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### **Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. Announces Regular Quarterly Dividend**

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS – Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. (NASDAQ: OZRK) announced its Board of Directors has approved its regular quarterly cash dividend of \$0.13 per common share. This dividend is payable May 8, 2009 to common shareholders of record as of May 1, 2009.

Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. common stock trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol “OZRK”. The Company owns a state-chartered subsidiary bank that conducts banking operations through 72 offices including 65 banking offices in 34 communities throughout northern, western and central Arkansas, six Texas banking offices, and a loan production office in Charlotte, North Carolina. With \$3.2 billion in assets as of March 31, 2009, Bank of the Ozarks is the second largest bank headquartered in Arkansas. The Company may be contacted at (501) 978-2265 or P. O. Box 8811, Little Rock, Arkansas 72231-8811. The Company’s website is: [www.bankozarks.com](http://www.bankozarks.com).