

GREEN BANKSHARES, INC.  
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August 26, 2011

UNITED STATES  
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**GREEN BANKSHARES, INC.**

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Dear Fellow Shareholder:

**TIME IS SHORT AND YOUR VOTE IMPORTANT!**

The important special meeting of Green Bankshares, Inc. shareholders is just over a week away, and according to our latest records, we have not yet received your proxy. **The Board of Directors believes that the Company's business, financial results and prospects could be materially and adversely affected if the transaction with NAFH is not completed.**

**LEADING PROXY ADVISORY SERVICES RECOMMEND FOR**

Institutional Shareholder Services and Glass, Lewis & Co., LLC, whose analyses and recommendations are relied upon by hundreds of major institutional investment firms, mutual funds and fiduciaries, have both recommended that Green Bankshares shareholders vote FOR the proposals relating to the transaction. In its report Glass Lewis noted: In light of the Company's operating and capital troubles as well as the rigorous strategic review process conducted by the board and the independent financial advisor, we believe that shareholders should support these proposals.

Even if you believe you have already done so, please take a moment to **vote your shares FOR** the proposals set out in the proxy statement. To ensure your shares are represented at the meeting, **please vote TODAY by telephone or over the Internet**, following the easy instructions on the enclosed proxy card.

Very truly yours,

Stephen M. Rownd  
*Chairman of the Board,*  
*Chief Executive Officer and President*

If you have any questions, or need assistance in the last-minute voting of your shares, please call our proxy solicitor,

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