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**MERCANTIL BANK STRENGTHENS PRESENCE IN BROWARD COUNTY WITH
OPENING OF PEMBROKE PINES BANKING CENTER**

New Pembroke Pines banking center will open to customers Monday, January 30

Pembroke Pines, FL (February 2, 2017) – Mercantil Bank, one of the largest banks headquartered in Florida with \$8.4 billion in assets, announced its expansion in South Florida with the opening of the first banking center in Pembroke Pines. The new location, at 179 Hiatus Road, will open to customers the week of Monday, January 30.

As Mercantil Bank's sixth location in Broward County, the new banking center will offer personal and business banking customers products and services designed to meet their financial needs. The Pembroke Pines facility will also provide drive-thru lanes, night depository services and convenient parking.

"We are proud to announce our continued growth as we look forward to opening our first banking center in the Pembroke Pines area," said Millar Wilson, Vice-Chairman and CEO of Mercantil Bank. "The new banking center illustrates milestones in our longstanding commitment to South Florida, as we continue to deliver exemplary service and product offerings to our valued customers."

The new banking center will be headed by Vice President, Branch Sales and Service Manager Ony Blanco, who brings more than 20 years of industry experience in the South Florida market.

"Our new Pembroke Pines location will allow us to continue strengthening relationships with our valued customers while assisting them in achieving their financial goals," said Laura Trosclair, Domestic Retail Banking Manager, EVP.



In addition to the new location, Mercantil Bank offers five other banking centers in Broward County – at 8017 N. University Drive in Parkland, 800 W. Cypress Creek Rd. Suite 100 in Fort Lauderdale, 100 N. Federal Highway in Fort Lauderdale, 2630 Weston Road in Weston, and 6272 Lantana Road in Lake Worth.

With 22 banking centers in total, Mercantil Bank has 15 banking centers in South Florida's tri-county area, seven in Houston, Texas and one loan production office in Manhattan, New York. For additional information, please visit www.mercantilcb.com and follow the Bank on Twitter at @MercantilCB.

Mercantil Bank Pembroke Pines Banking Center Hours of Operation:

Lobby: Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Drive-Thru: Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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Mercantil Bank, N.A. is one of the largest banks in South Florida serving its community for over 35 years. Mercantil Servicios Financieros (MSF), a Venezuelan holding company, beneficially owns the Bank through U.S. bank holding companies. MSF is the largest provider of financial services in Venezuela with more than 90 years of experience. Mercantil Bank has assets of \$8.4 billion. The Bank is headquartered in Coral Gables, Florida and has 22 Banking Centers - 15 located in South Florida and 7 in Houston, Texas, as well as 1 loan production office in Manhattan, New York. The Bank offers a wide variety of domestic, international, personal and commercial banking services, including investment, trust, and estate planning through its subsidiaries, Mercantil Investment Services, Inc. and Mercantil Trust Company, N.A. For more information, please visit www.mercantilcb.com.