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Financing Secured for Hotel and Conference Center

The City of Jonesboro has been notified by representatives of the Keller Family in Effingham, Illinois that the financing approval has been obtained to construct a 152-room Hyatt Place hotel and Conference Center in Jonesboro. Financing for the project was approved locally by First Community Bank.

Chuck Keller, whose family has operated hotels and conference centers for over 50 years, has been working with the city for several years in hopes of building a facility in Jonesboro.

“I am very excited to be able to make the announcement that this conference center is coming to Jonesboro,” Mayor Harold Perrin said. “We have had tremendous interest in the last several years from multiple entities, and I have worked with all of them in trying to secure a center for our city. As a growing community, we have been blessed with several recent hotel projects. In addition to the Hyatt Place project, Arkansas State University has been working on a full-service hotel property to be located on campus. I am confident that both of these projects will be a tremendous asset to our city.”

“This has been a long process, and I am happy to be moving this project to the next level. I am looking forward to working with Chuck (Keller) and his family in the monumental endeavor for the City of Jonesboro.”

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