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Associated Banc-Corp Declares Quarterly Cash Dividend

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GREEN BAY, Wis., April 26, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- The Board of Directors of Associated Banc-Corp (NASDAQ: ASBC) announced today a regular quarterly cash dividend of one cent(\$0.01) per share, payable on May 16, 2011, to shareholders of record on May 6, 2011.

About Associated Banc-Corp

Associated Banc-Corp (NASDAQ: ASBC) is one of the top 50 financial services holding companies operating in the United States. At December 31, 2010, Associated had total assets of \$22 billion. Headquartered in Green Bay, Wis., Associated has approximately 280 banking locations serving more than 150 communities in Wisconsin, Illinois and Minnesota. The company offers a full range of banking services and other financial products and services. More information about Associated Banc-Corp is available at **www.associatedbank.com**.

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