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**First Northern Bank Promotes Jeremiah Smith to
Senior Vice President/Corporate Controller**



Jeremiah Z. Smith
Senior Vice
President/
Corporate Controller

Dixon, California – First Northern Bank (FNRN.OB) is pleased to announce the promotion of Jeremiah Z. Smith to Senior Vice President/Corporate Controller of First Northern Bank and the holding company First Northern Community Bancorp, effective May 1.

In this position, Jeremiah will supervise the finance department and oversee the Company's accounting systems, forecasting, planning, budgeting, and regulatory reporting and analysis at First Northern Bank. He reports to Louise Walker, Senior Executive Vice President/Chief Financial Officer.

Jeremiah is replacing Stanley R. Bean, Senior Vice President/Controller, who retired April 30 after 33 years of exemplary service to First Northern Bank.

“We’re fortunate to have had Stan with us for so many years. Jeremiah and Stan have been working closely together to ensure that this will be a smooth transition,” Louise said. “Jeremiah has proven to be an exceptionally talented and highly skilled banker, so selecting him to replace Stan was an easy decision.”

“I’m excited about my new role at First Northern Bank. I grew up in Dixon and am looking forward to this opportunity to continue serving the Dixon community, as well as the many other communities the Bank serves.”

Jeremiah has worked at First Northern Bank for seven years; in 2005, he was promoted to Assistant Controller. He holds a B.S. in Business Administration with a concentration in Finance and 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 in Seattle. He is a member of the California Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Jeremiah lives in West Sacramento with his wife Lisa and their three young children.

First Northern Bank marked its 100th year in business on February 1. Festivities are planned throughout 2010, as First Northern celebrates its history as one of the Sacramento region's oldest, most trusted community banks.

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, a Small Business Loan Office in Roseville and a full-service Trust Department in Sacramento. First Northern Bank also offers 24/7 real estate mortgage loans and non-FDIC insured Investment and Brokerage Services at each branch location. Real Estate 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 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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