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USAmeriBancorp, Inc. Makes Investment In ALIANT Financial Corp.

**-- Investment by Tampa Bay bank's holding company
will help Alabama bank take advantage of growth opportunities --**

TAMPA, Fla. (November 30, 2009) - USAmeriBancorp, Inc., the holding company for USAmeriBank, has made a \$25 million investment in ALIANT Financial Corp., the holding company for ALIANT Bank, based in Alexander City, Alabama.

The transaction, which closed today, will help ALIANT take advantage of growth opportunities in its key markets of Birmingham, Montgomery, and Alexander City, Alabama. The investment, which gives USAmeriBancorp a minority stake in ALIANT, provides capital to the Alabama bank as it focuses on lending to growing businesses.

USAmeriBancorp's USAmeriBank is one of the fastest-growing banks in the Tampa Bay area, building an asset base of approximately \$800 million in three years of existence. ALIANT, a 109-year-old institution with assets just under \$1 billion, is a like-minded mid-sized bank.

"We are very pleased to invest in a bank that, like us, has excellent growth prospects tied to its ability to build relationships with quality business customers," said Joe Chillura, Chief Executive Officer of USAmeriBank.

The transaction will have no impact on ALIANT's day-to-day operations. USAmeriBancorp will have two seats on ALIANT's board, but USAmeriBank's focus will continue to be on growing its business in the Tampa Bay area.

"As the Alabama economy rebounds, this investment will provide resources for us to take a major role in that growth," said Eric Hamilton, Chief Executive Officer of ALIANT. "We are proud of our long history of supporting Alabama business, and look forward to putting this capital to use."

For more information on USAmeriBank, please see the website at www.usameribank.com, or contact Kyle Parks at 813-352-1325.

About USAmeriBank: USAmeriBank is an independent, non-public bank that is committed to establishing itself as an outstanding middle-market financial institution serving the needs of individuals and businesses in the Tampa Bay community. Operated by well-known Tampa Bay-based bankers including Joe Chillura, Brad McMurtrey and Al Rogers, USAmeriBank is one of the fastest-growing banks in Florida. It opened its doors in February 2007 and now has five branches. Its parent company is USAmeriBancorp. For more information on USAmeriBank, please visit www.usameribank.com.