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Luis de la Aguilera Elected to FBA Board of Directors

MIAMI – May 8, 2017—Luis de la Aguilera, President and Chief Executive Officer of U.S. Century Bank, was recently named to the Board of Directors of the Florida Bankers Association (FBA). Board members represent banks of all sizes and types—from small community banks to large national banks—that operate throughout the state. Each director is elected to a two-year term.

The transition to the new board will take place during FBA's annual meeting, which will be held in June.

"The FBA Board of Directors plays a critical role in the operation of the association and in representing the association to elected officials, regulators and policymakers," said FBA President and CEO Alex Sanchez. "We are honored to have such qualified and committed board members."

The FBA Board of Directors is responsible for setting policy and overseeing the general operation of the Association. Bankers are nominated by their peers to serve on the board and are selected based upon their service to the FBA, community involvement and geographic region. Seats on the board are available in staggered terms.

"It is an honor to represent U.S. Century Bank and serve on the FBA board," said Mr. de la Aguilera. "The work they do is vital to the banking industry, and I look forward to participating in this role."

De la Aguilera started his banking career in 1982 at City National Bank of Miami. He later went on to serve as Vice President and Commercial Lender at Republic National Bank, and then as Senior Vice President of Corporate Banking and Assistant Branch Administrator at Ocean Bank where he directed and grew the bank's branch network. From 2000-2015 de la Aguilera worked at TotalBank; throughout his 15-year tenure he served the bank in various capacities including Executive Vice President and Head of Corporate Lending, as well as Director, President and CEO.

De la Aguilera earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1981 from the University of Miami with a major in English literature, and minors in history and business administration.

About U.S. Century Bank

Established in 2002, U.S. Century Bank is one of the largest community banks headquartered in Miami, and one of the largest Hispanic-owned community banks in the state, with assets of almost \$1 billion. Through its network of 13 branch locations and its online banking platform, it offers its customers a wide range of financial products and services. U.S. Century Bank has received awards and accolades from numerous organizations for its philanthropic support and leadership, including the Beacon Council, Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, South Florida Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Latin Builders Association, March of Dimes and others. For more information or to find a U.S. Century branch near you, please call (305) 715-5200 or visit <u>www.uscentury.com</u>.

About Florida Bankers Association

The Florida Bankers Association (FBA) is the voice of Florida's banking industry, which is composed of small, regional and large financial institutions that together employ tens of thousands Floridians, safeguard more than \$500 billion in deposits and extend more than \$135 billion in loans. Established in 1888, the FBA is one of Florida's oldest trade associations; its members hold more than 90 percent of the state's deposits.