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GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP, INC. ANNOUNCES

SUBORDINATED NOTES OFFERING

SPRINGFIELD, MO. Great Southern Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: GSBC) (“Great Southern” or the “Company”), the holding company for Great Southern Bank (the “Bank”), today announced that it had commenced a public offering of \$50,000,000 of its fixed-to-floating rate subordinated notes, due 2026.

The Company intends to use the net proceeds of the offering for general corporate purposes, including but not limited to contribution of capital to the Bank to support organic growth and opportunistic acquisitions, should appropriate acquisition opportunities arise.

Sandler O’Neill + Partners, L.P. is acting as underwriter for the offering.

The subordinated notes will be offered and sold pursuant to an effective shelf registration statement (File No. 333-212444), the base prospectus included in the registration statement, a preliminary prospectus supplement relating to the offering of the subordinated notes filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”), and a final prospectus supplement to be filed with the SEC following the pricing of the issue, if any. Before you invest, you should read the base prospectus in the registration statement, the prospectus supplement relating to the offering and other documents the Company has filed and will file with the SEC for more complete information about the Company

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and the offering. You may obtain copies of the preliminary prospectus supplement and accompanying base prospectus relating to the offering without charge by visiting the SEC's website at www.sec.gov, or from Sandler O'Neill + Partners, L.P. at Attention: Syndicate, 1251 Avenue of the Americas, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10020, or by calling toll- free at (866)-805-4128, or by e-mail at syndicate@sandleroneill.com.

This press release is for informational purposes only and is not an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to sell any security of the Company, which is made only by means of a prospectus supplement and related base prospectus, nor will there be any sale of any security in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful. The securities are neither insured nor approved by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Headquartered in Springfield, Mo., Great Southern offers a broad range of banking services to customers through the Bank, which commenced operations in 1923. The Company operates 106 retail banking centers and more than 200 ATMs in Missouri, Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota and Nebraska and commercial loan offices in Tulsa, Okla., and Dallas, Texas. The common stock of Great Southern Bancorp, Inc. is listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol "GSBC."

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Forward-Looking Statements

When used in this press release and documents filed or furnished by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), in the Company's other press releases or other public or stockholder communications, and in oral statements made with the approval of an authorized executive officer, the words or phrases "will likely result," "are expected to," "will continue," "is anticipated," "estimate," "project," "intends" or similar expressions are intended to identify "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, including, among other things, (i) non-interest expense reductions from Great Southern's banking center consolidations might be less than anticipated and the costs of the consolidation and impairment of the value of the affected premises might be greater than expected; (ii) expected revenues, cost savings, earnings accretion, synergies and other benefits from the Fifth Third Bank branch acquisition and the Company's other merger and acquisition activities might not be realized within the anticipated time frames or at all, and costs or difficulties relating to integration matters, including but not limited to customer and employee retention, might be greater than expected; (iii) changes in economic conditions, either nationally or in the Company's market areas; (iv) fluctuations in interest rates; (v) the risks of lending and investing activities, including changes in the level and direction of loan delinquencies and write-offs and changes in estimates of the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses; (vi) the possibility of other-than-temporary impairments of securities held in the Company's securities portfolio; (vii) the Company's ability to access cost-effective funding; (viii) fluctuations in real estate values and both residential and commercial real estate market conditions; (ix) demand for loans and deposits in the Company's market areas; (x) the ability to adapt successfully to technological changes to meet customers' needs and developments in the marketplace; (xi) the possibility that security measures implemented might not be sufficient to mitigate the risk of a cyber attack or cyber theft, and that such security measures might not protect against systems failures or interruptions; (xii) legislative or regulatory changes that adversely affect the Company's business, including, without limitation, the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and its implementing regulations, and the overdraft protection regulations and customers' responses thereto; (xiii) changes in accounting principles, policies or guidelines; (xiv) monetary and fiscal policies of the Federal Reserve Board and the U.S. Government and other governmental initiatives affecting the financial services industry; (xv) results of examinations of the Company and the Bank by their regulators, including the possibility that the regulators may, among other things, require the Company to increase its allowance for loan losses or to write-down assets; (xvi) costs and effects of litigation, including settlements and judgments; and (xvii) competition. The Company wishes to advise readers that the factors listed above and other risks described from time to time in documents filed or furnished by the Company with the SEC could affect the Company's financial performance and could cause the Company's actual results for future periods to differ materially from any opinions or statements expressed with respect to future periods in any current statements.

The Company does not undertake-and specifically declines any obligation- to publicly release the result of any revisions which may be made to any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of such statements or to reflect the occurrence of anticipated or unanticipated events.