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U.S. Century Bank Opens First Branch in Broward County

MIAMI, March 11, 2005 – U.S. Century Bank today announced the opening of its first Broward County branch in Hollywood, Fla.

Located at 4350 Sheridan St., the branch is U.S. Century Bank's ninth in South Florida. The move into Broward County is a significant achievement for the bank, said Ramon Rasco, chairman of U.S. Century Bank.

"From the beginning, we were well-received in Miami-Dade County because we filled a void in commercial banking," Rasco said. "We see tremendous opportunity in Broward, and we're proud to offer our services to even more clients."

U.S. Century Bank will continue its expansion into Broward during the next year, said Octavio Hernandez, U.S. Century Bank's president and CEO.

"There are many opportunities for us to build a strong presence in Broward County," Hernandez said. "We're currently looking at other buildings in Broward County that we could transform into U.S. Century Bank branches, as well as sites on which we can build branches. The expansion of our branch network throughout South Florida will enable us to meet the needs of current and future clients who live and work in the tri-county area."

U.S. Century Bank is a Miami-based community bank that serves the financial needs of South Florida's small to mid-size businesses. U.S. Century Bank currently offers a wide range of banking products and services to customers through nine branches in Miami-Dade and Broward Counties and through its Web site, www.uscentury.com. For more information or to find a nearby U.S. Century Bank branch, call (305) 260-9400.