

4. In their discretion, on such other matters that may properly come before the meeting and any adjournments thereof.

## B Non-Voting Items

Change of Address — Please print new address below.		Meeting Attendance Mark box to the right if you plan to attend the Annual Meeting.
<b>C</b> Authorized Signatures — This section must be NOTE: Please sign your name(s) EXACTLY as your name(s) appear corporate officer, please provide your FULL title. Date (mm/dd/yyyy) — Please print date below.		•
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## Proxy — FIRST MID-ILLINOIS BANCSHARES, INC.

## PROXY is Solicited By the Board of Directors For the Annual Meeting of Stockholders – April 27, 2011

The undersigned hereby appoints Michael L. Taylor, John W. Hedges and Laurel G. Allenbaugh, or any of them acting in the absence of the others, with full power of substitution, as attorneys and proxies, for and in the name and place of the undersigned, to vote the number of shares of Common Stock that the undersigned would be entitled to vote if then personally present and voting at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of First Mid-Illinois Bancshares, Inc., to be held in the lobby of First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust, 1515 Charleston Avenue, Mattoon, Illinois, on April 27, 2011, at 4:00 p.m., local time, or any adjournments or postponements thereof, upon the matters set forth in the Notice of Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement as designated on the reverse and, in their discretion, upon such other business as may come before the meeting.

THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS MADE. IF NO CHOICE IS INDICATED, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR THE ELECTION OF ALL NOMINEES LISTED HEREON.

## YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT!

PLEASE VOTE YOUR SHARES BY COMPLETING, SIGNING, DATING AND RETURNING THIS PROXY CARD PROMPTLY USING THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE.

(Continued and to be signed and dated on the reverse side.)