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TOTALBANK WELCOMES NEW DOWNTOWN MANAGING DIRECTOR

MIAMI—September 14, 2012—TotalBank welcomes **Nordis Alvarez** as Vice President and Managing Director of its Downtown Banking Center.

"TotalBank is delighted to have an energetic rising star like Nordis. We are confident her leadership skills will enhance this pivotal financial hub," said Luis de la Aguilera, President and Chief Marketing Officer.

Alvarez was most recently Vice President, Branch Manager and Business Developer at Executive National Bank. She began her banking career at BankAtlantic where she quickly rose from Customer Service Representative to Vice President and Market Manager within six years.

Alvarez is President-Elect for the Women's Chamber of Commerce of Miami Dade. She is also a member of the Young Philanthropists of Baptist Health, the Pinecrest Business Association, Chamber South and Commonwealth Institute.

About TotalBank

TotalBank is a leading integrated retail-commercial bank in South Florida with more than $2.3 billion in assets and 19 convenient locations throughout Miami-Dade County. Headquartered in Miami, TotalBank has served the South Florida community for 38 years, offering a broad range of domestic and international financial services to corporations, small businesses and individual consumers. The bank offers superior customer service focused on meeting the financial needs of customers while earning their confidence and loyalty. A member of GrupoBanco Popular Español, with more than $230 billion in assets and 2,700 branches, TotalBank is strengthened by its parent, one of the largest banking groups in Spain. More information can be found at www.totalbank.com.

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