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BETTE B. ANDERSON IS SWORN IN AS TREASURY UNDER SECRETARY

Treasury Secretary W. Michael Blumenthal today swore in Bette B. Anderson of Savannah, Georgia, as Under Secretary of the Treasury. She will be Treasury's fourth-ranking executive and the first woman to attain such a high-level post in the long history of the Treasury Department.

Ms. Anderson, 48, was nominated by President Carter on March 3 and confirmed by the Senate on March 30, 1977.

Prior to her nomination, Ms. Anderson was Vice President of the Citizens & Southern National Bank of Savannah, Georgia. She began her career with the bank as a teller trainee in 1947, and progressed through the bank's ranks to banking officer in 1970 and assistant vice president in 1973. She was named vice president in 1976.

Until she accepted the Treasury post, she was President of the National Association of Bank Women, and had served in that organization as officer and committee chairman since 1970, helping to develop the Association's education programs for middle and upper level management.

As Under Secretary, Ms. Anderson will have responsibility for Treasury's Administration and Enforcement, Operations and Tariff Affairs offices. In addition, she will provide management guidance to its operating bureaus, U.S. Customs Service, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the Bureau of the Mint, the U.S. Secret Service and the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center. She will also serve as interdepartmental liaison officer.

Ms. Anderson attended Georgia Southern College, Armstrong State College and earned certification from the Stonier Graduate School of Banking, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J. in 1975.

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Other professional affiliations include the Oglethorpe Business & Professional Women's Club, the Georgia Banker's Association, former president of the Southeastern Region Women in Chambers of Commerce and the American Institute of Banking. She has also been active in community organizations including the United Community Appeal, the Savannah Arts Festivel, American Cancer Society, YWCA, and the Savannah Council of Girl Scouts. She is a Methodist and has participated in many church-related activities.

Ms. Anderson is married to George H. Anderson, an officer of Grumman Aviation Corp. in Savannah. They have one married daughter, Sue, who is the wife of Charles Strickland, also of Savannah.