



## **PRESS RELEASE** FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## Jeremiah Smith Promoted to Senior Executive Vice President of First Northern Bank



Jeremiah Z. Smith Senior Executive Vice President/ Chief Operating Officer & Chief Financial Officer *First Northern Bank* 

**Dixon, Calif.**—First Northern Bank (FNRN: OTCQB), is pleased to announce the promotion of **Jeremiah Z. Smith** to the position of Senior Executive Vice President/Chief Operating Officer & Chief Financial Officer, effective October 15, 2014.

In this position, Jeremiah is responsible for bankwide branch and deposit operations, financial operating results, information security, oversight of the human resources function, and regulatory compliance. He will also be a voting member of Management Loan Committee.

Jeremiah has served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of First Northern since the end of 2010. He joined the Bank in 2003, was named Assistant Controller in 2005, and was promoted to Senior Vice President and Corporate Controller, a position he held until 2010.

"Jeremiah's leadership skills as CFO have allowed him to successfully take on additional responsibilities and demonstrate strong problem-solving abilities during one of

the toughest economic environments in recent history," President & CEO Louise Walker said in announcing the promotion.

Jeremiah is a member of the California Bankers Association's State Government Relations Committee, a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) and the Rotary Club of West Sacramento, and currently serves on the Board of Directors of the United Way California Capital Region. Jeremiah received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a concentration in Finance from California State University, Sacramento. He is a Certified Public Accountant, licensed in the state of California. In 2008, Jeremiah graduated from the Pacific Coast Banking School at the University of Washington, Seattle.

Raised in Dixon, Jeremiah now calls West Sacramento home, where he lives with his wife and four 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 nine branches located in Dixon, Davis, West Sacramento, Fairfield, Vacaville, Winters, Woodland, Roseville and Auburn. The Bank has a full-service Trust Department in Sacramento, and in April 2013, it opened a commercial lending office in Walnut Creek. First Northern Bank also offers 24/7 real estate mortgage loans, SBA Loans (Preferred Lender), and non-FDIC insured Investment and Brokerage Services at each branch location. In addition, the Bank has a Real Estate Mortgage Loan office located in Davis, 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, and is rated as a "Superior" 5-Star Bank by BauerFinancial Inc. (www.bauerfinancial.com). The Bank can be found on the Web at www.thatsmybank.com, on Facebook and on LinkedIn.

## Forward-Looking Statements

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