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USAmeriBank earns Community Design Award from the Hillsborough Planning Commission

Bank recognized for renovation of historic building in downtown Tampa

TAMPA, Fla. (May 18, 2010) – USAmeriBank has been recognized with a Community Design Award from the Hillsborough Planning Commission for the renovation of its branch location at the corner of North Tampa and East Whiting streets in downtown Tampa.

The 1907 building features a 100-year-old brick façade which was kept intact in the renovation, done in 2009 under the supervision of Tampa architectural firm RRW Architects & Planners and design firm AIA Inc. Over the years, the building has housed everything from a print shop to a restaurant to a produce market.

The design of the renovated building resulted in an aesthetically pleasing mix of traditional and contemporary, with the historic brick walls surrounded by modern glass, rising up to a spectacular 27-foot-high steel-barrel vaulted ceiling.

USAmeriBank won its award in the Urban Infill category, presented at an April 29 ceremony at the David A. Straz Center for the Performing Arts. The awards commend excellence in a wide variety of projects contributing to the quality of life in Hillsborough County.

“The integrity of the quality of life in the communities where we live and work is vital to economic development and successful business,” said Joseph Chillura, CEO of USAmeriBank. “We’re proud of what we were able to accomplish with this building, which we consider to be an excellent investment in Tampa.”

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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 by providing a high-level of personalized service and attention to its targeted customer base. Operated by well-known Tampa Bay-based bankers including Joseph Chillura, Brad McMurtrey and Al Rogers, USAmeriBank is one of the fastest-growing banks in Florida. Information on USAmeriBank is available at www.usameribank.com.

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