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ST. LOUIS, Mo. — The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, acting pursuant to delegated authority for the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, today approved the notification by Mercantile Bancorp, Inc., Quincy, Illinois, to acquire up to an additional 15.77 percent, for total ownership of 39.95 percent of the outstanding voting shares of New Frontier Bancshares, Inc., St. Charles, Missouri.

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