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The President today announced his intention to nominate Ben B. Blackburn, of Decatur, Georgia, to be a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 1978. He will succeed Thomas R. Bomar who resigned effective June 20, 1975. Upon confirmation by the Senate the President intends to designate Mr. Blackburn as Chairman of the Board.

In 1966, Mr. Blackburn was elected to the United States House of Representatives from the Fourth District of Georgia and was re-elected to the 91st, 92nd and 93rd Congresses. He is presently in the private practice of law in Decatur, Georgia.

Prior to his election to the House, Mr. Blackburn was a partner in the law firm of Peek, Whaley & Blackburn from 1956 to 1967. He served on the staff of the Attorney General of the State of Georgia from 1955 to 1956.

Mr. Blackburn was born on February 14, 1927, in Atlanta, Georgia. He received his B.A. degree from the University of North Carolina in 1947 and his LL.B. from Emory University School of Law in 1954. He served in the United States Navy from 1944 to 1946.

Mr. Blackburn is married to the former Mary A. Pandora of San Pedro, California and they have four children.

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