, United Bank, as of December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007. Averages referred to in the following statistical information are generally average daily balances.

Analysis of Net Interest Earnings: The following table sets forth interest earned and the average yield on the major categories of the Corporation's interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities.

		(Dollars in Thousands)		
		Average Balance	Interest Income Expense	Average Rates Earned Paid
<b>2009</b>				
Loans, net (1)	\$	286,548	\$ 17,014	5.96%
Taxable securities		65,760	2,284	3.47%
Tax exempt securities (2)		30,579	1,232	6.10%
Federal funds sold and repurchase agreements		14,141	39	0.28%
Interest-bearing deposits with other financial institutions		38,594	208	0.54%
Total interest-earning assets	\$	<u>435,622</u>	<u>\$ 20,777</u>	<u>4.93%</u>
Saving deposits and demand deposits interest-bearing	\$	106,441	\$ 703	0.66%
Time deposits		196,591	6,067	3.09%
Repurchase agreements		5	-	0.00%
Other borrowed funds		12,210	359	2.94%
Total interest-bearing liabilities	\$	<u>315,247</u>	<u>\$ 7,129</u>	<u>2.26%</u>
Net interest income/net yield on interest earning assets			<u>\$ 13,648</u>	<u>3.28%</u>
<b>2008</b>				
Loans, net (1)	\$	287,491	\$ 19,557	6.80%
Taxable securities		84,813	3,062	3.61%
Tax exempt securities (2)		33,903	1,360	6.08%
Federal funds sold and repurchase agreements		9,204	179	1.94%
Interest-bearing deposits with other financial institutions		14,766	343	2.32%
Total interest-earning assets	\$	<u>430,177</u>	<u>\$ 24,501</u>	<u>5.86%</u>
Saving deposits and demand deposits interest-bearing	\$	99,969	\$ 1,429	1.43%
Time deposits		194,524	7,944	4.08%
Repurchase agreements		68,257	834	1.22%
Other borrowed funds		12,648	672	5.31%
Total interest-bearing liabilities	\$	<u>375,398</u>	<u>\$ 10,879</u>	<u>2.90%</u>
Net interest income/net yield on interest earning assets			<u>\$ 13,622</u>	<u>3.33%</u>

	Average Balance	Interest Income Interest Income Expense	Average Rates Average Rates Earned Paid
<b>2007</b>			
Loans, net (1)	\$ 251,348	\$ 21,195	8.43%
Taxable securities	73,682	3,662	4.97%
Tax exempt securities (2)	35,750	1,428	6.05%
Federal funds sold and repurchase agreements	5,230	258	4.93%
Interest-bearing deposits with other financial institutions	12,832	667	5.20%
<b>Total interest-earning assets</b>	<b>\$ 378,842</b>	<b>\$ 27,210</b>	<b>7.38%</b>
Saving deposits and demand deposits interest-bearing	\$ 90,123	\$ 2,052	2.28%
Time deposits	174,009	8,407	4.83%
Repurchase agreements	40,909	1,708	4.18%
Other borrowed funds	18,318	1,396	7.62%
<b>Total interest-bearing liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 323,359</b>	<b>\$ 13,563</b>	<b>4.19%</b>
<b>Net interest income/net yield on interest earning assets</b>		<b>\$ 13,647</b>	<b>3.80%</b>

- (1) Loans on nonaccrual status have been included in the computation of average balances.
- (2) Yields on tax-exempt obligations have been computed on a full federal tax-equivalent basis using an income tax rate of 34% for 2009, 2008, and 2007.

Analysis of Changes in Interest Income and Interest Expense: The following is an analysis of the dollar amounts of changes in interest income and interest expense due to changes in rates and volume for the periods indicated.

(Dollars in Thousands)

Average Balances			Interest Income			Variance as to	
2009	2008		Expense		Variance	Rate	Volume
			2009	2008			
\$ 286,548	\$ 287,491	Loans (Net)	\$ 17,014	\$ 19,557	\$ (2,543)	\$ (219)	\$ (2,324)
65,760	84,813	Taxable Securities AFS (1)	2,284	3,062	(778)	(801)	23
30,579	33,903	Tax Exempt Securities AFS (2)	1,232	1,360	(128)	(137)	9
14,141	9,204	Fed Funds Sold	39	179	(140)	59	(199)
38,594	14,766	Interest Bearing Deposits	208	343	(135)	281	(416)
<u>\$ 435,622</u>	<u>\$ 430,177</u>	Total Earning Assets	<u>\$ 20,777</u>	<u>\$ 24,501</u>	<u>\$ (3,724)</u>	<u>\$ (817)</u>	<u>\$ (2,907)</u>
		Savings and Interest Bearing					
\$ 106,441	\$ 99,969	Demand Deposits	\$ 703	\$ 1,429	\$ (726)	\$ 56	\$ (782)
196,591	194,524	Time Deposits	6,067	7,944	(1,877)	764	(2,641)
5	68,257	Repurchase Agreements	-	834	(834)	(416)	(418)
12,210	12,648	Other Borrowed Funds	359	672	(313)	3	(316)
<u>\$ 315,247</u>	<u>\$ 375,398</u>	Total Interest Bearing Liabilities	<u>\$ 7,129</u>	<u>\$ 10,879</u>	<u>\$ (3,750)</u>	<u>\$ 407</u>	<u>\$ (4,157)</u>

The variance of interest due to both rate and volume has been allocated proportionately to the rate and the volume components based on the relationship of the absolute dollar amounts of the change in each.

- (1) Available for Sale (AFS)
- (2) Yields on tax-exempt obligations have been computed on a full federal tax-equivalent basis using an income tax rate of 34% for 2009, 2008, and 2007.

**Analysis of Changes in Interest Income and Interest Expense** - The following is an analysis of the dollar amounts of changes in interest income and interest expense due to changes in rates and volume for the periods indicated.

(Dollars in Thousands)

Average Balances			Interest Income			Variance as to	
2008	2007		Expense		Variance	Rate	Volume
			2008	2007			
\$ 287,491	\$ 251,348	Loans (Net)	\$ 19,557	\$ 21,195	\$ (1,638)	\$ (3,942)	\$ 2,304
84,813	73,682	Taxable Securities AFS (1)	3,062	3,662	(600)	(1,075)	475
33,903	35,750	Tax Exempt Securities AFS (2)	1,360	1,428	(68)	38	(106)
9,204	5,230	Fed Funds Sold	179	258	(79)	(220)	141
14,766	12,832	Interest Bearing Deposits	343	667	(324)	(784)	460
<u>\$ 430,177</u>	<u>\$ 378,842</u>	Total Earning Assets	<u>\$ 24,501</u>	<u>\$ 27,210</u>	<u>\$ (2,709)</u>	<u>\$ (5,983)</u>	<u>\$ 3,274</u>
		Savings and Interest Bearing					
\$ 99,969	\$ 90,123	Demand Deposits	\$ 1,429	\$ 2,052	\$ (623)	\$ (910)	\$ 287
194,524	174,009	Time Deposits	7,944	8,407	(463)	(790)	327
68,257	40,909	Repurchase Agreements	834	1,708	(874)	(1,620)	746
12,648	18,318	Other Borrowed Funds	672	1,396	(724)	(271)	(453)
<u>\$ 375,398</u>	<u>\$ 323,359</u>	Total Interest Bearing Liabilities	<u>\$ 10,879</u>	<u>\$ 13,563</u>	<u>\$ (2,684)</u>	<u>\$ (3,591)</u>	<u>\$ 907</u>

The variance of interest due to both rate and volume has been allocated proportionately to the rate and the volume components based on the relationship of the absolute dollar amounts of the change in each.

- (1) Available for Sale (AFS)
- (2) Yields on tax-exempt obligations have been computed on a full federal tax-equivalent basis using an income tax rate of 34% for 2008 and 2007.

**Investments** - The investment policy of United Bank provides that funds not otherwise needed to meet the loan demand of United Bank's market area can best be invested to earn maximum return for the Bank, yet still maintain sufficient liquidity to meet fluctuations in the Bank's loan demand and deposit structure. The Bank has identified that it will maintain a core investment portfolio, not needed to meet liquidity requirements, which will be accounted for as Held-to Maturity and, under this accounting, will reduce the volatility of total capital. The Bank will establish limits as to the holdings in this portfolio. At the time of purchase, the Bank designates whether a particular security will be accounted for as Held-to-Maturity or Available-for-Sale. The ratio of total loans to the sum of deposits and repurchase agreements as of December 31, 2009 was 69.99%. Growth in the loan portfolio is impacted by among other things, general economic conditions, the ability to accurately determine the current and future value of collateral and the availability of loans meeting the Bank's credit quality standards. Management expects that funding for any growth in the loan portfolio would come from deposit growth, repurchase agreement growth, and reallocation of liquid funds or maturing investments. Management, in an effort to contain interest rate risk, will make use of longer term Out of Market CD's and term FHLB advances to fund fixed rate loans with maturities in excess of one (1) year.

**Securities Portfolio** - The Bank's investment policy, as approved by the Board of Directors, dictates approved types of securities and the conditions under which they may be held. Attention is paid to the maturity and risks associated with each investment. The distribution reflected in the tables below could vary with economic conditions, which could shorten or lengthen maturities. Management believes the level of credit and interest rate risks inherent in the securities portfolio is low.

The following table sets forth the distribution of contractual maturities of investment securities available for sale and their associated yields:

**Maturity Distribution of Investment Securities Available for Sale**  
**December 31, 2009, 2008, and 2007**  
(Dollars in Thousands)

	<u>2009</u>		<u>2008</u>		<u>2007</u>	
<b>U.S. Treasury securities</b>						
Within one year	\$ -	0.00%	\$ -	0.00%	\$ -	0.00%
1-5 years	3,027	1.06%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%
5-10 years	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%
After 10 years	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,027</b>	<b>1.06%</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>US Government sponsored agencies</b>						
Within one year	\$ -	0.00%	\$ 16,520	0.99%	\$ 22,434	4.28%
1-5 years	24,997	3.12%	7,662	4.63%	14,236	4.73%
5-10 years	11,472	3.93%	15,371	5.35%	21,943	5.49%
After 10 years	-	-	-	-	1,002	5.75%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 36,469</b>	<b>3.37%</b>	<b>\$ 39,553</b>	<b>3.39%</b>	<b>\$ 59,615</b>	<b>4.86%</b>
<b>Mortgage Backed Securities</b>						
Within one year	\$ -	0.00%	\$ 170	3.23%	\$ 728	3.60%
1-5 years	-	0.00%	4,302	3.93%	2,356	4.05%
5-10 years	-	0.00%	1,519	4.57%	4,620	4.05%
After 10 years	-	0.00%	6,860	4.57%	9,208	4.74%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>\$ 12,851</b>	<b>4.35%</b>	<b>\$ 16,912</b>	<b>4.44%</b>
<b>State &amp; Municipal (1)</b>						
Within one year	\$ 1,499	3.98%	\$ 1,460	3.51%	\$ 469	4.06%
1-5 years	6,727	3.86%	7,063	3.88%	6,318	3.90%
5-10 years	11,275	4.03%	13,118	4.08%	14,160	4.02%
After 10 years	9,213	4.16%	11,481	4.03%	14,471	4.02%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 28,714</b>	<b>4.03%</b>	<b>\$ 33,122</b>	<b>3.99%</b>	<b>\$ 35,418</b>	<b>4.00%</b>
<b>Equity Securities</b>						
Within one year	\$ 3	1.00%	\$ -	0.00%	\$ -	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3</b>	<b>1.00%</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 68,213</b>	<b>3.55%</b>	<b>\$ 85,526</b>	<b>4.52%</b>	<b>\$ 111,945</b>	<b>4.52%</b>

(1) Yields on tax-exempt obligations have been computed on a full federal tax-equivalent basis using an income tax rate of 34% for 2009, 2008 and 2007.

The following table sets forth the distribution of maturities of investment securities held to maturity as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and their associated yields (no securities were classified as held to maturity as of December 31, 2007):

Maturity Distribution of Investment Securities Held to Maturity				
December 31, 2009 and 2008				
(Dollars in Thousands)				
	<u>2009</u>		<u>2008</u>	
US Government sponsored agencies				
Within one year	\$ -	-	\$ -	-
1-5 years	6,025	2.97%	3,050	4.34%
5-10 years	9,399	3.52%	3,000	4.48%
After 10 years	-	-	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 15,424</u>	<u>3.31%</u>	<u>\$ 6,050</u>	<u>4.41%</u>
Other domestic debt securities				
Within one year	\$ 235	5.25%	\$ -	-
1-5 years	-	-	500	5.25%
5-10 years	-	-	-	-
After 10 years	-	-	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 235</u>	<u>5.25%</u>	<u>\$ 500</u>	<u>5.25%</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 15,659</u>	<u>3.33%</u>	<u>\$ 6,550</u>	<u>4.47%</u>

**Relative Lending Risk** - United Bank serves both rural and suburban markets. The rural market is composed primarily of lower to middle income families. The rural market economy is heavily influenced by timber and agricultural production. The suburban market is faster growing, more commercial and is composed of a higher income mix than the rural market. The Bank's loan portfolio mix is reflective of these markets. The Bank's ratio of loans to assets or deposits is comparable to its peer banks serving similar markets.

The risks associated with the Bank's lending are primarily 1) credit risks from economic conditions and concentrations of a loans secured by particular types of collateral or in a particular geographic area and 2) interest rate risk.

Small banks located in one community experience a much higher risk due to the dependence on the economic viability of that single community. United Bank is more geographically diverse than some of its local community banking competitors. With offices in fifteen communities, risks associated with the effects of major economic disruptions in one community are somewhat mitigated. This geographic diversity affects all types of loans and plays a part in the Bank's risk management.

Interest rate risk is a function of the maturity of the loan and method of pricing. The Bank's loan maturity distribution reflects 42.2% of the portfolio maturing in one year or less. In addition, 41.14% of all loans float with an interest rate index. The maturity distribution and floating rate loans help protect the Bank from unexpected interest rate increases.

Credit risk results from the inability of the borrower to repay the principal and interest on the loan. This inability could result from loss of employment, reduction in liquidity from adverse market movements or adverse changes in the cash flow from the business being financed.

The majority of all types of loans offered by the Bank are collateralized. Concentrations in loans secured by a particular type of collateral increase the Bank's exposure to reductions in value of that collateral type. Additionally, the ability to accurately determine the value of any collateral currently, and over time, has an impact on the management of the portfolio of loans.

Loan concentrations present different risk profiles depending on the type of loan. Regardless of the type of loan, the repayment ability of the borrower and the value of any collateral are important considerations in a loan decision. The loan policy, as approved by the Board of Directors of the Bank, establishes collateral guidelines for each type of loan.

Each type of loan exhibits unique profiles of risk that could threaten repayment.

Commercial lending requires an understanding of the customers' business and financial performance. The Bank's commercial customers are primarily small to middle market enterprises. The larger commercial accounts are managed by Senior Commercial lenders. Risks in this category are primarily economic. Shifts in local and regional conditions could have an effect on individual borrowers; but as previously mentioned, the Bank attempts to spread this risk by serving multiple communities. As with the other categories, these loans are typically collateralized by assets of the borrower. In most situations, the personal assets of the business owners also collateralize the credit.

Agricultural lending is a specialized type of lending for the Bank. Due to the unique characteristics in this type of loan, the Bank has loan officers dedicated to this market. Collateral valuation and the experience of the borrower play heavily into the approval process. This loan category includes financing equipment, crop production, timber, dairy operations and others. Given the broad range of loans offered, it is difficult to generalize risks in agricultural lending. The area of greatest attention and risk is crop production loans. Risks associated with catastrophic crop losses are mitigated by crop insurance, government support programs, experience of the borrower, collateral other than the crop and the borrower's other financial resources. Routine visitations and contact with the borrower help inform the Bank about crop conditions.

Real estate loans, whether they are construction or mortgage, historically have had lower delinquency rates than other types of loans in the portfolio. This is no longer the case with the change in the real estate market. The Bank makes very few long term, fixed rate mortgage loans; however, it does offer loans with repayment terms based on amortization of up to 30 years with balloon payments of principal at a shorter term, such as three or five years. The Bank also offers several different long-term mortgage programs provided by third party processors.

Installment loans are generally collateralized. Given the small dollar exposure on each loan, the risk of a significant loss on any one credit is limited. Pricing and close monitoring of past due loans enhance the Bank's returns from this type of loan and minimize risks.

The average loan in the loan portfolio at December 31, 2009 was \$62,854, a decrease of \$4,366 from the 2008 level.



## LOAN PORTFOLIO MATURITIES

Maturities and loan re-pricing indices in the Corporation's loan portfolio are as follows:

Remaining Maturity

December 31, 2009

(Dollars in Thousands)

	One year or less	One - five years	After five years	Total
Real estate - construction	\$ 33,005	\$ 16,227	\$ 89	\$ 49,321
Real estate - mortgage				
1-4 family	12,698	39,156	3,966	55,820
Real estate - commercial	17,596	40,546	2,932	61,074
Real estate - other	11,927	19,292	3,547	34,766
Agricultural	8,951	4,204	411	13,566
Commercial	29,510	21,743	736	51,989
Other loans	5,905	10,800	105	16,810
Totals	<u>\$ 119,592</u>	<u>\$ 151,968</u>	<u>\$ 11,786</u>	<u>\$ 283,346</u>

### Variable Rate Loans by Re-pricing Index

(Dollars in Thousands)

	<u>Index</u>		
	Prime	LIBOR	Total
Real estate - construction	\$ 34,335	\$ 2,225	\$ 36,560
Real estate - mortgage			
1-4 family	21,039	-	21,039
Real estate - commercial	13,855	3,047	16,902
Real estate - other	13,662		13,662
Agricultural	5,603		5,603
Commercial	21,072	1,616	22,688
Other loans	124	-	124
Totals	<u>\$ 109,690</u>	<u>\$ 6,888</u>	<u>\$ 116,578</u>

For additional information regarding interest rate sensitivity see INTEREST RATE RISK included in Item 1A below.

**Impaired Loans** - Management considers a loan to be impaired when it is probable that the Bank will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. When a loan is considered impaired, the amount of impairment is measured based on the net present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the note's effective interest rate, or, if the loan is collateral-dependent, the fair value of the collateral is used to determine the amount of impairment. Impaired loans are covered by the allowance for loan losses through a charge to the provision for loan losses. Subsequent recoveries are added to the allowance. Because of the severe

economic downturn and the effect on borrowers' ability to pay and collateral values, the Bank expanded the scope of its analysis of the loan portfolio during 2009. This resulted in additional scrutiny of more loans. The effect was to test more loans for impairment and placing these loans under increased management supervision. At December 31, 2009, the Bank had identified 66 impaired loans (as defined by FASB ASC 310) aggregating \$49,039,811 compared with 34 impaired loans totaling \$21,149,317 as of December 31, 2008. Of the loans identified as impaired as of December 31, 2009, specific reserves were deemed necessary on 25 loans totaling \$18,405,768 and reserves in the amount of \$5,062,293 or 27.50% were allocated.

Of the loans impaired as of December 31, 2008 approximately \$2,830,000 was charged off against the allowance, \$3,040,000 was foreclosed and recorded as ORE, and \$1,575,000 was repaid.

Non-performing Assets - The following table sets forth the Corporation's non-performing assets at December 31, 2009, 2008, and 2007. Under the Corporation's nonaccrual policy, a loan is placed on nonaccrual status when the ability to collect the principal and interest is in doubt or when principal and interest is 90 days or more past due, unless, after analysis, it is determined that the interest is well secured and in the process of collection. Credit cards continue to accrue interest.

Descriptions	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
A Loans accounted for on a nonaccrual basis	\$ 18,993	\$ 14,700	\$ 11,079
B Loans which are contractually past due ninety days or more as to interest or principal payments (excluding balances included in (A) above)	210	28	26
C Loans, the terms of which have been renegotiated to provide a reduction or deferral of interest or principal because of a deterioration in the financial position of the borrower.	1,657	1,106	54
D Other non-performing assets	<u>7,611</u>	<u>5,524</u>	<u>551</u>
Total	<u>\$ 28,471</u>	<u>\$ 21,358</u>	<u>\$ 11,710</u>

If nonaccrual loans in (A) above had been current throughout their term, interest income would have been increased by \$968,048, \$862,019 and \$685,398 for 2009, 2008, and 2007 respectively. All of the assets in (D) above at the end of 2009, 2008, and 2007 were other real estate owned (ORE).

There may be additional loans in the Bank's portfolio that may become classified or impaired as conditions continue to change. Regulatory examiners may require the Bank to recognize additions to the allowance based upon their judgments about information available to them at the time of their examination.

**Loan Concentrations** - On December 31, 2009, the Bank had \$43,957,653 of agriculture related loans as compared to \$47,599,289 and \$40,792,171 in 2008 and 2007, respectively. Real estate construction and 1-4 family residential mortgage loans were \$49,321,129 and \$55,820,121 respectively in 2009, \$52,649,854 and \$52,676,766 respectively in 2008 and \$68,699,154 and \$41,738,820 respectively in 2007.

**Summary of Loan Loss Experience**  
(Dollars in Thousands)

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Average amount of loans outstanding, net	\$ 286,548	\$ 287,491	\$ 251,348
Allowance for loan losses beginning January 1	<u>\$ 3,591</u>	<u>\$ 3,981</u>	<u>\$ 3,011</u>
Loans Charged off:			
Commercial, financial and			
agriculture	(3,850)	(2,422)	(226)
Real estate - mortgage	(512)	(68)	-
Installment loans to			
individuals	<u>(165)</u>	<u>(265)</u>	<u>(213)</u>
Total Charged off	<u>(4,527)</u>	<u>(2,755)</u>	<u>(439)</u>
Recoveries during the period			
Commercial, financial and			
agriculture	53	30	12
Real estate - mortgage	4	-	-
Installment loans to			
individuals	<u>46</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>17</u>
Total Recoveries	<u>103</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>29</u>
Loans Charged off, net	(4,424)	(2,690)	(410)
Other Adjustments	-	-	-
Additions to the allowance charged to operations	<u>8,268</u>	<u>2,300</u>	<u>1,380</u>
	<u>\$ 7,435</u>	<u>\$ 3,591</u>	<u>\$ 3,981</u>
Ratio of net charge offs during the period to average loans outstanding	1.54%	0.94%	0.16%

Of the approximately \$4,527,000 of loans charged off in 2009, approximately \$2,830,000 resulted from the resolution of loans identified as impaired at December 31, 2008.

**Allowance for Loan Losses** - The allowance for loan losses is maintained at a level which, in management's opinion, is appropriate to provide for estimated losses in the portfolio at the balance sheet date. Factors considered in determining the adequacy of the allowance include historical loan loss experience, the amount and trend of past due loans, loans classified from the most recent regulatory examinations and internal reviews, general economic conditions, the effect of lending policies and effectiveness of management and the current portfolio mix including concentrations. The amount charged to the provision is that amount necessary to maintain the allowance for loan losses at a level indicative of the associated risk, as determined by management, of the current portfolio.

The allowance for loan losses consists of two portions: the classified portion and the nonclassified portion. The classified portion is based on identified problem loans and is determined based on an assessment of credit risk related to those loans. Specific loss estimate amounts are included in the allowance based on an evaluation of the individual credits. Any loan categorized loss is charged off in the period which the loan is so categorized.

The nonclassified portion of the allowance is for probable inherent losses which exist as of the evaluation date even though they may not have been identified by the more objective processes for the classified portion of the allowance. This is due to the risk of error and inherent imprecision in the process. This portion of the allowance is particularly subjective and requires judgments based upon qualitative factors, which do not lend themselves to exact mathematical calculations. Some of the factors considered are changes in credit concentrations, loan mix, historical loss experience, experience of loan management, effects of lending policies and general economic environment in the Corporation's markets. As mentioned above in Impaired Loans, the Bank responded to the severity of the economic downturn by expanding the scope of its analysis of the loan portfolio.

While the total allowance is described as consisting of a classified and a nonclassified portion, these terms are primarily used to describe a process. Both portions are available to support inherent losses in the loan portfolio. Management realizes that general economic trends greatly affect loan losses, and no assurances can be made that future charges to the allowance for loan losses will not be significant in relation to the amount provided during a particular period, or that future evaluations of the loan portfolio based on conditions then prevailing will not require sizable charges to income. Management does, however, consider the allowance for loan losses to be appropriate for the reported periods. The Corporation has allocated proportionately the nonclassified portion of the allowance to the individual loan categories for purposes of the loan loss allowance table below.

Management believes that the allowance for loan losses at December 31, 2009 is appropriate given past experience and the underlying strength of the loan portfolio.

The table below reflects an allocation of the allowance for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008, and 2007. The allocation represents an estimate for each category of loans based upon historical experience and management's judgment.

	(Dollars In Thousands)					
	Allowance			Percentage of Loans to		
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Commercial, financial and agricultural	\$ 4,770	\$ 1,618	\$ 2,964	57.0%	56.4%	53.5%
Real estate - construction	1,893	1,777	336	17.4%	18.8%	25.7%
Real estate - mortgage 1-4 family	629	64	554	19.7%	18.8%	15.6%
Installment loans to individuals	144	132	127	5.9%	6.0%	5.2%
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 7,436</u>	<u>\$ 3,591</u>	<u>\$ 3,981</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

At December 31, 2009 the majority of loans identified as impaired were classified as commercial, financial and agricultural. As discussed above, these loans were dealt with through charge off, foreclosure or collection during 2009. After detailed analysis, the loans identified as impaired at December 31, 2009 and the related reserves were classified as indicated on the above table.

Delinquent Loan Policy - Installment loans are placed on nonaccrual when the loan is three payments past due. Single-date maturity notes are placed on nonaccrual status when such notes are delinquent for 90 days. Delinquent commercial loans are placed on nonaccrual status when the loan is 90 days past due or when a loan is determined to be impaired. After analysis and review, a loan that is 90 days past due may return to accrual status if collection of interest is well secured. Exceptions may be made where there are extenuating circumstances, but any exception is subject to review by the Board of Directors of the Bank.

Loans are considered delinquent if payments of principal or interest have not been made by the end of periods ranging from one to ten days after the due date, depending upon the type of loan involved. Installment loans are considered delinquent if payments of principal and interest are past due for a period of ten days and commercial loans are considered delinquent if payments of principal and interest are past due for a period of one day. Single-date maturity loans are considered delinquent if payments are not made by the day following the due date of such loans.

Loans are reviewed for charge offs, as necessary, on a monthly basis. If necessary, loans can be charged off at any time with the approval of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The loan officer responsible for the particular loan initiates the charge off request which is reviewed by the Special Assets Officer and then recommended for approval by the CEO. All charged off loans are reviewed by the Board of Directors of the Bank at the monthly board meeting.

**DEPOSITS**  
(Dollars in Thousands)

The following table sets forth the average amount of deposits for the years 2009, 2008, and 2007 by category.

	Deposits			Rate Paid		
	2009	2008	2007	2009	2008	2007
Noninterest-bearing demand deposits	<u>\$ 140,782</u>	<u>\$ 63,234</u>	<u>\$ 60,446</u>	<u>0%</u>	<u>0%</u>	<u>0%</u>
Interest - bearing						
Demand	87,294	82,357	71,593	0.76%	1.68%	2.80%
Savings	19,147	17,612	18,530	0.20%	0.24%	0.25%
Time	196,591	194,524	174,009	2.94%	4.08%	4.83%
	<u>\$ 303,032</u>	<u>\$ 294,493</u>	<u>\$ 264,132</u>	2.23%	3.18%	3.96%

The following shows the amount of time deposits outstanding at December 31, 2009, classified by time remaining until maturity.

Maturity	<u>\$100,000 or Greater Certificates of Deposit</u>	<u>Other Time Deposits</u>
Three months or less	\$ 19,889	\$ 29,611
Three to six months	17,629	31,744
Six to twelve months	20,460	26,359
Twelve months or more	16,422	24,765
Totals	<u>\$ 74,400</u>	<u>\$ 112,479</u>

The following table shows various amounts of repurchase agreements and other short term borrowings and their respective rates.

(Dollars in Thousands)

	<u>Maximum Outstanding at any month end</u>	<u>Average balance</u>	<u>Average interest rate</u>	<u>Ending balance</u>	<u>Average interest rate at year end</u>
<b><u>2009</u></b>					
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	\$ -	\$ 5	0.00%	\$ -	0.00%
Other short term borrowings	\$ 947	\$ 379	0.00%	\$ 624	0.00%
<b><u>2008</u></b>					
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	\$ 108,160	\$ 68,257	1.22%	\$ 1,861	0.00%
Other short term borrowings	\$ 661	\$ 663	1.59%	\$ 496	0.19%
<b><u>2007</u></b>					
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	\$ 60,504	\$ 40,909	4.18%	\$ 41,204	3.34%
Other short term borrowings	\$ 1,044	\$ 422	6.09%	\$ 692	1.02%

Return on Equity and Assets - The following table shows the percentage return on equity and assets, the dividend pay-out ratio, and the ratio of average equity to average assets of the Corporation for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008, and 2007.

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Return on average assets	-0.91%	0.11%	0.23%
Return on average equity	-10.97%	1.67%	3.28%
Dividend pay-out ratio	0.00%	125.00%	65.22%
Ratio of average equity to average assets	8.31%	7.35%	7.12%

## ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

The following discusses risks that management believes could have a negative impact on the Corporation's financial performance. When analyzing an investment in the Corporation, the risks and uncertainties described below, together with all of the other information included or incorporated by reference in this report should be carefully considered. The risk factors relate primarily to the commercial banking operations of the Bank. This list should not be viewed as comprehensive and may not include all risks that may affect the financial performance of the Corporation:

### Capital Risk

The Corporation is required by federal and state regulatory authorities to maintain adequate levels of capital to support its operations. The Corporation anticipates that capital resources will satisfy these requirements in the near term. However, the Corporation may need to raise additional capital to support growth or for other needs. The ability to raise additional capital, if needed, will depend on conditions in the capital markets at that time, which are beyond the Corporation's control, as well as on the Corporation current and anticipated financial performance. Accordingly, there can be no assurances as to the Corporation's ability to raise additional capital, if needed, on favorable terms or at all. In the event the Corporation is unable to raise capital when needed, its ability to further expand operations through internal capital generation (net earnings) and acquisitions could be impeded. In this case or should the Corporation identify a need for additional capital or a need to preserve capital, a reduction in or suspension of the dividend may be advisable.

The Corporation is a participant in the Capital Purchase Program (CPP) from the United States Treasury. Under this program, the Corporation sold to the Treasury, preferred shares and a warrant that is convertible into common stock of the Corporation. Should the common stock warrants be converted, the impact of the conversion would be a dilutive effect on the current shareholders and would result in an additional 105,080 shares being issued representing 4.40% of the 2,388,992 outstanding at December 31, 2009. When the Corporation received a capital investment from the United States Department of the Treasury under the Troubled Assets Relief Program ("TARP") Capital Purchase Program on December 23, 2008 (see Note 10 to the Consolidated Financial Statements), the Corporation became subject to additional limitations on the payment of dividends. These limitations require, among other things, that (i) all dividends Related to the securities purchased under the TARP Capital Purchase Program be paid before other dividends can be paid and

(ii) the Treasury must approve any increases in common dividends for three years following the Treasury's investment.

### Interest Rate

The Bank's profitability is largely a function of the spread between the interest rates earned on earning assets and the interest rates paid on deposits and other interest-bearing liabilities. Like most financial institutions, the Bank's net interest income and margin will be affected by general economic conditions, fiscal and monetary policies of the Federal government that influence market interest rates, the Bank's ability to respond to changes in such rates and other factors that determine the level and direction of movement of interest rates. At any given time, the Bank's assets and liabilities may be so positioned that they are affected differently by a change in the level or direction of interest rates. As a result, an increase or decrease in rates, loan terms, the mix of adjustable- and fixed-rate loans or investment securities in the Bank's portfolio or the shape of the yield curve could have a positive or negative effect on its net income, capital and liquidity. Although management believes it has implemented strategies and guidelines to reduce the potential effects of changes in interest rates on results of operations, any precipitous, substantial and/or prolonged change in market interest rates could adversely affect operating results.

**INTEREST RATE SENSITIVITY\***  
Interest Rate Sensitivity Analysis  
Year Ended December 31, 2009

	Ending Balances as of 12/31/09	Percent Change Interest Income/Expense	
		Down 200 Basis Points	Up 200 Basis Points
<b>Earning Assets:</b>			
Cash & Short-term Investments	\$ 54,668,111	-99.64%	526.38%
Investment securities, taxable	55,826,968	-14.72%	6.68%
Investment securities, tax-exempt	28,045,024	-2.51%	14.06%
Loans	275,910,662	-7.13%	16.38%
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 414,450,765</b>	<b>-8.11%</b>	<b>18.58%</b>
<b>Interest Bearing Liabilities:</b>			
Interest Bearing Deposits	\$ 96,161,054	-18.87%	61.29%
Certificates of Deposit less than \$100,000	112,497,802	-11.47%	46.28%
Certificates of Deposit greater than \$100,000	74,400,183	-11.18%	43.52%
<b>Total Interest Bearing Deposits</b>	<b>283,059,039</b>	<b>-12.54%</b>	<b>47.84%</b>
Federal funds sold & securities purchased under agreement to resale	0	0.00%	0.00%
Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings	2,069,242	2.35%	16.10%
<b>Total Purchased Funds</b>	<b>2,069,242</b>		
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 285,128,281</b>	<b>-12.28%</b>	<b>46.92%</b>
<b>Net Interest Income</b>		<b>-6.87%</b>	<b>10.21%</b>

\*Information pertains to the Bank only

As shown in the table above, the Corporation is interest rate sensitive, especially in a downward rate environment. A 200 basis point decline in prevailing market interest rates, such as the prime rate, would cause



an 6.87% decline in net interest income; while a similar increase in interest rates would yield a 10.21% increase in net interest income. The comparable sensitivities at the end of 2008 were a decline in net interest income of 6.54% in a 200 basis point decline and an increase of 16.98% in a similar increase of rates. This effect is due to the Corporation's mix of variable and fixed rate loans, interest bearing deposits, and borrowed funds. The Corporation's sensitivity to changes in interest rates in conjunction with the structure of interest rate spreads determines the impact of change in interest rates on the Bank's performance.

## Credit Risk

As a lender, the Bank is exposed to the risk that its borrowers may be unable to repay their loans and that any collateral securing the payment of their loans may not be sufficient to assure repayment in full. Credit losses are inherent in the lending business and could have a material adverse effect on the operating results of the Bank. Adverse changes in the economy or business conditions, either nationally or in the Bank's market areas, could increase credit related losses or related expenses and/or limit growth. Substantially all of the Bank's loans are to businesses and individuals in a limited geographic area and any economic decline in this local market could impact the Bank adversely. The Bank makes various assumptions and judgments about the collectibility of its loan portfolio and provides an allowance for loan losses based on a number of factors. If these assumptions are incorrect, the allowance for loan losses may not be sufficient to cover losses, thereby having an adverse effect on operating results, and may cause the Bank to increase the allowance in the future by increasing the provision for loan losses. The Bank has adopted credit policies which when combined with underwriting and credit monitoring procedures produce a process that management believes is appropriate to control these risks. Such policies and procedures may not prevent unexpected losses that could have a material adverse effect on the Bank's financial condition and/or results of operations. See "PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES" in Item 7 and "Summary of Loan Loss Experience" and "Allowance for Loan Losses" in Item 1.

## Competition

The financial services industry is highly competitive. Competition for attracting and retaining deposits and attracting desirable loans comes from a wide array of financial companies, such as other banks, savings institutions, credit unions, mutual fund companies, insurance companies and, increasingly, other non-bank businesses. Some of the Bank's competitors are much larger in terms of total assets and market capitalization, have a higher lending limit, and have greater access to capital and funding. The presence of one or more aggressive competitors in the Bank's market area could have an adverse effect on the Bank's financial condition and/or results of operations by increasing the cost of deposits, reducing the rates on loans or limiting access to quality borrowers. See "Competition" in Item 1.

## Government Regulation and Supervision

The banking industry is heavily regulated under both federal and state law. Banking regulations, designed primarily for the safety of depositors, may limit a financial institution's growth and the return to its investors, by restricting such activities as the payment of dividends, mergers with or acquisitions by other institutions, expansion of branch offices and the offering of securities. The Bank is also subject to capitalization guidelines established by federal law and could be subject to enforcement actions to the extent that its subsidiary bank is found, by regulatory examiners, to be undercapitalized. In recent discussions with its principal regulators capital and other benchmarks were agreed upon, as well as reporting with respect to those benchmarks, and the Bank agreed consistent with its earlier determination to suspend cash dividends to preserve capital and to consult with the Alabama State Banking Department prior to the payment of any cash dividend. The agreed upon benchmarks are consistent with those already established by the Bank. It is not possible to predict what changes, if any, will be made to existing federal and state legislation and regulations or the effect that such changes may have on the Bank's future business and earnings prospects. Any substantial changes to applicable laws or regulations could

also subject the Bank to additional costs, limit the types of financial services and products it may offer, and inhibit its ability to compete with other financial service providers. As a participant in the Treasury's Capital Purchase Program, the Corporation is subject to additional Regulation as regards executive compensation and any additional items as may be required in the future. See "Supervision, Regulation and Government Policy" in Item 1.

#### Attracting and Retaining Skilled Personnel

Attracting and retaining key personnel is critical to the Bank's success, and difficulty finding qualified personnel could have a significant impact on the Bank's business due to the lack of required skill sets and years of industry experience.

#### Local Economic Conditions

The Bank's success depends primarily on the general economic conditions of the specific local markets in which the Bank operates. Unlike larger national or other regional banks that are more geographically diversified, the Bank provides banking and financial services to customers primarily in Escambia, Monroe, and Baldwin County, Alabama, and Santa Rosa County, Florida. The local economic conditions in these areas have a significant impact on the demand for the Bank's products and services as well as the ability of the Bank's customers to repay loans, the value of the collateral securing loans and the stability of the Bank's deposit funding sources. A significant decline in general economic conditions, caused by inflation, recession, acts of terrorism, outbreak of hostilities or other international or domestic occurrences, unemployment, changes in securities markets or other factors could impact those local economic conditions and, in turn, have a material adverse effect on the Bank's financial condition and results of operations. Deterioration of local economic conditions could also pose down side risks to the fair value of the Bank's assets. See "Relative Lending Risk" in Item 1.

#### Growth Strategy

The Bank has materially completed the growth strategy that it has followed for the preceding two years. There can be no assurance that the Bank can expand its market presence or earning assets in its locations to the degree needed to overcome the added expense of operating the new locations.

#### Severe Weather, Natural Disasters, Acts of War or Terrorism And Other External Events Could Significantly Impact The Corporations Business

Severe weather, natural disasters, acts of war or terrorism and other adverse external events could have a significant impact on the Bank's ability to conduct business. Such events could affect the stability of the Bank's deposit base, restrict the ability of borrowers to repay outstanding loans, impair the value of collateral securing loans, cause significant property damage, result in loss of revenue and/or cause the Bank to incur additional expenses. Although management has established disaster recovery policies and procedures, the occurrence of any such event could have a material adverse effect on the Bank's business, which, in turn, could have a material adverse effect on the Bank's financial condition and results of operations.

#### Information Systems Integrity

The Bank relies on modern data, communication, and network systems to conduct ongoing operations. These systems could be vulnerable to internal and external attacks to the physical equipment or the raw data stored within these systems. Failures to maintain the integrity of one or more of these systems could threaten the

Bank's ability to serve customers in an effective and timely manner. The Bank maintains policies and procedures governing the access to and use of these systems in order to insulate the systems from any sort of security breach. However, any breach could have a material adverse effect on the financial position and future earnings of the Bank.

#### Technological Advancement and Implementation

The future success of the Bank is directly related to the successful implementation of new technological advancements pertaining to the banking industry. Technology continues to offer the Bank new avenues to add products for customers, as well as increase the efficiency of the Bank's internal operations. Failure to effectively manage the implementation of emerging technology could result in the loss of existing customers or limit the Bank's ability to attract new customers, thus putting pressure on the Bank's financial position and future earnings.

#### Internal Audit and Control Risk

The Bank incorporates the use of various internal audit review and internal controls to minimize the Bank's exposure to material financial misstatement or fraudulent activity. Despite the presence of these systems, the Bank is exposed to the inherent risks that are present in any similar environment, including risks that a control, or controls, could be circumvented. The Bank attempts to revise its internal audit procedures and controls as its operations evolve. However rigorously the Bank undertakes its pursuit of internal controls, this process can only provide reasonable assurance that the Bank's financial reporting doesn't include material misstatement.

#### Industry Conditions

Difficult market conditions have adversely affected our industry. The capital and credit markets have been experiencing volatility and disruption for more than twelve months. Dramatic declines in the housing market over the past year, with falling home and commercial prices, increasing foreclosures, and unemployment, have negatively impacted the credit performance of mortgage and commercial real estate loans and resulted in significant write-downs of asset values by financial institutions, including government-sponsored entities. These write-downs have caused many financial institutions to seek additional capital, to merge with larger and stronger institutions and, in some cases, to fail. Reflecting concern about the stability of the financial markets generally and the strength of counterparties, many lenders and institutional investors have reduced or ceased providing funding to borrowers, including to other financial institutions. This market turmoil and tightening of credit have led to an increased level of commercial and consumer delinquencies, lack of consumer confidence, increased market volatility, and widespread reduction of business activity in general. A worsening of these conditions would likely exacerbate the adverse effects of these difficult market conditions on the Corporation and others in the financial services industry. In particular, the Corporation may face the following risks in connection with these events:

- The Bank expects to face increased regulation of the industry, including the results of the EESA and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ("ARRA"). Compliance with such regulation may increase the Bank's costs and limit our ability to pursue business opportunities.
- Government stimulus packages and other responses to the financial crises may not stabilize the economy or financial system.
- The ability to assess the creditworthiness of the Bank's customers may be impaired if the approaches used to select, manage, and underwrite our customers become less predictive of future behaviors.

- The process used to estimate losses requires difficult, subjective, and complex judgments, including forecasts of economic conditions and how these economic predictions might impair the ability of the Bank's borrowers to repay their loans. The current economic conditions may make accurate estimation more difficult and negatively impact the reliability of this process.
- The Bank will be required to pay significantly higher Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation premiums because of its performance or because market developments have significantly depleted the insurance fund of the FDIC and reduced the ratio of reserves to insured deposits.
- The ability to engage in routine funding transactions could be adversely affected by the actions and commercial soundness of other financial institutions and government sponsored entities.

If current levels of market disruption and volatility continue or worsen, there can be no assurance that the Corporation will not experience an adverse effect on the Bank's financial position and future earnings.

#### ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

Not applicable.

#### ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

The Corporation's bank subsidiary operates seventeen full service branches and one loan production office housed in facilities either owned or leased. The offices are located in Escambia, Baldwin and Monroe Counties in Alabama and Santa Rosa County in Florida. All land, buildings and improvements held by the Corporation were transferred as a capital investment to the Bank during 2006.

Locations in Escambia County, Alabama include: Atmore (two full service banking locations) and, Flomaton, renovated in early 2008.

Locations in Baldwin County, Alabama include: Foley, Lillian, Bay Minette (2 full service locations), Silverhill, Magnolia Springs, Summerdale, Loxley (a full service branch and a loan production office) and Spanish Fort.

Locations in Monroe County, Alabama include: Monroeville and Frisco City.

Locations in Santa Rosa County, Florida include: Jay, Milton and Pace.

The Bank has acquired property on which it plans to locate a full service banking location in Spanish Fort, Alabama. The development of this location has been delayed until economic conditions improve.

#### ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

There are presently no pending legal proceedings to which the Corporation or its subsidiary, United Bank, is a party or to which any of their property is subject, which management of the Corporation based upon consultation with legal counsel believes are likely to have a material adverse effect upon the financial position of the Corporation.

#### ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

No matters were submitted to a vote of the shareholders of the Corporation during the fourth quarter of the fiscal year.

## PART II

### ITEM 5. MARKET FOR THE REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS, AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

The Corporation's authorized common shares consist of the following:

- (1) 5,000,000 shares of Class A common stock, \$.01 par value per share, of which 2,388,992 shares are issued and 2,279,669 are outstanding and held by approximately 862 shareholders of record, as of March 30, 2010.
- (2) 250,000 shares of Class B common stock, \$.01 par value per share, none of which were issued, as of March 30, 2010.

The Corporation is informed that over-the-counter market quotations reflect inter-dealer prices, without retail mark-ups, markdowns, or commissions and may not necessarily reflect actual transactions. Because of the extremely limited number of transactions involving the Corporation's common stock that have been reported on the OTCBB, the Corporation believes that any reported bid or asked price may not reflect a fair valuation of its common stock.

The Corporation declared no cash dividends during 2009 and cash dividends per common share of \$0.30 per common share in 2008. The payment of dividends is subject to the earnings and financial condition of the Corporation and other relevant factors. Dividends on the Corporation's common stock are declared and paid based on a variety of considerations by the Corporation's Board of Directors and there can be no assurance that the Corporation will continue to pay regular dividends or as to the amount of dividends if any. Payment of future dividends will depend upon business conditions, operating results, capital and reserve requirements and the Board's consideration of other relevant factors. In addition, the ability of the Corporation to pay dividends is totally dependent on dividends received from its banking subsidiary (see Note 18 to the consolidated financial statements) and is subject to statutory restrictions on dividends applicable to Delaware corporations, including the restrictions that dividends generally may be paid only from a corporation's surplus or from its net profits for the fiscal year in which the dividend is declared and the preceding year.

## ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

### INTRODUCTION

The following financial review is presented to provide an analysis of the consolidated results of operations of the Corporation and its subsidiary. This review should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements included under Item 8.

### OVERVIEW

This overview is a broad, high-level discussion of various financial measures addressed in detail in the following discussion and analysis. The items addressed, as such, do not have any more or less significance than the detailed discussion to follow.

United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. is a one-bank, bank holding company that competes in the commercial banking industry within the primary markets of Southwest Alabama and Northwest Florida. As a community bank, the Bank strives to meet the needs of the total markets it serves including, but not limited to, consumer and business banking needs, agricultural financing, mortgage products, and various insurance and investment needs.

At December 31, 2009 the Corporation had \$456,982,406 of total assets, compared to \$550,045,007 at December 31, 2008. Total deposits decreased by \$86,345,377 (17.58%) to \$404,810,249, as compared to \$491,155,626 at the end of 2008. As discussed in the 2008 Form 10-K and 2009 Form 10-Q filings, the decline was anticipated as the two temporary transactions came to their planned conclusions. The \$36 million of deposits held at December 31, 2008 for the local municipal government were dispersed for their intended use and the \$62 million of deposits held at December 31, 2008 for the local customer has likewise been dispersed to fund the construction project.

Loans at year end 2009 totaled \$283,346,171, an increase of \$3,566,295 from the \$279,779,877 recorded at December 31, 2008. The allowance for loan losses increased by \$3,843,951, to \$7,435,509 from \$3,591,558. The allowance coverage rose to 2.62% of total loans from 1.28% of total loans.

Other Real Estate owned (ORE) increased to \$7,610,689 at year end, 2009 from \$5,253,501 at the same time in 2008. This was the result of the weakened economy and the foreclosing on several problem loans by the Bank as it continued efforts to resolve the problem credits. The Corporation created a reserve for possible losses on ORE in the amount of \$1,032,000.

The investment by the Corporation in premises and equipment at the end of 2009 was lower by \$1,267,091 to \$17,589,236 from \$18,856,327 at the end of 2008. The Corporation did not add to its branch network during the year and this reduced the need for fresh purchases of equipment.

Net interest income was \$13,647,585 for the year ended December 31, 2009, as compared with \$13,622,148 for the year ended December 31, 2008, or virtually flat. Non accrual loans continued to be a drag on interest revenue. Net interest income increased in each quarter during 2009 over the prior quarter, primarily as the result of the continued lower interest rates paid on maturing time deposits. Net interest income is discussed in more detail below under Net Interest Income.

The severe economic recession begun in 2008 continued full force in 2009 as business conditions experienced by the country as a whole and the communities served by the Corporation continued to deteriorate. This caused more loans to experience problems in meeting repayment terms and a deterioration in collateral values. As a result of this

and the continuing in depth reviews of the loan portfolio, additional provisions to strengthen the allowance for losses on loans were required. The provision expense was increased to \$8,267,561 in 2009 from \$2,300,000 in 2008, or an increase of \$5,967,561 (259.46%).

Noninterest income totaled \$4,683,596 for 2009 as compared to \$4,769,523 in 2008, a decrease of \$85,927 or 1.80%. Service charges and fees on deposit accounts showed an increase of \$78,922. Gains recorded from disposition of investment portfolio securities were lower by \$88,421 and origination fees on mortgage loans were flat to 2008. Other non interest income was lower by \$67,823 as revenues from the sale of insurance and investments were lower by \$91,957.

Noninterest expense totaled \$17,321,206 for the year ended December 31, 2009, as compared to \$16,015,843 for the year ended December 31, 2008, an increase of \$1,305,363 or 8.15%. Salaries and benefits were lower by \$30,175 to \$8,517,858 (0.35%). This decrease was the result of revising staffing levels to operate more efficiently and the continuation of no bonus or salary increases. Occupancy expense was lower by \$85,901 as the Corporation restricted the purchase of new equipment and facilities resulting in lower depreciation. Other non interest expense showed an increase of \$1,421,439. During 2009 a reserve was established for the disposal of ORE and \$1,032,000 of expense was recognized to fund this as compared to no expense in 2008. Additionally, expenses for FDIC insurance premiums were \$1,293,212 in 2009 as compared to \$216,548 in 2008. This increase of \$1,076,664 combined with the provision for ORE losses accounted for the increased expenses. Expenses over which the Corporation could exercise some control; such as advertising, donations and supplies; were lower.

The Corporation reported a net loss for the year of \$4,551,588 as compared to a profit of \$545,938 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The pre tax loss in 2009 was \$7,257,586 as compared to a pre tax profit in 2008 of \$75,828. Tax benefits of \$3,228,241 and \$470,110 were recognized in 2009 and 2008 respectively. The results for 2009 include the payment of preferred dividends and associated accretion of discount related to the preferred stock in the amount of \$522,243. There were no dividends on preferred shares paid in 2008. Diluted earnings (loss) per share were (\$1.79) and \$0.24 for the periods ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 respectively.

### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States and with general practices within the banking industry, which require management to make estimates and assumptions (see Note 1 to Consolidated Financial Statements).

### ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES

Management believes that its determination of the allowance for loan losses involves a higher degree of judgment and complexity than the Bank's other significant accounting policies. Further, these estimates can be materially impacted by changes in market conditions or the actual or perceived financial condition of the Bank's borrowers, subjecting the Bank to significant volatility of earnings. The allowance for credit losses is established through a provision for loan losses, which is a charge against earnings. Provisions for loan losses are made to reserve for estimated probable losses on loans.

The allowance for loan losses is a significant estimate and is regularly evaluated by management for accuracy by taking into consideration factors such as changes in the nature and volume of the loan portfolio; trends in actual and forecasted portfolio credit quality, including delinquency, charge-off and bankruptcy rates; and current economic conditions that may affect borrowers' ability to pay. The use of different estimates or assumptions could produce different provisions for loan losses. Because current economic conditions can change and future events are inherently difficult to predict, the anticipated amount of estimated loan

losses, and therefore the appropriateness of the allowance, could change. Management believes the allowance for loan losses is appropriate and properly recorded in the financial statements. For further discussion of the allowance for loan losses, see "PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES" below, and "Summary of Loan Loss Experience" and "Allowance for Loan Losses" under "BUSINESS" above.

#### ESTIMATES OF FAIR VALUE

The estimation of fair value is significant to a number of the Corporation's assets, including, but not limited to, investment securities, other real estate owned, intangible assets and other repossessed assets. Investment securities available for sale are recorded at fair value while investment securities held to maturity are carried at cost. Other real estate owned, intangible assets, and other repossessed assets are recorded at either cost or fair value, whichever is lower. Fair values for investment securities are based on quoted market prices, and if not available, quoted prices on similar instruments. The fair values of other real estate owned and repossessions are typically determined based on third-party appraisals less estimated costs to sell. Intangible assets, such as the charter cost, are periodically evaluated to determine if any impairment might exist.

The estimation of fair value and subsequent changes of fair value of investment securities, other real estate owned, repossessions and intangible assets can have a significant impact on the value of the Corporation, as well as have an impact on the recorded values and subsequently reported net income.

Changes in interest rates is the primary determining factor in the fair value of investment securities, derivatives, and the value at which these assets are reported in the Corporation's financial statements. Local economic conditions are often the key factor in the valuation of other real estate owned and repossessed assets. Changes in these factors can cause assets to be written down and have an impact on the financial results. The overall financial condition and results of operations of the banking unit is the primary determinant as to the value of recorded intangible assets.



**NET INTEREST INCOME**  
(Dollars in Thousands)

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Interest income (1)	\$ 21,411	\$ 25,201
Interest expense	7,129	10,879
Net interest income	<u>14,282</u>	<u>14,322</u>
Provision for loan losses	<u>8,268</u>	<u>2,300</u>
Net interest income after provision for loan losses on a tax equivalent basis	6,014	12,022
Less: tax equivalent adjustment	<u>634</u>	<u>699</u>
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	<u>\$ 5,380</u>	<u>\$ 11,323</u>

(1) Income on tax-exempt obligations has been computed on a full federal tax-equivalent (FTE) basis using an income tax rate of 34% for 2009 and 2008.

Total interest income (on an FTE basis) decreased to \$21,411,086 in 2009, from \$25,201,214 in 2008, a decrease of \$3,790,128, or 15.0%. This decrease was primarily caused by the historically low Fed Funds overnight rate which was set at 0.25% for the majority of 2009. Average loans decreased \$943,449 while the average rate earned decreased 84 basis points causing an overall decrease in interest earned on loans of \$2,543,075. The average interest rate (FTE) earned on all earning assets in 2008 decreased to 4.93% from 5.86% in 2008. The interest margin decreased to 3.28% in 2009 from 3.33% in 2008. Average taxable investment securities for 2009 were \$65,760,188, as compared to \$84,812,612 for 2008, a decrease of \$19,052,424, or 22.5%. Average tax-exempt investment securities decreased \$3,323,237, or 9.8%, to \$30,579,430 in 2008 from \$33,902,668 in 2008. The average volume of federal funds sold and interest bearing deposits in other banks increased to \$52,734,510 in 2009 from \$23,970,456 in 2008, an increase of \$28,764,054 or 120.0%. The increase in fed funds sold and interest bearing deposits in other banks was primarily the result of elevated levels of deposits from the previously discussed two temporary transactions held in demand accounts throughout 2009.

Total interest expense decreased \$3,749,488 or 34.5%, to \$7,129,032 in 2009, from \$10,878,520 in 2008. This decrease was a function of the decrease in interest rates paid on deposit accounts as prevailing rates were low throughout the year. The average rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities in 2009 was 2.26% as compared to 2.90% in 2008. Average interest-bearing liabilities decreased to \$315,247,208 in 2009, from \$375,397,504 in 2007, a decrease of \$60,150,297, or 16.0%. Average savings and interest-bearing demand deposits increased \$6,471,915 or 6.1% to \$106,440,883 in 2009. Average time deposits increased to \$196,591,347 in 2008, from \$194,254,132 in 2008, an increase of \$2,067,214, or 1.1%. The average rate paid on time deposits decreased to 3.09% in 2009 from 4.08% in 2008. The Corporation issued \$10,310,000 of subordinated debentures in September of 2006 at an interest rate of LIBOR plus 1.68%. The interest rate paid on the subordinated debentures was 2.61% in 2009, a reduction from the 5.28% paid in 2008.

## PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES

The provision for loan losses is that amount necessary to maintain the allowance for loan losses at a level appropriate for the associated credit risk, as determined by management in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), in the current portfolio. The provision for loan losses increased 259.46% for the year ended December 31, 2009 to \$8,267,561 as compared to \$2,300,000 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The change in the provision maintains the allowance at a level that is determined to be appropriate by management and the board of directors of the Bank.

The allowance for loan losses at December 31, 2009 represents 2.62% of gross loans, as compared to 1.28% at December 31, 2008.

While it is the Bank's policy to charge off loans when a loss is considered probable, there exists the risk of losses which cannot be quantified precisely or attributed to particular loans or classes of loans. Because this risk is continually changing in response to factors beyond the control of the Bank, management's judgment as to the appropriateness of the allowance for loan losses is necessarily approximate and imprecise. Adjustments to the allowance for loan losses may also be required by the FDIC or the Alabama Superintendent of Banks in the course of their examinations of the Bank. Accordingly, no assurances can be given that continued evaluations of the loan portfolio in light of economic conditions then prevailing, results of upcoming examinations, or other factors will not require significant changes to the allowance.

## NONINTEREST INCOME

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Service Charge Income	\$ 1,364,164	\$ 1,238,089
Nonsufficient Fund Charges, net	2,170,331	2,217,484
Mortgage Origination Fees	159,552	168,157
Investment Securities Gains, (net)	176,316	264,737
Other	813,233	881,056
	\$ 4,683,596	\$ 4,769,523

Total noninterest income decreased \$85,927 or 1.8%, to \$4,683,596 in 2009, as compared to \$4,769,523 in 2008.

Service charges on deposit accounts increased by \$88,160 to \$616,234 in 2009 from \$528,074 in 2008 as lower rates were responsible for fewer service charges on commercial deposit accounts being offset by credits for balances maintained. Income from ATM usage fees increased by \$71,000 to \$666,856 in 2009 from \$595,856 in 2008 as the Bank increased the fee on non customer ATM transactions and ATM usage increased. Overdraft fees, net of rebated fees, declined by \$47,153 on lower volume of overdrafts. Income from brokerage for customers and insurance declined by \$91,957 to \$255,029 from \$346,986 as customers were reluctant to commit funds in the economic climate. Gains on the sale of investment securities declined to \$176,316 in 2009 from \$264,737 in 2008. In 2009 the Corporation made the decision to sell its entire portfolio of U S Government Agency Mortgage Backed Securities resulting in the gain.

## NONINTEREST EXPENSE

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Salaries and benefits	\$ 8,517,858	\$ 8,548,033
Net occupancy	2,418,913	2,504,814
Other	6,384,435	4,962,996
Total	<u>\$ 17,321,206</u>	<u>\$ 16,015,843</u>

Total noninterest expense increased \$1,305,363, or 8.2%, to \$17,321,206 in 2009 from \$16,015,843 in 2008.

Salaries and other compensation expense decreased \$30,175, or 0.35%. The Corporation did not pay a bonus in either 2009 or 2008 and did not provide salary increases in 2009. In addition, the Corporation reviewed the way it staffed certain areas which resulted in increased efficiency. Net occupancy expenses decreased to \$2,418,913 in 2009 from \$2,504,814 in 2008, a decrease of \$85,901 or 3.43%. Depreciation expenses decreased by \$53,151 as the Corporation slowed its capital expenditures. Repairs and maintenance were lower by \$65,542 as repairs were fewer and the Corporation had renewed several contracts on favorable terms. Other expenses increased to \$6,384,435 in 2009, from \$4,962,996 in 2008, an increase of \$1,421,439, or 28.64%. The expense related to FDIC insurance assessments increased by \$1,076,664 or 497.19%. Also included was the provision for losses on ORE of \$1,032,000. There was no such provision in 2008. The increase because of these two items was \$2,108,664 and was offset by net decreases in controllable expenses such as advertising (\$159,616), donations (\$56,043), professional and accounting fees (\$275,630) and travel and entertainment (\$33,364).

Basic and diluted earnings per share in 2009 were (\$1.79), as compared to \$0.24 in 2008. Return on average assets was (0.91%) in 2009, as compared to 0.11% in 2008. Return on average equity was (10.97%) in 2009, as compared to 1.67% in 2008.

## LOANS AT DECEMBER 31

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Real estate - construction	\$ 49,321,129	\$ 52,649,854
Real estate - 1-4 family residential mortgage	55,820,121	52,676,766
Real estate - commercial	61,073,450	51,733,848
Real estate - other	34,765,842	34,574,419
Agriculture	13,566,243	12,024,870
Commercial	51,989,325	57,233,574
Other loans	16,810,061	18,886,546
	<u>\$ 283,346,171</u>	<u>\$ 279,779,877</u>

Total loans increased to \$283,346,171 at December 31, 2009, from \$279,779,877 at year end 2008, an increase of \$3,566,294, or 1.27%. The ratio of loans to deposits was 70.00% at December 31, 2009 vs. 56.96% at the same date in 2008. The increase in the loan to deposit ratio was caused by the decrease in deposits of \$98 million, as the two temporary transactions discussed in the 2008 Form 10-K reached their planned conclusion.

## LIQUIDITY

One of the Bank's goals is to provide adequate funds to meet changes in loan demand or any potential increase in the normal level of deposit withdrawals. This goal is accomplished primarily by generating cash from operating activities and maintaining sufficient short-term assets. These sources, coupled with a stable deposit base, allow the Bank to fund earning assets and maintain the availability of funds. Management believes that the Bank's traditional sources of maturing loans and investment securities, cash from operating activities and a strong base of core deposits are adequate to meet the Bank's liquidity needs for normal operations. Should the Bank's traditional sources of liquidity be constrained, forcing the Bank to pursue avenues of funding not typically used, the Bank's net interest margin could be impacted negatively. Beginning early in 2008, Management identified that general systemic risks to liquidity and funding were beginning to be present in the marketplace. In response, the Corporation developed a liquidity plan that measured the ability to deal with expected cash flow needs and the ability to deal with a significantly more difficult environment or a stress case. The result has been that the Corporation has carried significantly higher levels of liquid assets during the latter half of 2008 and this trend has continued into 2009.

Additionally, the Corporation requires cash for various operating needs including dividends to shareholders, the servicing of debt and general corporate expenses. The primary source of liquidity for the Corporation is dividends from the Bank As noted in Part I, Item 1. Business, Supervision, Regulation and Government Policy, the payment of dividends from the Bank is regulated by the Alabama State Banking Department and is dependent on earnings and credit losses. Recent earnings and loan losses create a restriction on the ability of the Bank to pay dividends. Future payments of dividends by the Bank to the Corporation will be dependent on earnings, loan losses and the Alabama State Banking Department.

As previously discussed, the Corporation is a participant in the Capital Purchase Program by the U. S. Treasury. An investment in preferred stock and a common stock warrant of the Corporation in the amount of \$10.3 million was received on December 23, 2008. By December 30, 2008, \$9.3 million was transferred to the banking subsidiary as additional paid in capital and \$1 million was retained at the holding company in support of any future needs. As of December 31, 2009, approximately \$556,000 remains on deposit at the Bank.

Asset and liability management functions not only serve to assure adequate liquidity in order to meet the needs of the Bank's customers, but also to maintain an appropriate balance between interest-sensitive assets and interest-sensitive liabilities so that the Corporation can earn a return that meets the investment requirements of its shareholders. Daily monitoring of the sources and uses of funds is necessary to maintain an acceptable cash position that meets both requirements.

The asset portion of the balance sheet provides liquidity primarily through loan principal repayments, maturities of investment securities available for sale and, to a lesser extent, sales of investment securities available for sale. Other short-term investments such as federal funds sold, interest bearing deposits in other banks and securities purchased under agreements to resell, are additional sources of liquidity funding.

The liability portion of the balance sheet provides liquidity through various customers' interest bearing and noninterest bearing deposit accounts. Federal funds purchased, securities sold under agreements to repurchase, out of market CD's and other short-term borrowings are additional sources of liquidity. These sources of liquidity are short-term in nature and are used as necessary to fund asset growth and meet short-term liquidity needs.

The Corporation's bank subsidiary has an Asset Liability Committee, which has as its primary objective the maintenance of specific funding and investment strategies to achieve short-term and long-term financial goals.

The Corporation generates the majority of its cash flow from financing activities. As was anticipated, financing activities used funds during 2009 as the two temporary transactions discussed earlier came to their planned conclusions. The amount used in financing activities was \$88,674,445 in 2009. This offset the funds provided by financing activities in 2008 of \$92,221,242 primarily attributable to the presence and termination of the two temporary transactions as previously discussed. The investing activities of the Corporation used \$3,337,771 of cash flow, to fund the investment portfolio, loan portfolios, and the purchases of premises and equipment of the Bank. Operations provided \$3,157,829 in cash flow for the year ended December 31, 2009.

## CAPITAL RESOURCES

The Corporation has historically relied primarily on internally generated capital growth to maintain capital adequacy. The average equity to average assets ratio during 2009 was 8.31% as compared to 7.35% in 2008. Total stockholders' equity on December 31, 2009 was \$37,563,804, a decrease of \$4,558,837, or 10.82%, from \$42,122,641 at year end 2008. The Corporation's risk based capital of \$45,299,307, or 14.23%, of risk adjusted assets at December 31, 2009, was well above the Corporation's minimum risk based capital requirement of \$25,464,832 or 8.0% of risk weighted assets.

In March of 2006, the Federal Reserve issued a final rule providing for the inclusion of Trust Preferred securities in Tier 1 risk weighted capital, up to a limit of 25% of total Tier 1 capital. These securities comprised 24.06% of the Corporation's Tier 1 Capital as of December 31, 2009.

## ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

The Corporation's consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 and for the years thus ended are included in the following pages shown in the index below.

<u>Index to Financial Statements</u>	<u>Page(s)</u>
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Consolidated Statements of Operations for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008	F3
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**ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**

Not applicable

**ITEM 9A(T). CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

- (a) Based on evaluation of the Corporation's disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), as of the end of the period covered by this annual report, the principal executive officer and the principal financial officer of the Corporation have concluded that as of such date the Corporation's disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information the Corporation is required to disclose in its filings under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms; and to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Corporation in the reports that it files under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the Corporation's management, including its principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.
- (b) There were no significant changes in the Corporation's internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to the date of the evaluation referred to in (a) above.
- (c) This annual report does not include an attestation report of the Corporation's independent registered public accounting firm pursuant to temporary rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission that permits the Corporation to provide only management's report in this annual report.
- (d) The Corporation's management, including its principal executive officer and principal financial officer, has conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting as of the end of the period covered by this report based on the framework in Internal Control – Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

**ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION**

None

## PART III

### ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Board of Directors of the Corporation has determined that Dale M. Ash and Michael R. Andreoli are the Audit Committee Financial Experts. Mrs. Ash and Mr. Andreoli are independent as defined in the listing standards of the National Association of Security Dealers. Additional information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the Corporation's definitive Proxy Statement relating to the Corporation's 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed not later than 120 days after the year ended December 31, 2009 pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

### ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the Corporation's definitive Proxy Statement relating to the Corporation's 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed not later than 120 days after the year ended December 31, 2009 pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

### ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the Corporation's definitive Proxy Statement relating to the Corporation's 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed not later than 120 days after the year ended December 31, 2009 pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

### ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS, RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the Corporation's definitive Proxy Statement relating to the Corporation's 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed not later than 120 days after the year ended December 31, 2009 pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

### ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the Corporation's definitive Proxy Statement relating to the Corporation's 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed not later than 120 days after the year ended December 31, 2009 pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

## PART IV

### ITEM 15. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

- (a) (1) The financial statements listed in the Index to Financial Statements contained in Item 8 hereof are filed as part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.
- (2) Financial statement schedules have been omitted as inapplicable.
- (3) The Exhibits listed below are filed as part of this Report. Management contracts and compensatory plans and arrangements required to be filed pursuant to Item 15(b) are identified by an asterisk (\*).
- 1.1 Purchase Agreement, dated as of September 27, 2006, among the Registrant, United Bancorp Capital Trust II and TWE, Ltd., as Purchaser (Incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 1.1 to Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2006).
- 3.1 Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant (Incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 3a to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1988).
- 3.1.1 Certificate of Amendment to Restated Certificate of Incorporation Of the Registrant (Incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 3.1.1 to Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Quarter Ended March 31, 1999).
- 3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant (Incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1992).
- 4.1 Junior Subordinated Indenture, dated as of September 27, 2006, by and between the Registrant and Wilmington Trust Company, as Trustee (Incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 4.1 to Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2006).
- 4.2 United Bancorp Capital Trust II Amended and Restated Trust Agreement, dated as of September 27, 2006, among the Registrant, as Depositor, Wilmington Trust Company, as Property Trustee, Wilmington Trust Company, as Delaware Trustee and Robert R. Jones, III and Allen O. Jones, as Administrative Trustees (Incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 4.2 to Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2006).
- 4.3 United Bancorp Capital Trust II Guarantee Agreement, dated as of September 27, 2006, by and between the Registrant, as Guarantor and Wilmington Trust Company, as Guarantee Trustee (Incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 4.3 to Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2006).



- 4.4 Common Securities Subscription Agreement, dated as of September 27, 2006, by and between United Bancorp Capital Trust II and the Registrant (Incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 4.4 to Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2006).
- 4.5 Junior Subordinated Note Subscription Agreement, dated as of September 27, 2006, by and between United Bancorp Capital Trust II and the Registrant (Incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 4.5 to Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2006).
- 10.1 Form of Employment Agreement between United Bank and Robert R. Jones, III (Incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1997).\*
- 10.2 Supplemental Agreement between United Bank, the Registrant, and Robert R. Jones, III (Incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 10.2 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1998)\*.
- 10.3 1998 Stock Option Plan of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. (Incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 3.1.1 to Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Quarter Ended March 31, 1999).
- 10.4 1999 Employee Stock Purchase Plan of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference from Appendix A to the Registrants definitive proxy statement dated April 10, 2000)\*.
- 10.5 Supplemental Compensation and Amendment Agreement between United Bank and Robert R. Jones, III (Incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 10.4 to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Quarter Ended June 30, 2001).\*
- 10.6 United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. 2008 Equity Incentive Plan (Incorporated by reference to Appendix A to the Registrant's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 9, 2008).\*
- 10.7 First Amendment to Supplemental Compensation and Amendment Agreement between the Registrant and Robert R. Jones, III, dated as of December 12, 2008 and effective January 1, 2008 (Incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 10.12 to the Registrant's report on Form 8-K dated December 12, 2008).\*
- 21 Subsidiaries of the Registrant.
- 23 Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm (Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC)
- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer under Securities Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer under Securities Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)

- 32.1 Certificate pursuant to 18 U.S.C Section 1350
- 32.2 Certificate pursuant to 18 U.S.C Section 1350
- 99.1 Certificate pursuant to 31 C.F.R. Section 30.15 as adopted under TARP Standards for Compensation and Corporate Governance
- 99.2 Certificate pursuant to 31 C.F.R. Section 30.15 as adopted under TARP Standards for Compensation and Corporate Governance

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

UNITED BANCORPORATION OF ALABAMA, INC.  
(Registrant)

BY: /s/Robert R. Jones, III  
Robert R. Jones, III  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
March 30, 2010

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

SIGNATURES	CAPACITY IN WHICH SIGNED	DATE
<u>/s/ Robert R. Jones, III</u> Robert R. Jones, III	President, Chief Executive Officer, and Director	March 30, 2010
<u>/s/ Allen O. Jones, Jr.</u> Allen O. Jones, Jr.	Senior Vice President Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Principal Accounting Officer)	March 30, 2010
<u>/s/ William J. Justice</u> William J. Justice	Director	March 30, 2010
<u>/s/ David D. Swift</u> David D. Swift	Director	March 30, 2010
<u>/s/ Dale M. Ash</u> Dale M. Ash	Director	March 30, 2010
<u>/s/ Michael Andreoli</u> Michael Andreoli	Director	March 30, 2010
<u>/s/ L. Walter Crim</u> L. Walter Crim	Director	March 30, 2010
<u>/s/ Richard K. Maxwell</u> Richard K. Maxwell	Director	March 30, 2010

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CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS, LLC

## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors  
United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc.  
Atmore, Alabama

We have audited the consolidated balance sheets of **United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. and subsidiary** as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and comprehensive income (loss) and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. and subsidiary as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We were not engaged to examine management's assessment of the effectiveness of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009 included in the accompanying Item 9A (T), "Controls and Procedures" and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion thereon.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mauldin &amp; Jenkins, LLC".

Birmingham, Alabama  
March 30, 2010

UNITED BANCORPORATION OF ALABAMA, INC.  
AND SUBSIDIARY  
Consolidated Balance Sheets  
December 31, 2009 and 2008

Assets	2009	2008
Cash and due from banks	\$ 13,858,726	\$ 35,148,646
Interest bearing deposits in banks	40,809,385	91,773,852
Federal funds sold	0	16,600,000
Cash and short-term investments	54,668,111	143,522,498
Securities available for sale, at fair value (amortized cost of \$67,627,174 and \$84,725,733 at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively)	68,212,662	85,526,712
Securities held to maturity (market values of \$15,715,993 and \$6,596,039 respectively)	15,659,330	6,550,000
Loans	283,346,171	279,779,877
Less: Allowance for loan losses	7,435,509	3,591,558
Net loans	275,910,662	276,188,319
Premises and equipment, net	17,589,236	18,856,327
Interest receivable	2,858,122	3,253,604
Intangible assets	934,763	934,763
Other assets	21,149,520	15,212,784
Total assets	\$ 456,982,406	\$ 550,045,007
<b>Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity</b>		
Deposits:		
Non-interest bearing	\$ 121,753,295	\$ 172,291,464
Interest bearing	283,056,954	318,864,162
Total deposits	404,810,249	491,155,626
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	0	1,861,237
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta	1,445,100	1,609,900
Treasury, tax, and loan account	624,143	495,572
Interest payable	620,867	912,570
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	1,608,243	1,577,461
Note payable to Trust	10,310,000	10,310,000
Total liabilities	419,418,602	507,922,366
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock of \$.01 par value. Authorized 250,000 shares; 10,300 shares issued in 2009 and 2008 respectively	10,014,985	9,953,381
Class A common stock, \$.01 par value. Authorized 5,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding, 2,388,992 and 2,388,125 shares in 2009 and 2008, respectively	23,890	23,881
Class B common stock, \$.01 par value. Authorized 250,000 shares; no shares issued or outstanding	0	0
Additional paid in capital	6,544,079	6,342,423
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax	351,289	480,584
Retained earnings	21,685,478	26,572,188
	38,619,721	43,372,457
Less: 131,678 and 155,855 treasury shares, at cost, respectively	1,055,917	1,249,816
Total stockholders' equity	37,563,804	42,122,641
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 456,982,406	\$ 550,045,007

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements

**UNITED BANCORPORATION OF ALABAMA, INC.  
AND SUBSIDIARY**

Consolidated Statement of Operations  
Years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Interest income:		
Interest and fees on loans	\$ 17,013,596	\$ 19,556,671
Interest on investment securities:		
Taxable	2,283,501	3,062,502
Nontaxable	1,231,617	1,359,884
Total investment income	<u>3,515,118</u>	<u>4,422,386</u>
Other interest income	247,903	521,611
Total interest income	<u>20,776,617</u>	<u>24,500,668</u>
Interest expense:		
Interest on deposits	6,770,052	9,373,000
Interest on other borrowed funds	358,980	1,505,520
Total interest expense	<u>7,129,032</u>	<u>10,878,520</u>
Net interest income	13,647,585	13,622,148
Provision for loan losses	<u>8,267,561</u>	<u>2,300,000</u>
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	<u>5,380,024</u>	<u>11,322,148</u>
Noninterest income:		
Service charge on deposits	3,534,495	3,455,573
Investment securities gains, net	176,316	264,737
Mortgage loan and related fees	159,552	168,157
Other	813,233	881,056
Total noninterest income	<u>4,683,596</u>	<u>4,769,523</u>
Noninterest expense:		
Salaries and benefits	8,517,858	8,548,033
Net occupancy expense	2,418,913	2,504,814
Other	6,384,435	4,962,996
Total noninterest expense	<u>17,321,206</u>	<u>16,015,843</u>
Earnings (loss) before income tax benefits	(7,257,586)	75,828
Income tax benefits	<u>(3,228,241)</u>	<u>(470,110)</u>
Net earnings (losses)	(4,029,345)	545,938
Preferred stock dividends	460,639	-
Accretion on preferred stock discount	61,604	-
Net earnings (losses) available to common shareholders	<u>\$ (4,551,588)</u>	<u>\$ 545,938</u>
Basic earnings (losses) per share	(\$1.79)	\$0.24
Basic weighted average shares outstanding	2,245,098	2,251,179
Diluted earnings (losses) per share	(\$1.79)	\$0.24
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	2,245,098	2,254,513

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements

**UNITED BANCORPORATION OF ALABAMA, INC.**  
**AND SUBSIDIARY**  
Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity and Comprehensive Income (Loss)  
Years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

	Preferred Stock	Common Shares	Common stock	Additional paid in Capital	Retained earnings	Accumulated other comprehensive income	Treasury stock	Total stockholders' equity	Comprehensive income (loss)
Balance December 31, 2007	\$ -	2,383,097	\$ 23,831	\$ 5,864,964	\$ 26,700,500	\$ 122,105	\$ (790,010)	\$ 31,921,390	
Net earnings					545,938			545,938	\$ 545,938
Other comprehensive income (Note 20)						358,479		358,479	\$ 358,479
Comprehensive income									\$ 904,417
Cash dividends declared (\$.30 per share)					(674,250)			(674,250)	
Exercise of stock options		634	6	9,979				9,985	
Sale of common stock (ESPP)		440	4	6,728				6,732	
Treasury shares issued to dividend reinvestment plan				81,442			43,917	125,359	
Purchased Treasury Stock							(94,923)	(94,923)	
Received stock to satisfy loan outstanding							(408,800)	(408,800)	
Stock-based compensation		3,954	40	32,691				32,731	
Preferred Stock Issued to US Treasury Dept	9,953,381			346,619				10,300,000	
Balance December 31, 2008	\$ 9,953,381	2,388,125	\$ 23,881	\$ 6,342,423	\$ 26,572,188	\$ 480,584	\$ (1,249,816)	\$ 42,122,641	
Net earnings					(4,029,345)			(4,029,345)	\$ (4,029,345)
Other comprehensive loss (Note 20)						(129,295)		(129,295)	\$ (129,295)
Comprehensive loss									\$ (4,158,640)
Sale of common stock (ESPP)		425	4	5,126				5,130	
Treasury shares issued to dividend reinvestment plan				13,770			16,168	29,938	
Treasury shares issued as stock dividend				151,360	(329,091)		177,731		
Cash portion of stock dividend (fractional shares)					(6,031)			(6,031)	
Stock-based compensation		442	5	31,400				31,405	
Accretion on preferred stock discount	61,604				(61,604)				
Preferred stock dividends paid					(460,639)			(460,639)	
Balance December 31, 2009	\$ 10,014,985	2,388,992	\$ 23,890	\$ 6,544,079	\$ 21,685,478	\$ 351,289	\$ (1,055,917)	\$ 37,563,804	

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements



**UNITED BANCORPORATION OF ALABAMA, INC.  
AND SUBSIDIARY**

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows  
Years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net earnings (losses)	\$ (4,029,345)	\$ 545,938
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings (losses) to net cash provided by operating activities		
Provision for loan losses	8,267,561	2,300,000
Depreciation of premises and equipment	1,318,646	1,375,022
Net (accretion) amortization of premium / discount on investment securities available for sale	138,424	(811,325)
Net amortization of premium on investment securities held to maturity	178,013	-
Gain on sales of investment securities available for sale, net	(176,316)	(264,737)
(Gain) loss on sale of other real estate	(8,797)	1,045
Stock-based compensation	31,405	32,731
(Gain) loss on disposal of equipment	9,790	(14,316)
Increase in deferred income taxes	(2,738,799)	(625,263)
Provision for other real estate losses	1,032,000	-
Writedown of other real estate	4,500	85,000
Decrease in interest receivable	395,482	698,473
(Increase) decrease in other assets	1,290,510	(207,330)
Increase in special three year Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation prepaid deposit assessment	(2,294,324)	-
Decrease in interest payable	(291,703)	(248,792)
Increase in accrued expenses and other liabilities	30,782	242,250
Net cash provided by operating activities	3,157,829	3,108,696
Cash flows from investing activities		
Proceeds from maturities, calls, and principal repayments of investment securities available for sale	41,456,614	1,122,276,179
Proceeds from maturities, calls, and principal repayments of investment securities held to maturity	13,315,000	-
Proceeds from sales of investment securities available for sale	10,849,262	19,461,248
Purchases of investment securities available for sale	(35,187,842)	(1,116,905,637)
Purchases of investment securities held to maturity	(22,602,343)	(6,550,000)
Net increase in loans	(11,874,427)	(20,913,368)
Purchases of premises and equipment, net	(69,345)	(3,432,055)
Proceeds from sale of premises and equipment	8,000	23,600
Proceeds from sale of other real estate	767,310	113,279
Net cash used in investing activities	(3,337,771)	(5,926,754)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Net increase (decrease) in deposits	(86,345,377)	122,253,061
Net decrease in securities sold under agreements to repurchase	(1,861,237)	(39,342,614)
Cash dividends - preferred stock	(460,639)	-
Cash dividends - common stock	(6,031)	(675,462)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	-	9,985
Purchase of treasury stock	-	(94,923)
Proceeds from sale of common stock	5,130	6,732
Proceeds from sale of treasury stock	29,938	125,359
Repayments of advances from FHLB Atlanta	(164,800)	(164,800)
Proceeds from CPP funds provided by U.S. Treasury	-	10,300,000
Increase (decrease) in other borrowed funds	128,571	(196,096)
Net cash provided by financing activities	(88,674,445)	92,221,242
Net increase (decrease) in cash and short-term investments	(88,854,387)	89,403,183
Cash and short-term investments, beginning of period	143,522,498	54,119,315
Cash and short-term investments, end of period	\$ 54,668,111	\$ 143,522,498
Supplemental disclosures		
Cash paid during the period for:		
Interest	\$ 7,420,735	\$ 13,338,614
Income taxes	55,984	94,454
Noncash transactions		
Transfer of loans to other real estate through foreclosure	\$ 3,884,523	\$ 5,172,049
Transfer of loans to treasury stock in satisfaction of loans	-	408,000

**UNITED BANCORPORATION OF ALABAMA, INC.  
AND SUBSIDIARY**

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements  
December 31, 2009 and 2008

**(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

***Nature of Business***

United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. (the Corporation) is a bank holding company whose principal activity is the ownership and management of its wholly-owned subsidiary, United Bank (the Bank). United Bank is a commercial bank with headquarters in Atmore, Alabama. The Bank provides a full range of banking services in its primary market areas of Baldwin, Escambia, and Monroe Counties, Alabama, and Santa Rosa County, Florida.

***Principles of Consolidation***

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. and United Bank, collectively referred to as the Corporation. Significant inter-company balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

***Market Concentrations***

The Corporation operates primarily in one business segment, commercial banking, in Southwest Alabama and Northwest Florida.

***Basis of Presentation***

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In preparing the financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the balance sheet and revenues and expenses for the period. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates.

Material estimates that are particularly susceptible to significant change in the near term relate to the determination of the allowance for loan losses, other real estate, deferred taxes, the valuation of other than temporary impairment for investment securities, and the fair value of financial instruments.

The Corporation has evaluated all transactions, events, and circumstances for consideration or disclosure through March 30, 2010, the date these financial statements were issued and has reflected or disclosed those items within the consolidated financial statements and related footnotes as deemed appropriate.

***Reclassification***

Certain amounts in the 2008 consolidated financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2009 presentation.

***Fair Value of Financial Instruments***

Fair values of financial instruments are estimates using relevant market information and other assumptions, as more fully disclosed in Note 18. Fair value estimates involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment. Changes in assumptions or in market conditions could significantly affect the estimates.

### ***Cash and Short-Term Investments***

The Corporation considers due from banks, interest-bearing deposits in banks, and federal funds sold to be cash and short-term investments. Federal funds are generally sold for one-day periods.

### ***Investment Securities***

Investment securities are classified in one of three portfolios: (i) trading account securities, (ii) securities available for sale, or (iii) securities held to maturity. Trading account securities are stated at fair value. Investment securities available for sale are stated at fair value with any unrealized gains and losses reported in a separate component of stockholders' equity, net of tax effect, until realized. Once realized, gains and losses on investment securities available for sale are reflected in current period earnings. Investment securities held to maturity are stated at cost adjusted for amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts. As of December 31, 2009, the Corporation had \$68,213,000 of investment securities, or approximately 81%, classified as securities available for sale and \$15,659,000, or approximately 19%, classified as securities held to maturity. As of December 31, 2008, the Corporation had \$85,527,000 of investment securities, or approximately 93%, classified as securities available for sale and \$6,550,000, or approximately 7%, classified as securities held to maturity.

The Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") related to the recognition and presentation of other-than-temporary impairment (FASB ASC 320-10). See the "Recent Accounting Pronouncement" section for additional information.

Prior to the adoption of the recent accounting guidance on April 1, 2009, management considered, in determining whether other-than-temporary impairment exists, (1) the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, (2) the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, and (3) the intent and ability of the Company to retain its investment in the issuer for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in fair value.

Net gains and losses on the sale of investment securities available for sale, computed using the specific identification method, are shown separately in noninterest income in the consolidated statements of operations. Accretion of discounts and amortization of premiums are calculated on the effective interest method over the anticipated life of the security.

A decline in the fair value of any security below amortized cost that is deemed other than temporary is charged to income resulting in the establishment of a new cost basis for the security.

### ***Restricted Equity Securities***

The Corporation is required to maintain an investment in capital stock of various entities. Based on redemption provisions of these entities, the stock has no quoted market value and is carried at cost. At their discretion, these entities may declare dividends on the stock. Management reviews for impairment based on the ultimate recoverability of the cost basis in these stocks.

### ***Loans***

Interest income on loans is credited to earnings based on the principal amount outstanding at the respective rate of interest. Accrual of interest on loans is discontinued when a loan becomes contractually past due by 90 days or more with respect to interest or principal, unless, after analysis it is determined that the interest is well secured and in the process of collection. When a loan is placed on nonaccrual status, all interest previously accrued, but not collected, is charged against current period interest income, unless, after analysis it is determined that the interest is well secured and in the process of collection. Income on such loans is then recognized only to the extent that cash is received and where the future collection of principal is probable. Interest accruals are recorded on such loans only when they are brought fully current with respect to interest and principal and when, in the judgment of management, the loans are estimated to be fully collectible as to both principal and interest.

As of December 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, approximately 57% and 52%, respectively, of the Corporation's loans were commercial loans. The Corporation's commercial customers are primarily small to middle market

enterprises. The Corporation also specializes in agricultural loans, which represented approximately 16% and 17% of the Corporation's total loans at both December 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively.

### ***Allowance for Loan Losses***

Management considers a loan to be impaired when it is probable that the Corporation will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. When a loan is considered impaired, the amount of impairment is measured based on the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate. If the loan is collateral-dependent, the fair value of the collateral is used to determine the amount of impairment. Impairment losses are included in the allowance for loan losses through a charge to the provision for loan losses. Impaired loans are charged off against the allowance when such loans are deemed to be uncollectible. Subsequent recoveries are added to the allowance.

When a loan is considered impaired, cash receipts are applied under the contractual terms of the loan agreement, first to principal and then to interest income. Once the recorded principal balance has been reduced to zero, future cash receipts are recognized as interest income, to the extent that any interest has not been recognized. Any further cash receipts are recorded as recoveries of any amount previously charged off.

A loan is also considered impaired if its terms are modified in a troubled debt restructuring. For those accruing restructuring loans, cash receipts are typically applied to principal and interest receivable in accordance with the terms of the restructured loan agreement. Interest income is recognized on these loans using the accrual method of accounting.

The ultimate ability to collect a substantial portion of the Corporation's loan portfolio is susceptible to changes in economic and market conditions in the geographic area served by the Corporation and various other factors.

Additions to the allowance for loan losses are based on management's evaluation of the loan portfolio under current economic conditions, past loan loss experience and such other factors, which, in management's judgment, deserve recognition in estimating loan losses. Loans are charged-off when, in the opinion of management, such loans are deemed to be uncollectible. Subsequent recoveries are added to the allowance.

### ***Premises and Equipment***

Land is carried at cost. Premises and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

### ***Other Real Estate***

Other real estate represents property acquired through foreclosure or deeded to the Corporation in lieu of foreclosure on real estate mortgage loans on which borrowers have defaulted. Other real estate is carried in other assets at the lower of cost or fair value, adjusted for estimated selling costs. Reductions in the balance of other real estate at the date of foreclosure are charged to the allowance for loan losses. Subsequent valuation decreases in the carrying value of other real estate as well as costs to carry other real estate are recognized as charges to noninterest expense. In 2009, recognizing the uncertain valuation of real estate, the Corporation established a reserve for losses on ORE of \$1,032,000 by making a charge to expense. As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, the Corporation had \$7,610,689 (net of reserve) and \$5,523,501, respectively, in other real estate which are included in other assets in the consolidated balance sheets.

### ***Intangible Assets***

Intangible assets represent purchased assets that lack physical substance but can be identified because of contractual or other legal rights. Under the provisions of FASB ASC 350, intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are not amortized, but instead are tested for impairment at least annually. Intangible assets that have finite lives are amortized over their estimated useful lives and are also subject to impairment testing. The Corporation's intangible assets have indefinite useful lives and are not subject to amortization. See Note 7 for summaries of the Corporation's intangible assets.

## ***Income Taxes***

The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with income tax accounting guidance (FASB ASC 740, *Income Taxes*). On January 1, 2009, the Company adopted the recent accounting guidance related to accounting for uncertainty in income taxes, which sets out a consistent framework to determine the appropriate level of tax reserves to maintain for uncertain tax positions.

The Corporation accounts for income taxes under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date.

## ***Stock Based Compensation***

At December 31, 2009, the Corporation had options and other equity awards outstanding as defined by two stock-based employee compensation plans, which are described more fully in Note 14. The Corporation accounts for its stock based compensation plans under stock compensation accounting guidance (FASB ASC 718, *Compensation – Stock compensation*). This guidance requires that the compensation cost relating to share-based payment transactions be recognized in financial statements. That cost will be measured based on the grant date fair value of the equity or liability instruments issued. The stock compensation accounting guidance covers a wide range of share-based compensation arrangements including stock options, restricted share plans, performance-based awards, share appreciation rights, and employee share purchase plans.

The stock compensation accounting guidance requires that compensation cost for all stock awards be calculated and recognized over the employees' service period, generally defined as the vesting period. For awards with graded-vesting, compensation cost is recognized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period for the entire award. A Black-Scholes model is used to estimate the fair value of stock options, while the market price of the Corporation's common stock at the date of grant is used for restricted stock awards and stock grants.

## ***Earnings (Losses) per Share***

Basic and diluted earnings (losses) per share are computed on the weighted average number of shares outstanding in accordance with FASB ASC 260, *Earnings Per Share*. Note 15 provides additional disclosure information regarding earnings per share.

## ***Recent Accounting Pronouncements***

Effective July 1, 2009, the Corporation adopted a new accounting guidance related to U.S. GAAP (FASB ASC 105, *Generally Accepted Accounting Principles*). This guidance establishes FASB ASC as the source of authoritative U.S. GAAP recognized by FASB to be applied by nongovernmental entities. Rules and interpretive releases of the SEC under authority of federal securities laws are also sources of authoritative U.S. GAAP for SEC registrants. FASB ASC supersedes all existing non-SEC accounting and reporting standards. All other non-grandfathered, non-SEC accounting literature not included in FASB ASC has become nonauthoritative. FASB will no longer issue new standards in the form of Statements, FASB Staff Positions, or Emerging Issues Task Force Abstracts. Instead, it will issue Accounting Standards Updates (ASUs), which will serve to update FASB ASC, provide background information about the guidance, and provide the basis for conclusions on the changes to FASB ASC. FASB ASC is not intended to change U.S. GAAP or any requirements of the SEC. This guidance is effective for the Corporation as of December 31, 2009.

Effective April 1, 2009, the Corporation adopted new accounting guidance related to recognition and presentation of other-than-temporary impairment (FASB ASC 320-10). This recent accounting guidance amends the recognition

guidance for other-than-temporary impairments of debt securities and expands the financial statement disclosures for other-than-temporary impairment losses on debt and equity securities. The recent guidance replaced the “intent and ability” indication in current guidance by specifying that (a) if a company does not have the intent to sell a debt security prior to recovery and (b) it is more likely than not that it will not have to sell the debt security prior to recovery, the security would not be considered other-than-temporarily impaired unless there is a credit loss. When an entity does not intend to sell the security, and it is more likely than not, the entity will not have to sell the security before recovery of its cost basis, it will recognize the credit component of an other-than-temporary impairment of a debt security in earnings and the remaining portion in other comprehensive income. For held-to-maturity debt securities, the amount of an other-than-temporary impairment recorded in other comprehensive income for the noncredit portion of a previous other-than-temporary impairment should be amortized prospectively over the remaining life of the security on the basis of the timing of future estimated cash flows of the security.

The Corporation adopted accounting guidance related to fair value measurements and disclosures (FASB ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*). This guidance defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. This guidance establishes a fair value hierarchy about the assumptions used to measure fair value and clarifies assumptions about risk and the effect of a restriction on the sale or use of an asset. The effect of adoption was not material.

FASB issued ASU 2009-05 (FASB ASC 820) which describes the valuation techniques companies should use to measure the fair value of liabilities for which there is limited observable market data. If a quoted price in an active market is not available for an identical liability, an entity should use one of the following approaches: (1) the quoted price of the identical liability when traded as an asset, (2) quoted prices for similar liabilities or similar liabilities when traded as an asset, or (3) another valuation technique that is consistent with the accounting guidance in FASB ASC for fair value measurements and disclosures. When measuring the fair value of liabilities, this guidance reiterates that companies should apply valuation techniques that maximize the use of relevant observable inputs, which is consistent with existing accounting provisions for fair value measurements. In addition, this guidance clarifies when an entity should adjust quoted prices of identical or similar assets that are used to estimate the fair value of liabilities. This guidance is effective for the Corporation as of December 31, 2009 with adoption applied prospectively.

In addition, the following accounting pronouncement was issued by FASB, but is not yet effective:

FASB issued accounting guidance (FASB Statement No. 166) which modifies certain guidance contained in the *Transfers and Servicing* topic of FASB ASC (FASB ASC 860). This standard eliminates the concept of qualifying special purpose entities, provides guidance as to when a portion of a transferred financial asset can be evaluated for sale accounting, provides additional guidance with regard to accounting for transfers of financial assets, and requires additional disclosures. This guidance is effective for the Corporation as of January 1, 2010, with adoption applied prospectively for transfers that occur on or after the effective date.

## **(2) Cash and Due From Banks**

The Bank is required by the Federal Reserve Bank to maintain daily cash balances. These balances were \$425,000 at both December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

(3) **Investment Securities**

The amortized cost and fair value of investment securities available for sale at December 31, 2009 and 2008 were as follows:

	<u>Amortized cost</u>	<u>Gross unrealized gains</u>	<u>Gross unrealized losses</u>	<u>Fair value</u>
<b>2009:</b>				
U.S. Treasury securities	\$ 3,024,364	\$ 3,132	\$ (777)	\$ 3,026,719
U.S. government sponsored agencies	36,040,571	444,446	(16,504)	36,468,513
State and political subdivisions	28,552,086	517,459	(355,405)	28,714,140
Mortgage-backed securities	—	—	—	—
Equity securities	10,153	—	(6,863)	3,290
	<u>\$ 67,627,174</u>	<u>\$ 965,037</u>	<u>\$ (379,549)</u>	<u>\$ 68,212,662</u>
<b>2008:</b>				
U.S. government sponsored agencies	\$ 38,977,901	\$ 574,397	\$ —	\$ 39,552,298
State and political subdivisions	33,040,244	511,299	(428,646)	33,122,897
Mortgage-backed securities	12,707,588	193,462	(49,533)	12,851,517
	<u>\$ 84,725,733</u>	<u>\$ 1,279,158</u>	<u>\$ (478,179)</u>	<u>\$ 85,526,712</u>

The amortized cost and fair value of investment securities held to maturity at December 31, 2009 and 2008 were as follows:

	<u>Amortized cost</u>	<u>Gross unrealized gains</u>	<u>Gross unrealized losses</u>	<u>Fair value</u>
<b>2009:</b>				
U.S. government sponsored agency securities	\$ 15,424,330	\$ 105,554	\$ (48,891)	\$ 15,480,993
Other domestic debt securities	235,000	—	—	235,000
	<u>\$ 15,659,330</u>	<u>\$ 105,554</u>	<u>\$ (48,891)</u>	<u>\$ 15,715,993</u>

	<u>Amortized cost</u>	<u>Gross unrealized gains</u>	<u>Gross unrealized losses</u>	<u>Fair value</u>
<b>2008:</b>				
U.S. government sponsored agency securities	\$ 6,050,000	\$ 46,539	\$ (500)	\$ 6,096,039
Other domestic debt securities	500,000	—	—	500,000
	<u>\$ 6,550,000</u>	<u>\$ 46,539</u>	<u>\$ (500)</u>	<u>\$ 6,596,039</u>

Management evaluates securities for other-than-temporary impairment at least on a quarterly basis, and more frequently when economic or market concerns warrant such evaluation. Consideration is given to (1) the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, (2) the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, and (3) the intent and ability of the Corporation to retain its investment in the issuer for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in fair value. All securities with unrealized losses are deemed to be other-than-temporarily impaired as the primary source of the unrealized loss is associated prevailing interest rates and not the credit worthiness of the debt issuer.



Those investment securities classified as available for sale which have an unrealized loss position at December 31, 2009 and 2008 are detailed below:

**2009**

Description of Securities	Less than 12 months		12 months or more		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized losses	Fair Value	Unrealized losses	Fair Value	Unrealized losses
U.S. Treasury securities	\$ 2,025,312	\$ 777	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 2,025,312	\$ 777
U.S. government sponsored agencies	5,035,326	16,504	—	—	5,035,326	16,504
State and political subdivisions	4,412,702	75,555	2,204,792	279,850	6,617,494	355,405
Equity securities	3,290	6,863			3,290	6,863
Total temporarily impaired securities	<u>\$ 11,476,630</u>	<u>\$ 99,699</u>	<u>\$ 2,204,792</u>	<u>\$ 279,850</u>	<u>\$ 13,681,422</u>	<u>\$ 379,549</u>

**2008**

Description of Securities	Less than 12 months		12 months or more		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized losses	Fair Value	Unrealized losses	Fair Value	Unrealized losses
U.S. Government sponsored agencies & mortgage-backed securities	\$ 2,453,105	\$ 27,224	\$ 1,191,568	\$ 22,309	\$ 3,644,673	\$ 49,533
State and political subdivisions	7,843,035	387,848	1,218,280	40,798	9,061,315	428,646
Total temporarily impaired securities	<u>\$ 10,296,140</u>	<u>\$ 415,072</u>	<u>\$ 2,409,848</u>	<u>\$ 63,107</u>	<u>\$ 12,705,988</u>	<u>\$ 478,179</u>

Those investment securities classified as held to maturity which have an unrealized loss position at December 31, 2009 and 2008 are detailed below:

Description of Securities	2009		2009		2009	
	Less than 12 months		12 months or more		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized losses	Fair Value	Unrealized losses	Fair Value	Unrealized losses
U.S. Government sponsored agencies	\$ 2,967,310	\$ 48,891	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 2,967,310	\$ 48,891
State and political subdivisions	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total temporarily impaired securities	\$ 2,967,310	\$ 48,891	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 2,967,310	\$ 48,891

Description of Securities	2008		2008		2008	
	Less than 12 months		12 months or more		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized losses	Fair Value	Unrealized losses	Fair Value	Unrealized losses
U.S. Government sponsored agencies	\$ 999,500	\$ 500	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 999,500	\$ 500
State and political subdivisions	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total temporarily impaired securities	\$ 999,500	\$ 500	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 999,500	\$ 500

Management evaluates securities for other-than-temporary impairment at least on a quarterly basis, and more frequently when economic or market concerns warrant such evaluation. Consideration is given to (1) the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, (2) the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, and (3) the intent and ability of the Corporation to retain its investment in the issuer for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in fair value. All securities with unrealized losses are deemed to be other-than-temporarily impaired as the primary source of the unrealized loss is associated prevailing interest rates and not the credit worthiness of the debt issuer.

The amortized cost and fair value of investment securities available for sale at December 31, 2009, categorized by contractual maturity are shown below.

	Available for sale		Held to maturity	
	Amortized cost	Fair value	Amortized cost	Fair value
Investment securities due in or after:				
Due in one year or less	\$ 1,500,036	\$ 1,502,434	\$ 235,000	\$ 235,000
Due after one year through five years	34,321,586	34,750,112	6,025,212	6,097,888
Due after five years through ten years	22,440,716	22,746,708	9,399,118	9,383,105
Due after ten years	9,364,836	9,213,408	—	—
Total	\$ 67,627,174	\$ 68,212,662	\$ 15,659,330	\$ 15,715,993

The gross gains and gross losses realized by the Corporation from sales of investment securities available for sale for the twelve months ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 were as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Gross gains realized	\$ 193,603	\$ 264,975
Gross losses realized	<u>(17,287)</u>	<u>(238)</u>
Net gain realized	<u>\$ 176,316</u>	<u>\$ 264,737</u>

Investment securities available for sale with fair values of \$36,685,206 and \$40,366,404 at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, were pledged to secure public and trust deposits as required by law and for other purposes.

Investment securities held to maturity with amortized costs of \$15,424,330 and \$1,050,000 at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, were pledged to secure public and trust deposits as required by law and for other purposes.

Restricted equity securities (included in Other assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheet) consist of the following as of December 31, 2009 and 2008:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	\$ 1,064,400	\$ 903,900
First National Bankers' Bank stock	<u>825,000</u>	<u>525,000</u>
	<u>\$ 1,889,400</u>	<u>\$ 1,428,900</u>

#### (4) Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses

At December 31, 2009 and 2008, the composition of the loan portfolio was as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Real estate - construction	\$ 49,321,129	\$ 52,649,854
Real estate - 1-4 family residential mortgage	55,820,121	52,676,766
Real estate - commercial	61,073,450	51,733,848
Real estate - other	34,765,842	34,574,419
Agriculture	13,566,243	12,024,870
Commercial	51,989,325	57,233,574
Other loans	<u>16,810,061</u>	<u>18,886,546</u>
	<u>\$ 283,346,171</u>	<u>\$ 279,779,877</u>

Changes in the allowance for loan losses for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 are as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 3,591,558	\$ 3,981,922
Provision charged to earnings	8,267,561	2,300,000
Less loans charged-off	(4,526,727)	(2,754,386)
Plus loan recoveries	<u>103,117</u>	<u>64,022</u>
Net charge-offs	<u>(4,423,610)</u>	<u>(2,690,364)</u>
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 7,435,509</u>	<u>\$ 3,591,558</u>

The following is a summary of information pertaining to impaired loans, nonaccrual loans, and loans past due ninety days or more:

	<b>As of and for the Years Ended</b>	
	<b>December 31,</b>	
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
Impaired loans with a valuation allowance	\$ 18,405,768	\$ 14,431,827
Impaired loans without a valuation allowance	30,634,043	6,717,490
<b>Total impaired loans</b>	<b>\$ 49,039,811</b>	<b>\$ 21,149,317</b>
Valuation allowance related to impaired loans	\$ 5,062,293	\$ 1,577,292
<b>Total nonaccrual loans</b>	<b>18,992,772</b>	<b>14,699,556</b>
<b>Total loans past due ninety days or more and still accruing</b>	<b>210,875</b>	<b>28,436</b>
<b>Troubled debt restructured loans</b>	<b>1,657,134</b>	<b>1,105,782</b>

The average amount of impaired loans for the year 2009 and 2008 totaled approximately, \$26,146,726 and \$16,429,746, respectively. If impaired loans had been current throughout their terms, interest income would have been increased by \$1,007,702 and \$862,019, for 2009 and 2008, respectively. There was \$1,704,552 of interest income recognized from impaired loans for the year ended December 31, 2009. There was no significant amount of interest income recognized from impaired loans for the year ended December 31, 2008.

During 2009, certain executive officers and directors of the Corporation, including their immediate families and companies with which they are associated, were loan customers of the Bank. Total loans outstanding and available lines of credit to these related parties at December 31, 2009 and 2008, totaled \$4,204,151 and \$2,900,612, respectively. Such loans are made in the ordinary course of business at normal credit terms, including interest rate and collateral requirements, and do not represent more than a normal credit risk.

**(5) Foreclosed Assets**

A summary of foreclosed assets for the years ending December 31, 2009 and 2008 are presented as follows:

	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 5,523,501	\$ 550,776
Additions	3,882,200	5,172,049
Disposals	(758,512)	(114,324)
Provision for losses	(1,032,000)	—
Writedowns	(4,500)	(85,000)
<b>Balance, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 7,610,689</b>	<b>\$ 5,523,501</b>
United Bank financed disposals	\$ 237,060	\$ —

Expenses applicable to foreclosed assets for the year ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 are as follows:

	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
Net (gain) loss on sales of other real estate	\$ (8,798)	\$ 1,045
Provision for other real estate losses	1,032,000	—
Writedown of other real estate	4,500	85,000
Operating expenses, net of lease income	174,450	196,165
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,202,152</b>	<b>\$ 282,210</b>

(6) **Premises and Equipment**

At December 31, 2009 and 2008, premises and equipment were as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Land	\$ 5,278,831	\$ 5,258,831
Buildings and leasehold improvements (depreciated over 5 to 50 years)	15,694,277	15,748,566
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment (depreciated over 3 to 10 years)	8,005,873	7,952,191
Automobiles (depreciated over 3 years)	104,883	104,883
Construction in process	64,371	101,663
	<u>29,148,235</u>	<u>29,166,134</u>
Less accumulated depreciation	11,558,999	10,309,807
	<u>\$ 17,589,236</u>	<u>\$ 18,856,327</u>

The balance of 2009 construction in process is associated with building projects and consists of architect and engineering fees for the construction of a building for future expansion. The completion of this project has been delayed for the duration of the current economic downturn.

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 was \$1,318,646 and \$1,375,022, respectively.

(7) **Intangible Assets**

*Florida Charter* - On July 2, 2004, the Corporation acquired a State of Florida banking charter from a financial institution. Subsequent to the purchase, the charter was terminated but the Corporation retained the legal right to branch into Florida through its existing Alabama bank charter. The Corporation accounts for the charter cost as an indefinite lived intangible asset because the legal right acquired does not have an expiration date under Florida banking laws and there is no renewal process to keep the branching rights. The Corporation tests the intangible asset each September 30 for impairment. At December 31, 2009, the Corporation operates three branch offices in Florida.

For the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, no impairment was recorded related to the intangible asset. As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, the Corporation had recorded \$917,263 in intangible assets related to the cost of the charter.

*Internet Domain Address* – On March 21, 2007, the Bank purchased the rights to the internet domain name www.unitedbank.com for \$17,500. This internet domain is defined as an intangible asset with an indefinite life under FASB ASC 350 and, as such, is not required to be amortized over any period of time.

**(8) Deposits**

At December 31, 2009 and 2008, deposits were as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Noninterest bearing accounts	\$ 121,753,295	\$ 172,291,464
NOW accounts	61,964,769	87,291,512
Money market investment accounts	15,031,727	19,158,033
Savings account	19,180,797	17,192,088
Time deposits:		
Time deposits less than \$100,000	112,479,478	113,501,663
Time deposits greater than \$100,000	74,400,183	81,720,866
Total deposits	<u>\$ 404,810,249</u>	<u>\$ 491,155,626</u>

As discussed in the 2008 Form 10-K and 2009 Form 10-Q filings, the decline was anticipated as the two temporary transactions came to their planned conclusions. The \$36 million of deposits held at December 31, 2008 for the local municipal government were dispersed for their intended use and the \$62 million of deposits held at December 31, 2008 for the local customer has likewise been dispersed to fund the construction project.

At December 31, 2009 and 2008 interest expense on deposits was as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
NOW accounts	\$ 531,382	\$ 963,679
Money market investment accounts	132,407	422,292
Savings accounts	39,152	42,672
Time deposits:		
Time deposit less than \$100,000	4,938,664	5,877,791
Time deposit greater than \$100,000	1,128,447	2,066,566
Total interest expense on deposits	<u>\$ 6,770,052</u>	<u>\$ 9,373,000</u>

At December 31, 2009, the contractual maturities of time deposits are as follows:

Due in 2010	\$ 145,692,463
Due in 2011	30,809,770
Due in 2012	6,870,172
Due in 2013 or later	2,041,542
Due in 2014 or later	1,465,714
	<u>\$ 186,879,661</u>

**(9) Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase**

The maximum amount of outstanding securities sold under agreements to repurchase during 2009 and 2008 was \$0 and \$1,861,237, respectively. The weighted average borrowing rate at December 31, 2009 and 2008 was 0.00%. The average amount of outstanding securities sold under agreements to repurchase during 2009 and 2008 was \$5,099 and \$68,257,308 respectively. The weighted average borrowing rate during the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 was 0.00% and 1.22% respectively. Securities underlying these agreements are under the Corporation's control.

**(10) Participation in U.S. Treasury Capital Purchase Program**

On December 23, 2008, the Corporation issued 10,300 shares of preferred stock to the U.S. Treasury for \$10.3 million pursuant to the CPP. Additionally, the Corporation issued 104,040 common stock warrants to the U.S. Treasury as a condition to its participation in the CPP. The warrants have an exercise price of \$14.85 each and are immediately exercisable and expire 10 years from the date of issuance. Proceeds from this sale of the preferred stock are expected to be used for general corporate purposes, including supporting the continued, anticipated growth of the Corporation. The CPP preferred stock is non-voting, other than having class voting rights on certain matters, and pays cumulative dividends quarterly at a rate of 5% per annum for the first five years and 9% thereafter. The preferred shares are redeemable at the option of the Corporation under certain circumstances during the first three years and thereafter without restriction.

Based on a Black-Scholes-Merton options pricing model, the common stock warrants have been assigned a fair value of \$2.55 per warrant, or \$265,303 in the aggregate, as of December 12, 2008. As a result of allocating the fair value of the preferred stock and the related common stock warrants, \$346,619 has been recorded in additional paid in capital as the discount on the preferred stock obtained above and will be accreted as a reduction in net income available for common shareholders over the next five years. For purposes of these calculations, the fair value of the common stock warrants as of December 23, 2008 was estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions:

Weighted-average fair value of the underlying common stock	14.85
Weighted-average expected life (in years)	5.00
Expected Volatility	22.84%
Risk-free interest rate	1.44%
Expected dividend yield	2.02%

The Corporation's computation of expected volatility is based on weekly historical volatility since September of 2002. The risk free interest rate of the award is based on the closing market bid for U.S. Treasury securities corresponding to the expected life of the common stock warrants in effect at time of sale.

As noted above \$ 346,619 was assigned to the common stock warrants, and accordingly, \$9,953,381 (total \$10.3 million) has been assigned to the Series A preferred stock and will be accreted up to the redemption amount of \$10.3 million over the five year period ending December 2013.

During the year ended December 31, 2009, the number of shares represented by the Warrant increased 1,040 shares due to the impact of 1% stock dividends issued during the year ended December 31, 2009.

**(11) Borrowed Funds**

The Corporation owed the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta the following advances at December 31, 2009 and 2008.

		<b>2009</b>	
<u>Maturity date</u>	<u>Interest rate</u>		
May 2012	7.41%		29,334
July 2017	6.93%		520,000
August 2017	6.84%		84,475
June 2020	4.62%		679,000
July 2020	7.54%		132,291
Total (weighted average rate of 5.90%)		\$	<u><u>1,445,100</u></u>

		<b>2008</b>	
<u>Maturity date</u>	<u>Interest rate</u>		
May 2012	7.41%		41,067
July 2017	6.93%		585,000
August 2017	6.84%		95,375
June 2020	4.62%		743,667
July 2020	7.54%		144,791
Total (weighted average rate of 5.92%)		\$	<u><u>1,609,900</u></u>

At December 31, 2009 and 2008, the advances were collateralized by a blanket pledge of first-mortgage residential loans with available collateral amounts of \$1,127,667 and \$5,240,416, respectively. At December 31, 2009 the Corporation's advances were also collateralized by Commercial Real Estate loans and Multi Family Real Estate loans with available collateral amounts of \$1,331,999 and \$318,450 respectively.



**(12) Note Payable to Trust**

United Bancorp Capital Trust II. In 2007, the Corporation formed a wholly-owned grantor trust to issue cumulative trust preferred securities. The grantor trust has invested the proceeds of the trust preferred securities in junior subordinated debentures of the Corporation. The junior subordinated debentures can be redeemed prior to maturity at the option of the Corporation on or after September 30, 2011. The sole assets of the guarantor trust are the Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures of the Corporation (the Debentures) held by the grantor trust. The debentures have the same interest rate (three month LIBOR plus 1.68%, floating) as the trust preferred securities. The interest rate in effect as of December 31, 2009 was 1.93%. The Corporation has the right to defer interest payments on the Debentures at any time or from time to time for a period not exceeding 20 consecutive quarters provided that no extension period may extend beyond the stated maturity of the related Debentures. During any such extension period, distributions on the trust preferred certificates would also be deferred.

Payment of periodic cash distributions and payment upon liquidation or redemption with respect to the trust preferred securities are guaranteed by the Corporation to the extent of funds held by the grantor trust (the Preferred Securities Guarantee). The Preferred Securities Guarantee, when taken together with the Corporation's other obligations under the Debentures, constitute a full and unconditional guarantee, on a subordinated basis, by the Corporation of payments due on the trust preferred securities.

The trust preferred securities and the related debentures were issued on September 27, 2007. Distributions on the trust preferred securities are paid quarterly on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 of each year. Interest on the Debentures is paid on the corresponding dates. The aggregate principal amount of Debentures outstanding at December 31, 2009 was \$10,310,000.

**(13) Income Taxes**

The components of income tax expense (benefit) for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 are as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Current:		
Federal	\$ (381,542)	\$ 134,049
State	(107,900)	21,104
Total	<u>(489,442)</u>	<u>155,153</u>
Deferred:		
Federal	(2,391,858)	(577,328)
State	(346,941)	(47,935)
Total	<u>(2,738,799)</u>	<u>(625,263)</u>
Total income tax expense	<u>\$ (3,228,241)</u>	<u>\$ (470,110)</u>

Total income tax benefit differed from the amount computed by applying the statutory federal income tax rate of 34% to pretax earnings (losses) as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Income tax at statutory rate	\$ (2,467,679)	\$ 27,822
Increase (decrease) resulting from:		
Tax exempt interest	(468,605)	(509,084)
Interest disallowance	31,110	51,393
State income tax net of federal benefit	(300,195)	(17,708)
Premium amortization on tax exempt investment securities	13,950	20,350
Cash surrendered value of life insurance	(43,661)	(31,886)
GoZone tax credits	—	(31,748)
Other, net	6,739	20,751
	<u>\$ (3,228,341)</u>	<u>\$ (470,110)</u>

The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of the deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities at December 31, 2009 and 2008 are as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Deferred tax assets:		
Loans, principally due to the allowance for loan losses	\$ 2,376,315	\$ 1,079,260
Net operating loss carry forward	1,211,842	—
Other real estate, principally due to differences in carrying value	978,967	600,240
AMT credit carryover	—	368,347
Accrued expenses	294,581	251,305
Investment securities available for sale	—	—
Interest rate floor	—	—
Other	17,701	15,201
Total deferred tax assets	<u>4,879,406</u>	<u>2,314,353</u>
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Premises and equipment, principally due to difference in depreciation	269,850	459,152
Investment securities available for sale	234,199	320,395
Discount accretion	9,041	40,366
Other	162,904	116,023
Total deferred tax liabilities	<u>675,994</u>	<u>935,936</u>
Net deferred tax asset	<u>\$ 4,203,412</u>	<u>\$ 1,378,417</u>

In assessing the realizability of deferred tax assets, management considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the scheduled reversal of deferred tax liabilities, projected future taxable income, and tax planning strategies. Based upon the level of historical taxable income and projection for future taxable income over the periods which the temporary differences resulting in the deferred tax assets are deductible, management believes it is more likely than not that the Company will realize the benefits of these deductible differences.

## (14) Stock Based Compensation

### Stock Options

1998 Stock Option Plan. The United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. 1998 Stock Option Plan (the 1998 Plan) provides for the grant of options to officers, directors, and employees of the Corporation to purchase up to an aggregate of 308,000 shares of Class A Stock. As of December 31, 2009, the 1998 Plan terminated pursuant to its terms effective December 22, 1998 and no additional awards will be made under such plan.

The changes in outstanding options are as follows:

	<u>Shares under option</u>	<u>Weighted average exercise price per share</u>
Balance at December 31, 2007	53,600	\$ 14.38
Granted	—	
Expired	(8,560)	11.10
Surrendered	(5,600)	12.48
Exercised	(634)	15.75
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Balance at December 31, 2008	38,806	\$ 15.36
Granted	—	
Expired	(8,160)	12.87
Surrendered	—	
Exercised	—	
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Balance at December 31, 2009	<u>30,646</u>	\$ 16.02

The following table displays information pertaining to the intrinsic value of option shares both outstanding and exercisable for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Aggregate intrinsic value of outstanding options	\$ -	\$ 16,157
Aggregate intrinsic value of exercisable options	\$ -	\$ 16,157

At December 31, 2009, approximately 30,000 optioned shares were exercisable at prices between \$15.65 and \$18.00 per share. When options are exercised, par value of the shares issued is recorded as an addition to common stock, and the remainder of the proceeds (including any tax benefit, if applicable) is credited to capital surplus.

Stock options outstanding and exercisable on December 31, 2009 were as follows:

		2009			
Exercise price per share			Weighted average		Weighted average
Outstanding:		Shares under option	remaining contractual	life in years	exercise price
\$	15.65	8,960		1.1	\$ 15.65
	15.75	9,526		3.0	\$ 15.75
	16.00	2,000		6.0	\$ 16.00
	16.25	8,160		2.0	\$ 16.25
	18.00	2,000		6.6	\$ 18.00
		<u>30,646</u>		<u>2.6</u>	\$ 16.02
Exercisable:					
\$	15.65	8,960		1.1	\$ 15.65
	15.75	9,526		3.0	\$ 15.75
	16.00	2,000		6.0	\$ 16.00
	16.25	8,160		2.0	\$ 16.25
	18.00	1,600		6.6	\$ 18.00
		<u>30,246</u>		<u>2.6</u>	\$ 15.99

Total intrinsic value of options exercised was \$9,986 for the years ended December 31, 2008. The total fair value of options exercised during the year ended December 31, 2008 was \$11,729.

2007 Equity Incentive Plan. The United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. 2007 Equity Incentive Plan (the 2007 Plan) provides for the grant of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock awards (discussed below), performance units, or any combination thereof to officers, directors, and employees of the Corporation to purchase up to an aggregate of 308,000 shares of Class A Stock. As of December 31, 2009, 293,978 shares of stock could be granted in the future. The changes in outstanding options are as follows:

	Shares under option	Weighted average exercise price per share
Balance at December 31, 2007	2,000	\$ 18.50
Granted	—	
Surrendered	(2,000)	18.50
Exercised	—	
Balance at December 31, 2008	—	
Granted	4,000	\$ 14.85
Surrendered	—	
Exercised	—	
Balance at December 31, 2009	<u>4,000</u>	\$ 14.85

Grant-date fair value is measured on the date of grant using an option-pricing model with market assumptions. The grant-date fair values are amortized into expense on a straight-line basis over the vesting period. The company applies the Black-Scholes-Merton option-pricing model which requires the use of highly subjective assumptions, including but not limited to, expected stock price volatility, term, dividend rates, forfeiture rates, and risk-free interest rates, which if changed can materially affect fair value estimates.

The following is a summary of the weighted average assumptions used to estimate the weighted-average per share fair value of options granted on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes-Merton option-pricing model. No shares were granted during the year ended December 31, 2008.

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Weighted-average expected life (in years)	10.00	N/A
Expected Volatility	20.00%	N/A
Risk-free interest rate	3.86%	N/A
Expected dividend yield	2.02%	N/A
Weighted-average fair value of options granted during the period	\$ 3.88	N/A

Cash received from the exercise of options was \$9,986 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The tax benefit realized for the tax deductions from options exercise of the share-based payment arrangements totaled \$643 for the years ended December 31, 2008.

As of December 31, 2009, there was \$14,563 of total unrecognized compensation costs related to the nonvested share based compensation arrangements granted under the 1998 and 2007 Plans. That cost is expected to be recognized over a period of approximately 4 years.

### ***Restricted Stock***

During 2009 one restricted stock grant was made by the Corporation totaling 442 shares. As of December 31, 2009 the Corporation has awarded restricted stock grants in two formats to two distinct classes of employees. Employees with more than 20 years of service have been awarded grants with a six month balloon vesting. The expense of these awards is recorded on a straight-line basis over the six month term. The second type of grant has been awarded to senior officers of the Corporation. These grants have five year terms (60 months) with 1/3 vesting on the grant anniversary date in years 3, 4, and 5. The expense of these awards is recorded on a straight-line basis over the 60 month term. As of December 31, 2009 there was \$68,888 of unrecognized stock-based compensation related to these restricted stock grants which is expected to be recognized over a period of 4 years.

The following tables present restricted stock activity:

	<u>Restricted stock activity</u>	<u>Weighted average fair value</u>
Balance at December 31, 2007	5,626	18.00
Granted	4,459	16.51
Surrendered	(505)	18.00
Vested	—	—
Balance at December 31, 2008	<u>9,580</u>	17.34
Granted	442	14.85
Surrendered	—	—
Vested	—	—
Balance at December 31, 2009	<u><u>10,022</u></u>	17.20

The following table summarizes stock-based compensation expense for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Stock Option Expense	6,286	4,244
Restricted Stock Expense	<u>25,119</u>	<u>28,487</u>
Total Stock Based Compensation Expense	<u><u>31,405</u></u>	<u><u>32,731</u></u>

**(15) Net Earnings (Losses) per Share**

Presented below is a summary of the components used to calculate diluted earnings (losses) per share for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Diluted earnings (losses) per share:		
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding	2,245,098	2,251,179
Effect of the assumed exercise of stock options-based on the treasury stock method using average market price	—	<u>3,334</u>
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	<u><u>2,245,098</u></u>	<u><u>2,254,513</u></u>

**(16) Dividend Reinvestment and Share Purchase Plan**

The Corporation sponsors a dividend reinvestment and share purchase plan. Under the plan, all holders of record of common stock are eligible to participate in the plan. Participants in the plan may direct the plan administrator to invest cash dividends declared with respect to all or any portion of their common stock. Participants may also make optional cash payments that will be invested through the plan. All cash dividends paid to the plan administrator are invested within 30 days of cash dividend payment date. Cash dividends and optional cash payments will be used to purchase common stock of the Corporation in the open market, from newly-issued shares, from shares held in treasury, in negotiated transactions, or in any combination of the foregoing. The purchase price of the shares of common stock is based on the average market price. All administrative costs are borne by the Corporation. For the year ended December 31, 2008 7,298 shares were purchased under the plan.

In 2009 no shares were purchased under the Plan as there were no cash dividends declared. In place of a cash dividend, the Corporation declared a 1% stock dividend to shareholders of record as of June 30, 2009.

**(17) Employee Benefit Plans**

*401(k) Savings Plan*

Prior to October 1, 2006, employees were eligible in the Corporation's 401(k) Employee Incentive Savings Plan after completing six months of service and attaining age 20.5. Eligible employees could contribute a minimum of 1% up to 15% of salary to the plan. The Corporation contributed one dollar for each dollar the employee contributed, up to 4% of the employee's salary, then the company matched fifty cents for each dollar the employee contributed up to 7% of the employee's salary.

Under a new 401(k) savings plan that became effective October 1, 2006, employees are eligible after completing ninety days of service and attaining age 20.5. Eligible employees can contribute a minimum of 1% up to 15% of salary to the plan. The Corporation contributes one dollar for each dollar the employee contributes, up to 5.5% of the employee's salary.

Contributions to the Plan charged to expense during 2009 and 2008 were \$297,646 and \$294,684, respectively.

#### *Profit-Sharing Plan*

The Corporation also maintains a profit-sharing plan for eligible employees. Eligibility requirements for this plan are the same as the 401(k) Employee Incentive Savings Plan. Benefits paid under the Plan are subject to approval by the Board of Directors each year. There was no benefit paid under the Plan for the 2009 year. Annual profit sharing contributions of \$0 and \$60,817 were made in 2009 and 2008, respectively.

#### *Salary Continuation Plan*

The Corporation provides a salary continuation plan providing for death and retirement benefits for certain executive officers. The present value of the estimated amounts to be paid under the plan is being accrued over the remaining service period of the executives. The expense recognized for the salary continuation plan amounted to \$92,169 and \$86,952 for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The balance of the liability for the salary continuation plan included in other liabilities at December 31, 2009 and 2008 totaled \$696,458 and \$604,283, respectively.

The cost of the salary continuation plan described above is being offset by earnings from bank owned life insurance policies on the executives. The balance of the policy surrender values included in other assets totaled \$2,728,954 and \$2,600,539 at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Income recognized from the increase in cash surrender value on these policies totaled \$128,415 and \$93,783 for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

#### *Employee Stock Purchase Plan*

The Corporation sponsors an employee stock purchase plan which is available to all employees subject to certain minimum service requirements. The Plan is administered by a Board appointed committee which designates the offering period in which employees may purchase shares and the offering price. All administrative costs are borne by the Corporation. For the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, 425 and 440 shares were purchased under the Plan, respectively.

### **(18) Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

The Corporation uses fair value measurements to record fair value adjustments to certain assets and liabilities and to determine fair value disclosures. In accordance with the Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures topic (FASB ASC 820), the fair value of a financial instrument is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value is best determined based upon quoted market prices. However, in many instances, there are no quoted market prices for the Corporation's various financial instruments. In cases where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on estimates using present value or other valuation techniques. Those techniques are significantly affected by the assumptions used, including the discount rate and estimates of future cash flows. Accordingly, the fair value estimates may not be realized in an immediate settlement of the instrument.

The recent fair value guidance provides a consistent definition of fair value, which focuses on exit price in an orderly transaction (that is, not a forced liquidation or distressed sale) between market participants at the measurement date under current market conditions. If there has been a significant decrease in the volume and level of activity for the asset or liability, a change in valuation technique or the use of multiple valuation techniques may be appropriate. In such instances, determining the price at which willing market participants would transact at the measurement date under current market conditions depends on the facts and circumstances and requires the use of

significant judgment. The fair value is a reasonable point within the range that is most representative of fair value under current market conditions.

### **Fair Value Hierarchy**

In accordance with this guidance, the Corporation groups its financial assets and financial liabilities generally measured at fair value in three levels, based on the markets in which the assets and liabilities are traded and the reliability of the assumptions used to determine fair value.

**Level 1** - Valuation is based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date. Level 1 assets and liabilities generally include debt and equity securities that are traded in an active exchange market. Valuations are obtained from readily available pricing sources for market transactions involving identical assets or liabilities.

**Level 2** - Valuation is based on inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. The valuation may be based on quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

**Level 3** - Valuation is based on unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities. Level 3 assets and liabilities include financial instruments whose value is determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, as well as instruments for which determination of fair value requires significant management judgment or estimation.

A financial instrument's categorization within the valuation hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

### **Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis**

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis and recognized in the accompanying balance sheet, as well as the general classification of such instruments pursuant to the valuation hierarchy.

#### *Available for Sale Securities*

Where quoted market prices are available in an active market, securities are classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy. Level 1 securities would include highly liquid government bonds, mortgage products and exchange traded equities. If quoted market prices are not available, then fair values are estimated by using pricing models, quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics or discounted cash flows. Level 2 securities include U.S. agency securities, mortgage-backed agency securities, obligations of states and political subdivisions and certain corporate, asset backed and other securities. In certain cases where Level 1 or Level 2 inputs are not available, securities are classified within Level 3 of the hierarchy.



The following table presents financial assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2009:

<b>Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2009 Using</b>				
<b>Assets/Liabilities Measured at Fair Value</b>	<b>Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)</b>	<b>Significant Other Observable Inputs Level (2)</b>	<b>Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)</b>	
<b>AFS Securities</b>	\$ 68,212,662	\$ 3,030,009	\$ 65,182,653	\$ -

<b>Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2008 Using</b>				
<b>Assets/Liabilities Measured at Fair Value</b>	<b>Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)</b>	<b>Significant Other Observable Inputs Level (2)</b>	<b>Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)</b>	
<b>AFS Securities</b>	\$ 85,526,712	\$ -	\$ 85,526,712	\$ -

#### **Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Non-recurring Basis**

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for instruments measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis and recognized in the accompanying balance sheet, as well as the general classification of such instruments pursuant to the valuation hierarchy.

##### *Impaired Loans*

Loan impairment is reported when full payment under the loan terms is not expected. Impaired loans are carried at the present value of estimated future cash flows using the loan's existing rate, or the fair value of collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. A portion of the allowance for loan losses is allocated to impaired loans if the value of such loans is deemed to be less than the unpaid balance. If these allocations cause the allowance for loan losses to require increase, such increase is reported as a component of the provision for loan losses. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when Management believes the uncollectibility of a loan is confirmed. When the fair value of the collateral is based on an observable market price or a current appraised value, the Corporation records the loan impairment as nonrecurring Level 2. When an appraised value is not available or management determines the fair value of the collateral is further impaired below the appraised value and there is no observable market price, the Corporation records the loan impairment as nonrecurring Level 3.

##### *Other Real Estate*

Other real estate are adjusted to fair value upon transfer from the loan portfolio. Subsequently, other real estate assets are carried at the lower of carrying value or fair value. Fair value is based upon independent market prices, appraised values of the collateral or management's estimation of the value of the collateral. When the fair value of the collateral is based on an observable market price or a current appraised value, the Corporation records the other real estate as nonrecurring Level 2. When an appraised value is not available or management determines the fair value of the collateral is further impaired below the appraised value and there is no observable market price, the Corporation records the other real estate as nonrecurring Level 3.

The following tables present the assets and liabilities carried on the balance sheet by caption and by level within the (FASB ASC 820) valuation hierarchy (as described above) as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, for which a nonrecurring change in fair value has been recorded during the year ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

	<b>Carrying Value at December 31, 2009</b>				<b>Year Ended December 31, 2009</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level3</b>	<b>Total losses</b>
Impaired loans	\$ 43,577,517	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 43,577,517	\$ (7,952,833)
Other real estate	7,610,690	-	-	7,610,690	(1,027,703)

	<b>Carrying Value at December 31, 2008</b>				<b>Year Ended December 31, 2008</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level3</b>	<b>Total losses</b>
Impaired loans	\$ 12,885,145	\$ -	\$ 3,763,384	\$ 9,121,761	\$ (2,603,454)
Other real estate	5,523,501	-	5,523,501	-	(86,045)

### **Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

The assumptions used in estimating the fair value of the Corporation's financial instruments are explained below. Where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on estimates using discounted cash flow and other valuation techniques. Discounted cash flows can be significantly affected by the assumptions used, including the discount rate and estimates of future cash flows. The following fair value estimates cannot be substantiated by comparison to independent markets and should not be considered representative of the liquidation value of the Corporation's financial instruments, but rather a good-faith estimate of the fair value of financial instruments held by the Corporation. (FASB ASC 820), excludes certain financial instruments and all nonfinancial instruments from its disclosure requirements.

The following methods and assumptions were used by the Corporation in estimating the fair value of its financial instruments:

(a) ***Cash and Short-term Investments***

Fair value approximates the carrying value of such assets.

(b) ***Investment Securities and Other Securities***

The fair value of investment securities is based on quoted market prices. The fair value of other securities, which includes Federal Home Loan Bank stock and other correspondent stocks, approximates their carrying value.

(c) ***Loans***

The fair value of loans is calculated using discounted cash flows and excludes lease-financing arrangements. The discount rates used to determine the present value of the loan portfolio are estimated market discount

rates that reflect the credit and interest rate risk inherent in the loan portfolio. The estimated maturities are based on the Corporation's historical experience with repayments adjusted to estimate the effect of current market conditions.

**(d) Bank Owned Life Insurance**

The fair value of bank owned life insurance approximates its carrying value.

**(e) Deposits**

The fair value of deposits with no stated maturity, such as non-interest bearing demand deposits, NOW accounts, savings and money market deposit accounts, approximates the carrying value. Certificates of deposit have been valued using discounted cash flows. The discount rates used are based on estimated market rates for deposits of similar remaining maturities.

The fair value estimates in the table below do not include the benefit that results from the low-cost funding provided by the deposit liabilities compared to the cost of borrowing funds in the market.

**(f) Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase**

Due to their short-term nature, the fair value of securities sold under agreements to repurchase approximates their carrying value.

**(g) FHLB, Other Borrowed Funds and Subordinated Debt**

The fair value of the Corporation's other borrowed funds and subordinated debt approximates the carrying value of such liabilities. The fair value of FHLB advances have been valued using discounted cash flows. The discount rates used are based on estimated market rates for borrowings of similar remaining maturities.

**(h) Accrued Interest**

The fair value of accrued interest receivable and payable approximates their carrying value.

**(i) Commitments to Extend Credit and Standby Letters of Credit**

There is no market for the commitment to extend credit and standby letters of credit and they were issued without explicit cost. Therefore, it is not practical to establish their fair value.

The carrying value and estimated fair value of the Corporation's financial instruments at December 31, 2009 and 2008 are as follows (in thousands):

	2009		2008	
	Carrying amount	Estimated fair value	Carrying amount	Estimated fair value
Financial assets:	(Dollars in Thousands)			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 54,668	\$ 54,668	\$ 143,522	\$ 143,546
Investment securities	83,872	83,929	92,077	92,123
Loans, net of the allowance for loan losses	275,911	276,090	276,188	275,720
Bank owned life insurance	2,729	2,729	2,601	2,601
Correspondent bank stock	1,889	1,889	1,429	1,429
Accrued interest receivable	2,858	2,858	3,254	3,254
Financial liabilities:				
Deposits	404,810	405,504	491,156	492,531
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	—	—	1,861	1,861
Other borrowed funds	624	624	496	496
FHLB advances	1,445	1,539	1,610	2,206
Subordinated Debt	10,310	10,310	10,310	10,310
Accrued interest payable	621	621	913	913

**(19) Dividends From Bank**

Dividends paid by the Bank are the primary source of funds available to the Corporation for payment of dividends to its stockholders and for other needs. Applicable federal and state statutes and regulations impose restrictions on the amounts of dividends that may be declared by the subsidiary bank. In addition, the subsidiary bank is also required to maintain minimum amounts of capital to both total "risk-weighted" assets and total assets, as defined by banking regulators. Capital adequacy considerations could further limit the availability of dividends from the subsidiary bank. The payment of dividends from the Bank is regulated by the Alabama State Banking Department and is may be limited based on earnings and credit losses. Recent earnings and loan losses create a restriction on the ability of the Bank to pay dividends. Future payments of dividends by the Bank to the Corporation will be dependent on earnings, loan losses and approval from the Alabama State Banking Department.

## (20) Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The following is a summary of the components of other comprehensive income (loss):

Unrealized holding gains (losses) arising during the period for securities, net	\$ (39,175)	\$ 862,203
Reclassification adjustment for gains on sales of securities included in net earnings (losses)	<u>(176,316)</u>	<u>(264,737)</u>
Other comprehensive income (loss), before income taxes	(215,491)	597,466
Income tax expense (benefits) related to other comprehensive income (loss):		
Unrealized holding (gains) losses arising during the period for securities, net	15,670	(344,881)
Reclassification adjustment for gains on sales of securities included in net earnings (losses)	<u>70,526</u>	<u>105,894</u>
Total income tax expense (benefits) related to other comprehensive income (loss)	<u>86,196</u>	<u>(238,987)</u>
Other comprehensive income (loss) after taxes	<u>\$ (129,295)</u>	<u>\$ 358,479</u>

## (21) Litigation

The Corporation is involved in various legal proceedings arising in connection with their business. In the opinion of management, based upon consultation with legal counsel, the ultimate resolution of these proceedings is not expected to have a material adverse effect upon the financial statements of the Corporation.

## (22) Commitments

The Corporation leases certain property and equipment for use in its business. These leases have lease terms generally not in excess of five years. The Corporation is not committed to any operating leases, which have initial or remaining noncancelable lease terms in excess of one year as of December 31, 2009.

Rental expense for all operating leases charged to earnings aggregated \$36,026 and \$53,254 for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

The Corporation is a party to financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of its customers. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit. Such instruments involve elements of credit risk in excess of the amounts recognized in the consolidated financial statements.

The Corporation's exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the other party to the financial instrument for commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit is represented by the contractual amount of these instruments. The Corporation uses the same credit policies in making conditional obligations as it does for on-balance-sheet instruments.

The financial instruments whose contractual amounts represent credit risk as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 are approximately as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2009	2008
Commitments to extend credit	\$ 31,047,000	\$ 38,661,000
Standby letters of credit	1,155,000	1,666,000

Standby letters of credit are commitments issued by the Corporation to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. Those guarantees are primarily issued to support public and private borrowing arrangements. The credit risk involved in issuing letters of credit is essentially the same as that involved in extending loan facilities to customers. The Corporation holds various assets as collateral supporting those commitments for which collateral is deemed necessary.

Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements.

### (23) Other Noninterest Expense

Components of other noninterest expense exceeding 1% of the total of interest income and other income for either of the years ended December 31, 2009 or 2008, respectively, include the following:

	2009	2008
Advertising	\$ 284,178	\$ 386,671
ATM network	332,716	297,044
Communications	377,327	399,455
Data processing	548,975	492,148
FDIC deposit insurance	1,293,212	216,548
Legal	270,355	422,528
Other real estate expenses	1,202,152	282,210

### (24) Concentrations of Credit Risk

On December 31, 2009, the Bank had \$43,957,653 of agriculture related loans as compared to \$47,599,289 in 2008. Agriculture loans comprised approximately 15% of the Bank's loan portfolio. Additionally, real estate constructions attributed for approximately 17% of the total portfolio, while 1-4 family residential mortgage loans made up approximately 20% of the portfolio. Real estate construction and 1-4 family residential mortgage loans were \$49,321,129 and \$55,820,121 respectively in 2009, \$52,649,854 and \$52,676,766, respectively, in 2008.

### (25) Regulatory Matters

The Corporation and its subsidiary bank are subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by the federal banking agencies. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory – and possibly additional discretionary – actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material effect on the Corporation. Under capital adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework of prompt corrective action, the Corporation and its subsidiary bank must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of each bank's assets, liabilities, and certain off-balance-sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. The capital amounts and classification of the Corporation and its subsidiary bank are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings, and other factors.

Quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require the Corporation and its subsidiary bank to maintain minimum core capital (Tier I Capital) of at least 4% of risk-weighted assets, minimum total capital (Total Qualifying Capital) of at least 8% of risk-weighted assets and a minimum leverage ratio of at least 4% of quarterly average assets. Management believes, as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, that the Corporation and its subsidiary bank meet all capital adequacy requirements to which they are subject.

As of December 31, 2009, the most recent notification from the appropriate regulatory agencies categorized the subsidiary bank as “adequately capitalized” under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. There are no conditions or events since that notification that management believes have changed the subsidiary bank’s category.

The following table presents the actual capital amounts and ratios of the Corporation and its subsidiary bank at December 31, 2009 and 2008:

	<u>Total Qualifying Capital</u>		<u>Tier I Capital</u>		<u>Leverage</u>	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Ratio</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Ratio</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Ratio</u>
<b>As of December 31, 2009:</b>						
United Bancorporation	\$ 45,299	14.23%	\$ 41,836	13.14%	\$ 41,836	8.76%
United Bank	45,106	14.19%	41,092	12.93%	41,092	8.71%
<b>As of December 31, 2008:</b>						
United Bancorporation	\$ 54,299	16.28%	\$ 50,707	15.20%	\$ 50,707	10.07%
United Bank	52,852	15.88%	49,260	14.80%	49,260	10.35%

**(26) Parent Corporation Financial Information**

The condensed financial information for United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. (Parent Corporation Only) follows:

(Parent Company Only)  
Condensed Balance Sheet  
December 31, 2009 and 2008

<b>Assets</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
Cash	\$ 556,345	\$ 1,156,920
Investment in subsidiary	47,129,776	50,985,787
Other assets	208,753	520,694
Total assets	<u>\$ 47,894,874</u>	<u>\$ 52,663,401</u>
<b>Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity</b>		
Other liabilities	\$ 21,070	\$ 230,760
Note payable to Trust	10,310,000	10,310,000
Total liabilities	<u>10,331,070</u>	<u>10,540,760</u>
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock of \$.01 par value. Authorized 250,000 shares; 10,300 shares issued in 2009 and 2008, respectively	10,014,985	9,953,381
Class A common stock of \$.01 par value. Authorized 5,000,000 shares; issued 2,388,992 and 2,388,125 shares in 2009 and 2008, respectively	23,890	23,881
Class B common stock of \$.01 par value. Authorized 250,000 shares; no shares issued	—	—
Additional paid-in capital	6,544,079	6,342,423
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax	351,289	480,584
Retained earnings	21,685,478	26,572,188
Less: 131,678 and 155,855 treasury shares at cost in 2009 and 2008, respectively	<u>1,055,917</u>	<u>1,249,816</u>
Total stockholders' equity	<u>37,563,804</u>	<u>42,122,641</u>
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 47,894,874</u>	<u>\$ 52,663,401</u>



(Parent Company Only)  
 Condensed Statements of Operations Information  
 Years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Income:		
Dividend income from subsidiary	\$ —	\$ 716,000
Other income	43,415	16,382
Total income	<u>43,415</u>	<u>732,382</u>
Expense:		
Interest on subordinated debentures	269,001	544,842
Other operating expense	236,491	406,619
Total expense	<u>505,492</u>	<u>951,461</u>
Loss before equity in undistributed earnings (losses) of subsidiaries and taxes	(462,077)	(219,079)
Income tax benefit	<u>(184,569)</u>	<u>(345,001)</u>
Income (loss) before equity in undistributed earnings (losses) of subsidiaries	(277,508)	125,922
Equity in undistributed earnings (losses) of subsidiary	<u>(3,751,837)</u>	<u>420,016</u>
Net earnings (losses)	<u>\$ (4,029,345)</u>	<u>\$ 545,938</u>

(Parent Company Only)  
Condensed Statements of Cash Flows  
Years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net earnings (losses)	\$ (4,029,345)	\$ 545,938
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings (losses) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Equity in undistributed earnings (losses) of subsidiary	3,751,837	(420,016)
Stock based compensation	6,286	4,244
Increase (decrease) in other liabilities	(209,690)	19,541
Decrease in other assets	311,939	113,157
	<u>(168,973)</u>	<u>262,864</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Investment in bank subsidiary	—	(9,300,000)
	<u>—</u>	<u>(9,300,000)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities		
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Cash dividends - preferred stock	(460,639)	—
Cash dividends - common stock	(6,031)	(675,462)
Purchase of treasury stock	—	(94,923)
Proceeds from sale of treasury stock	29,938	125,359
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	—	9,986
Proceeds from sale of common stock (ESPP)	5,130	6,732
Proceeds from US Treasury CPP	—	10,300,000
	<u>(431,602)</u>	<u>9,671,692</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) financial activities		
	(600,575)	634,556
Net increase (decrease) in cash		
Cash, beginning of year	<u>1,156,920</u>	<u>522,364</u>
Cash, end of year	<u>\$ 556,345</u>	<u>\$ 1,156,920</u>

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Name of Subsidiary	Incorporated In	Wholly-Owned By
United Bank	Alabama	United Bancorporation Of Alabama
United Bancorp Capital Trust II	Alabama	United Bancorporation Of Alabama
United Insurance Services	Alabama	United Bank

**Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form S-3 (File No. 333-111503) and Form S-8 (File No. 333-36720, File No. 333-36722 and File No. 333-144689) of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. of our report, dated March 30, 2010, relating to the consolidated financial statements appearing in this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009.

/s/ Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC

Birmingham, Alabama  
March 30, 2010

## CERTIFICATIONS

I, Robert R. Jones, III, President and CEO, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this annual report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this annual report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this annual report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this annual report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this annual report is being prepared;
  - (b) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this annual report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this annual report based on such evaluation; and
  - (c) Disclosed in this annual report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 30, 2010

/s/ Robert R. Jones, III

Robert R. Jones, III  
President and CEO

**CERTIFICATIONS**

I, Allen O. Jones, Jr., Senior Vice President and CFO(Principal Financial Officer), certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this annual report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this annual report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this annual report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this annual report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and have:

(a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this annual report is being prepared;

(b) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this annual report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this annual report based on such evaluation; and

(c) Disclosed in this annual report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

(a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

(b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 30, 2010

/s/ Allen O. Jones, Jr.

Allen O. Jones, Jr.

Senior Vice President and CFO

(Principal Financial Officer)

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Annual Report on Form 10-K of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. for the period ending December 31, 2009 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Robert R. Jones, III, Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation, certify pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to the best of my knowledge:

- (1). The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- (2). The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Corporation.

Date: March 30, 2010

By: /s/ Robert R. Jones, III  
Robert R. Jones, III  
Chief Executive Officer



EXHIBIT 32.2

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,**

**AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO**

**SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Annual Report on Form 10-K of United Bancorporation of Alabama Inc. for the period ending December 31, 2009 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Allen O. Jones, Jr., Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer) of the Corporation, certify pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to the best of my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Corporation.

Date: March 30, 2010

By: /s/Allen O. Jones, Jr.  
Allen O. Jones, Jr.  
Senior Vice President and CFO  
(Principal Financial Officer)

**Certificate pursuant to 31 C.F.R. Section 30.15 as adopted under TARP Standards for Compensation and Corporate Governance****March 30, 2010**

I, Allen O. Jones, Jr., Chief Financial Officer of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc., certify, based on my knowledge, that:

- (i) The compensation committee of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. has discussed, reviewed, and evaluated with senior risk officers at least every six months during the period beginning on the later of the closing date of the agreement between the TARP recipient and Treasury or June 15, 2009 and ending with the last day of the TARP recipient's fiscal year containing that date, the senior executive officer (SEO) compensation plans and employee compensation plans and the risks these plans pose to United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc.;
- (ii) The compensation committee of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. has identified and limited during the period beginning on the later of the closing date of the agreement between the TARP recipient and Treasury or June 15, 2009 and ending with the last day of the TARP recipient's fiscal year containing that date, the features in the SEO compensation plans that could lead SEOs to take unnecessary and excessive risks that could threaten the value of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. and identified any features in the employee compensation plans that pose risks to United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. and limited those features to ensure that United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. is not unnecessarily exposed to risks;
- (iii) The compensation committee has reviewed at least every six months during the period beginning on the later of the closing date of the agreement between the TARP recipient and Treasury or June 15, 2009 and ending with the last day of the TARP recipient's fiscal year containing that date, the terms of each employee compensation plan and identified the features in the plan that could encourage the manipulation of reported earnings of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. to enhance the compensation of an employee and limited those features;
- (iv) The compensation committee of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. will certify to the reviews of the SEO compensation plans and employee compensation plans required under (i) and (iii) above;
- (v) The compensation committee of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. will provide a narrative description of how it limited during any part of the most recently completed fiscal year that included a TARP period the features in
  - a. SEO compensation plans that could lead SEOs to take unnecessary and excessive risks that could threaten the value of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc.;
  - b. Employee compensation plans that unnecessarily expose United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. to risks; and
  - c. Employee compensation plans that could encourage the manipulation of reported earnings of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. to enhance the compensation of an employee;
- (vi) United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. has required that bonus payments, as defined in the regulations and guidance established under section 111 of EESA (bonus payments), of the SEOs and twenty most highly compensated employees be subject to a recovery or "clawback" provision during any part of the most recently completed fiscal year that was a TARP period if the bonus payments were based on materially inaccurate financial statements or any other materially inaccurate performance metric criteria;

- (vii) United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. has prohibited any golden parachute, as defined in the regulations and guidance established under section 111 of EESA, to an SEO or any of the five most highly compensated employees during the period beginning on the later of the closing date of the agreement between the TARP recipient and Treasury or June 15, 2009 and ending with the last day of the TARP recipient's fiscal year containing that date;
- (viii) United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. has limited bonus payments to its applicable employees in accordance with section 111 of EESA and the regulations and guidance established thereunder during the period beginning on the later of the closing date of the agreement between the TARP recipient and Treasury or June 15, 2009 and ending with last day of the TARP recipient's fiscal year containing that date;
- (ix) The board of directors of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. has established an excessive or luxury expenditures policy, as defined in the regulations and guidance established under section 111 of EESA, has provided this policy to Treasury and its primary regulatory agency, and United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. and its employees have complied with this policy during the period beginning on the later of the closing date of the agreement between the TARP recipient and Treasury or June 15, 2009 and ending with the last day of the TARP recipient's fiscal year containing that date, and that any expenses requiring approval of the board of directors, an SEO, or an executive officer with a similar title or level of responsibility were properly approved;
- (x) United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. will permit a non-binding shareholder resolution in compliance with any applicable Federal securities rules and regulations on the disclosures provided under the Federal securities law related to SEO compensation paid or accrued during the period beginning on the later of the closing date of the agreement between the TARP recipient and Treasury or June 15, 2009 and ending with the last day of the TARP recipient's fiscal year containing that date of any perquisites, as defined in the regulations and guidance established under section 111 of EESA, whose total value exceeds \$25,000 for each employee subject to the bonus payment limitations identified in paragraph (vii);
- (xi) United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. will disclose where the amount, nature, and justifications for the offering during the period beginning on the later of the closing date of the agreement between the TARP recipient and Treasury or June 15, 2009 and ending with the last day of the TARP recipient's fiscal year containing that date of any perquisites, as defined in the regulations and guidance established under section 111 of EESA, whose total value exceeds \$25,000 for each employee subject to the bonus payment limitations identified in paragraph (vii);
- (xii) United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. will disclose whether United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc., the board of directors of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc., or the compensation committee of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. has engaged during the period beginning on the later of the closing date of the agreement between the TARP recipient and Treasury or June 15, 2009 and ending with the last day of the TARP recipient's fiscal year containing that date, a compensation consultant; and the services the compensation consultant or any affiliate of the compensation consultant provided during this period;
- (xiii) United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. has prohibited the payment of any gross-ups, as defined in the regulations and guidance established under section 111 of EESA, to the SEOs and the twenty most highly compensated employees during the period beginning on the later of the closing date of the agreement between the TARP recipient and Treasury or June 15, 2009 and ending with the last day of the TARP recipient's fiscal year containing that date;

- (xiv) United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. has substantially complied with all other requirements related to employee compensation that are provided in the agreement between United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. and Treasury, including any amendments;
- (xv) United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. has submitted to Treasury a complete and accurate list of the SEOs and the twenty most highly compensated employees for the current fiscal year and the most recently completed fiscal year, with the non-SEOs ranked in descending order of level of annual compensation, and with the name, title, and employer of each SEO and most highly compensated employee identified; and
- (xvi) I understand that a knowing and willful false or fraudulent statement made in connection with this certification may be punished by fine, imprisonment, or both.

/s/ Allen O. Jones, Jr.

Allen O. Jones, Jr., CFO

March 30, 2010

**Certificate pursuant to 31 C.F.R. Section 30.15 as adopted under TARP Standards for Compensation and Corporate Governance  
March 30, 2010**

I, Robert R. Jones, III, President and Chief Executive Officer of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc., certify, based on my knowledge, that:

- (i) The compensation committee of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. has discussed, reviewed, and evaluated with senior risk officers at least every six months during the period beginning on the later of the closing date of the agreement between the TARP recipient and Treasury or June 15, 2009 and ending with the last day of the TARP recipient's fiscal year containing that date, the senior executive officer (SEO) compensation plans and employee compensation plans and the risks these plans pose to United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc.;
- (ii) The compensation committee of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. has identified and limited during the beginning on the later of the closing date of the agreement between the TARP recipient and Treasury or June 15, 2009 and ending with the last day of the TARP recipient's fiscal year containing that date, the features in the SEO compensation plans that could lead SEOs to take unnecessary and excessive risks that could threaten the value of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. and identified any features in the employee compensation plans that pose risks to United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. and limited those features to ensure that United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. is not unnecessarily exposed to risks;
- (iii) The compensation committee has reviewed at least every six months during the period beginning on the later of the closing date of the agreement between the TARP recipient and Treasury or June 15, 2009 and ending with the last day of the TARP recipient's fiscal year containing that date, the terms of each employee compensation plan and identified the features in the plan that could encourage the manipulation of reported earnings of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. to enhance the compensation of an employee and limited those features;
- (iv) The compensation committee of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. will certify to the reviews of the SEO compensation plans and employee compensation plans required under (i) and (iii) above;
- (v) The compensation committee of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. will provide a narrative description of how it limited during any part of the most recently completed fiscal year that included a TARP period the features in
  - a. SEO compensation plans that could lead SEOs to take unnecessary and excessive risks that could threaten the value of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc.;
  - b. Employee compensation plans that unnecessarily expose United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. to risks; and
  - c. Employee compensation plans that could encourage the manipulation of reported earnings of United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. to enhance the compensation of an employee;
- (vi) United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. has required that bonus payments, as defined in the regulations and guidance established under section 111 of EESA (bonus payments), of the SEOs and twenty most highly compensated employees be subject to a recovery or "clawback" provision during any part of the most recently completed fiscal year that was a TARP period if the bonus payments

- were based on materially inaccurate financial statements or any other materially inaccurate performance metric criteria;
- (vii) United Bancorporation of Alabama, Inc. has prohibited any golden parachute, as defined in the regulations and guidance established under section 111 of EESA, to an SEO or any of the five most highly compensated employees during the period beginning on the later of the closing date of the agreement between the TARP recipient and Treasury or June 15, 2009 and ending with the last day of the TARP recipient's fiscal year containing that date;
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- (xvi) I understand that a knowing and willful false or fraudulent statement made in connection with this certification may be punished by fine, imprisonment, or both.

/s/ Robert R. Jones, III

Robert R. Jones, III, President and CEO

March 30, 2010