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**Summit State Bank Promotes Roni Brown to Senior Vice President and Welcomes Cindy McConnell as Senior Vice President and Loan Operations Manager and Michael Castlio as Senior Vice President and Loan Administrator.**

**Santa Rosa, CA** – (May 29, 2019) – Summit State Bank (NASDAQ: SSBI) promotes Roni Brown to Senior Vice President and welcomes Cindy McConnell as Senior Vice President and Loan Operations Manager and Michael Castlio as Senior Vice President and Loan Administrator.

“We are pleased to have Cindy and Michael join our lending team. Cindy’s community banking experience and her extensive knowledge of the lending function makes her well-suited for her position. Michael’s banking experience will serve him well as he will play a significant role in processing the work for the anticipated loan growth. In his new role, Michael is leading our Credit Administration Team. We are well positioned to serve the lending needs of small businesses and nonprofits while achieving greater results well into the future. As announced earlier this year, we’re refreshing our brand to better reflect our unique position as a community – focused bank. Roni has been the key driver of this refresh and we are fortunate to have her talent and expertise on our team,” said Jim Brush, President and CEO of Summit State Bank.

Cindy has over 35 years of banking experience and enjoys giving back to the community through volunteering. In her free time, she likes to spend time with her friends and family and spends as much time as possible at the lake wake boarding and wake surfing.

Michael has over 25 years of banking experience, most recently Poppy Bank. He earned a B.S. from San Jose State University. Michael can be seen on the sidelines of the soccer field watching his son play or on the course playing golf.

Roni has over 25 years of banking experience and has been serving as the Bank’s Marketing Director since 2014 when she joined the Bank. In addition to banking, Roni has worked in healthcare and, most recently, in the telecommunications field. Roni is a graduate of the School of Bank Marketing at the University of Colorado at Boulder. Roni currently serves as Board President for Court Appointed Special Advocated (CASA) of Sonoma County. In her free time, Roni enjoys spending time with her six grandchildren.

**About Summit State Bank**

Summit State Bank, a local community bank, has total assets of \$626 million and total equity of \$63 million at March 31, 2019. Headquartered in Sonoma County, the Bank specializes in providing exceptional customer service and customized financial solutions to aid in the success of local small businesses and nonprofits throughout Sonoma County.

Summit State Bank is committed to embracing the diverse backgrounds, cultures and talents of its employees to create high performance and support the evolving needs of its customers and community it serves. At the center of diversity is inclusion, collaboration, and a shared vision for delivering superior service and results for shareholders. Presently, 82% of management are women and minorities with 60% represented on the Executive Management Team. Through the engagement of its team, Summit State Bank has received many esteemed awards including: Best Business Bank, Corporate Philanthropy Award and Best Places to Work in the North Bay.

Summit State Bank's stock is traded on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol SSBI. Further information can be found at [www.summitstatebank.com](http://www.summitstatebank.com).

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