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Union Bankshares Corporation Completes Acquisition of Xenith Bankshares, Inc.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 01, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Union Bankshares Corporation ("Union") today announced the completion of its acquisition of Xenith Bankshares, Inc. ("Xenith"). The combination creates a Virginia headquartered independent regional bank for the first time in nearly 20 years.

Under the terms of the merger agreement, Xenith shareholders received 0.9354 shares of Union common stock in exchange for each share of Xenith common stock they owned, with cash paid in lieu of fractional shares.

"Today marks the start of something remarkable for businesses and consumers in Virginia, Maryland and North Carolina – an independent regional bank headquartered in the Commonwealth," said John C. Asbury, president and chief executive officer of Union. "We believe that our two companies are stronger together and the combination gives Union a unique franchise to create long term shareholder value. We expect that our combined statewide footprint will bring additional convenience to our customers and position us as a strong competitor against large regional institutions and smaller community banks alike – making us the preeminent commercial bank headquartered in Virginia.

"The integration work is going well and everything remains on track for a systems conversion in late May 2018. Our teammates have been working tirelessly to ensure a smooth integration. I want to thank them for their continued customer focus during this transition period."

Pursuant to the merger agreement, Patrick E. Corbin and Thomas G. Snead have been named to the Board of Directors of Union Bankshares Corporation. Corbin, 63, has been the Managing Shareholder of Corbin & Company, P.C. since 1983 and has been a CPA since 1979. Snead, 64, was the former Chairman and CEO of Trigon Blue Cross/Blue Shield in Richmond and later CEO of Anthem, Inc., Southeast Region, a managed care and health insurance company.

Based on financial information reported as of September 30, 2017, the combined company would have total assets of approximately \$12.3 billion, deposits of approximately \$9.5 billion and loans of approximately \$9.3 billion. Union will separately operate the former Xenith Bank branches as Xenith Bank, a division of Union Bank & Trust of Richmond, Virginia until systems conversion in late May 2018.

ABOUT UNION BANKSHARES CORPORATION

Headquartered in Richmond, Virginia, Union Bankshares Corporation (NASDAQ:UBSH) is the holding company for Union Bank & Trust, which has 151 banking offices, 40 of which are operated as Xenith Bank, a division of Union Bank & Trust of Richmond, Virginia, and approximately 220 ATMs located throughout Virginia, Maryland and North Carolina. Union Bank & Trust also operates Shore Premier Finance, a specialty marine lender. Non-bank

affiliates of the holding company include: Union Mortgage Group, Inc., which provides a full line of mortgage products, Old Dominion Capital Management, Inc., which provides investment advisory services, and Union Insurance Group, LLC, which offers various lines of insurance products.

Additional information on the Company is available at <http://investors.bankatunion.com>.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

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