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To: Director - FASB
Subject: Comments on No. 1810-100, "Accounting for Financial Instruments and Revisions to the Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" Exposure Draft
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Dear Mr. Golden:

My name is Glen Thurman and I am President of First National Bank of Moody Texas, a 117 year old family owned bank in a rural community of 1,400 people. The Bank has 54 million in total assets.

I am writing to voice my absolute opposition to the above referenced proposal and fair value accounting. I oppose requiring fair value calculations for loans that are held for the long-term to collect cash flows. These loans are not traded and there is no real market to trade such small loans as this bank makes in serving its community. First National Bank of Moody has never in 117 years sold a whole loan. I oppose requiring institutions to record demand deposits at fair value. These deposit accounts are not traded, and First National Bank of Moody does not have the staff and does not have the expertise to make such a calculation. First National Bank of Moody is very closely held and the stock is not traded on any market. Establishing fair values for the types of loans and deposits held by community banks like our bank would be costly and would result in data of questionable reliability. The proposed fair value accounting rule will do nothing except add additional cost and burden to this small community bank while providing no benefit to anyone.

Sincerely,

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