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INDEPENDENT ALLIANCE BANKS NAMED IN THE TOP 200 COMMUNITY BANKS

FORT WAYNE, IN, June 2010 – Independent Alliance Banks, Inc (IAB) the holding company for MarkleBank and Grabill Bank, has been recognized in the top 200 community banks and thrifts in the *US Banker's* annual ranking. This ranking is based on a 3 year average return on equity as of December 31.

Independent Alliance Banks was listed as 119 with a 3 year return on average equity of 9.92 percent and a 2009 return on average equity of 10.04 percent. The list included public banks and thrifts listed on major exchanges, pink sheets and bulletin board. Private companies that file with the SEC are also included. The data was compiled by SNL Financial. Of the 200 top community banks on the list, only 8 were from Indiana.

Independent Alliance Banks, Inc. established in 2005, is a two-bank holding company that includes MarkleBank and Grabill Bank. IAB employs approximately 255 people in our local communities with include Markle, Bluffton, Van Buren, Warren, Huntington, Fort Wayne, New Haven, Leo, Grabill and Harlan.

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