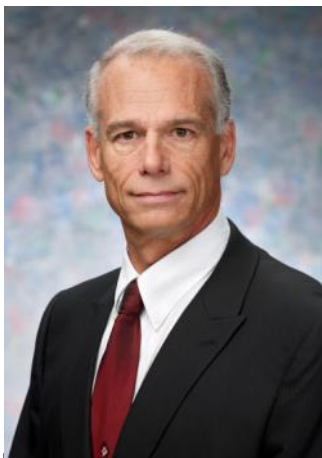


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**John Thayer Joins First Northern Bank as
Vice President/Commercial Loan Officer**



John Thayer
Vice President
Commercial Loan Officer

Carol Landry, Vice President of First Northern Bank's Western Region Commercial Loan Team, is pleased to announce that John Thayer has joined the Bank as Vice President/Commercial Loan Officer. John will be responsible for managing business relationships with customers from Fairfield to Sacramento; his office is located in Davis, Calif.

John began his banking career in 1975, and has an extensive background in commercial lending, real estate lending, business development, and branch management. He comes to First Northern Bank from Bank of Sacramento, where he most recently served as Senior Vice President and Business Development Officer.

"John has more than 30 years of experience managing customer lending relationships – and most of it in community banking," Ms. Landry says. "We're very pleased that John made the decision to join First Northern Bank's commercial lending team."

Long active in the Solano business community, John is a Past-President of the Cordelia Rotary Club and has been involved with numerous Chambers of Commerce.

John earned a Bachelor of Science from Southern Oregon College in Business Administration, and has completed coursework through the American Institute of Banking and the Society of Real Estate Appraisers. He and his wife, who live in Vacaville, are planning to relocate to Davis soon. They have three grown children.

About First Northern Bank

First Northern Bank, an independent community bank headquartered in Solano County since 1910, serves Solano, Yolo, Sacramento, Placer and the west slope of El Dorado County. First Northern has 11 branches located in Dixon, Davis, West Sacramento, Fairfield, Vacaville (2), Winters, Woodland, Downtown Sacramento, Roseville, and Auburn, and has a full service Trust Department in Sacramento. First Northern Bank also offers 24/7 real estate mortgage loans, SBA Loans, and non-FDIC insured Investment and Brokerage Services at each branch location. Real Estate Mortgage Loan offices are located in Davis, Roseville and Folsom, and real estate loan representatives are available to meet customers at any of the Bank's branches by appointment. The Bank specializes in relationship banking and employs experts in the area of small business, commercial, agribusiness, and real estate lending, as well as wealth management. The Bank can be found on the Web at www.thatsmybank.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may include certain "forward-looking statements" about First Northern Community Bancorp (the "Company"). These forward-looking statements are based on management's current expectations and are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and changes in circumstances. Actual results may differ materially from these expectations due to changes in global political, economic, business, competitive, market and regulatory factors. More detailed information about these risk factors is contained in the Company's most recent reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Forms 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K, each as it may be amended from time to time, which identify important risk factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements. The financial information contained in this release should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's most recent reports on Form 10-K and Form 10-Q. The Company undertakes no obligation to update these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances arising after the date on which they are made. For further information regarding the Company, please read the Company's reports filed with the SEC and available at www.sec.gov.

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