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Tyner Named President 2005-2006 Independent Banks of South Carolina

Mr. Curtis A. Tyner, President and CEO of Heritage Community Bank and Regional Bankshares, Inc. was elected President of the Independent Banks of South Carolina (IBSC) at the IBSC Convention at Atlantis, Paradise Island, Nassau, Bahamas. Curtis A. Tyner is married to the former Pam Hawkins. Both are Hartsville natives and graduates of Hartsville High School. They have two sons; Curtis, Jr., who resides in Easley, S.C. with his wife Jan and their two daughters; and Robert who is a senior at USC in Columbia and works for First Community Bank. Tyner and his wife Pam reside in the Kelleytown community of Darlington County, South Carolina.

Tyner is a former Rotarian and was a member of the Marion Club and the Pleasantburg Club in Greenville. He is currently a member of the Hartsville Kiwanis Club, Past Chairman of the Hartsville Chamber of Commerce. Civic activities have included United Way Board, Pee Dee Easter Seals Board, President Pee Dee Education Foundation, Coker College Board of Visitors, South Carolina Regional Housing Authority Board, Darlington County Habitat for Humanity Board, Black Creek Arts Council Board, South Carolina Bankers Association Board, and Thomas Hart Academy Board. He was a founding board member and President of the Arts Council of Marion County.

Tyner, a Marine Corps Veteran, earned a BS in business from Francis Marion University and an MBA from the University of South Carolina. He held the South Carolina Bankers Association Past President's Fellowship Award and was a graduate assistant for the chair of banking at USC. He is a graduate of ABA's Stonier Graduate School of Banking, National Commercial Lending School, and National Commercial Lending Graduate School.

Tyner spent nineteen years in Laurens with The Palmetto Bank and Palmetto Bancshares as EVP and Senior Credit Officer. He also served as EVP with First National South Bank and M&M Financial Corp. in Marion, SC. In 1999 he was an organizing director of Hartsville Community Bank, now Heritage Community Bank, and currently serves as President and CEO of the bank and President and CEO of the parent, Regional Bankshares, Inc. Curtis and Pam are members of Wesley United Methodist Church in Hartsville where he is a lay leader and currently serves on the finance and building committees. He enjoys golf, travel, South Carolina football games, and visiting his two granddaughters.

Other officers elected by the Independent Banks were: **President-Elect**, Shawn R. McGee, The Peoples Bank, Iva, SC; **Vice President**, Barry L. Slider, First South Bank, Spartanburg, SC; **Secretary/Treasurer**, Henry M. Funderburk, III, Darlington County Bank, Darlington, SC. Board members elected were: **District 1**: Ben Seabrook, SouthCoast Community Bank, Mt. Pleasant, SC; **District 2**: Phil Smith, The Citizens Bank, Olanta, SC; **District 3**: Barry Ham, The Bank of Clarendon, Manning, SC and William Harwell, The Bank of Ridgeway, Ridgeway, SC; **At Large**: Steve Farr, Bank of Travelers Rest, Travelers Rest, SC.

The Independent Banks of South Carolina (IBSC) is an association of 68 locally owned and operated banks in South Carolina, which promotes the interests and general welfare of the independent community banks within the state.