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**HAMPSHIRE FIRST BANK ANNOUNCES
OPENING OF KEENE OFFICE
CHRISTINE GREENWOOD TO SERVE AS
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT OFFICER**

Keene, NH September 4, 2007 – Hampshire First Bank today announced that Christine B. Greenwood has been named Business Development Officer, working out of the Keene Banking Office which is currently under construction. In this role, she will be responsible for commercial business development as well as oversee the Bank's Keene Banking Center at 391 West Street, which is scheduled to open in mid-September.

A Keene native, Ms. Greenwood has 12 years of banking and financial experience. She began her banking career at Cheshire County Savings Bank. She has earned her General Banking Diploma from The American Institute for Banking. She is also an EMT for the Spofford Fire & Rescue Department, as well as the Secretary & Treasurer.

“We are delighted to welcome Christine to our growing bank,” said President and CEO James Dunphy. “She understands customers’ needs and how to meet them. She is a true community banker.”

Hampshire First Bank, New Hampshire’s newest bank, is a State Chartered Commercial Bank serving the financial needs of Southern New Hampshire, with offices currently in Manchester and Nashua. The Keene office will offer full banking services including commercial loans and deposit accounts, high-yield money-market and CD’s, and residential mortgages.

“Hampshire First Bank emphasizes the ‘We Bring the Bank to You’ philosophy, and our Keene office will be a model of this,” Dunphy said. “We think of it as Private Banking with a strong emphasis on personal attention delivered through the latest banking technology.”

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