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**HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES TO PRESENT AT
THE CITI FINANCIAL SERVICES CONFERENCE**

COLUMBUS, Ohio – Huntington Bancshares Incorporated (NASDAQ: HBAN; www.huntington.com) will be participating in the Citi Financial Services Conference on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at The Waldorf Astoria, New York City. Mr. Stephen D. Steinour, Chairman, President and CEO, Mr. Don Kimble, Executive Vice President and CFO, and Mr. Tim Barber, Senior Vice President, Credit Risk Management, are scheduled to present to analysts and investors at 9:45 a.m. ET. Steinour, Kimble and Barber will discuss business and financial performance and strategies, and the presentation will include forward-looking statements.

Webcast Information

Interested investors may access the live audio presentation, with slides available for viewing, by visiting www.huntington-ir.com. A replay of the webcast will be archived in the investor relations section of Huntington's website at www.huntington.com.

About Huntington

Huntington Bancshares Incorporated is a \$54 billion regional bank holding company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. Huntington has more than 142 years of serving the financial needs of its customers. Huntington's banking subsidiary, The Huntington National Bank, provides innovative retail and commercial financial products and services through over 600 regional banking offices in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. Huntington also offers retail and commercial financial services online at huntington.com; through its technologically advanced, 24-hour telephone bank; and through its network of almost 1,400 ATMs. Selected financial service activities are also conducted in other states including: Auto Finance & Dealer Services offices in Arizona, Florida, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia; Private Financial and Capital Markets Group offices in Florida; and Mortgage Banking offices in Maryland and New Jersey. Huntington Insurance offers retail and commercial insurance agency services in Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. International banking services are made available through the headquarters office in Columbus, a limited purpose office located in the Cayman Islands, and another located in Hong Kong.

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