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Julio Ruiz Joins First Northern Bank's Yolo-Solano Lending Team as Vice President/Business Banking Relationship Manager



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Vice President
Business Banking
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Dixon, CA—Carol Landry, Senior Vice President/ Yolo-Solano Commercial Loan Team Leader is pleased to announce that Julio Ruiz has joined its Yolo-Solano Lending Team as Vice President/Business Banking Relationship Manager.

First Northern Bank, the Sacramento Region's local leader in small business lending and customer satisfaction, underwrites and funds a full range of business lines of credit, equipment loans and leases, owner and investor commercial real estate loans, construction loans, Commercial & Industrial loans, SBA 504 and 7A loans, letters of credit, and business acquisition loans throughout Yolo, Solano, Placer, El Dorado, and Sacramento, counties, as well as the East Bay Area Region.

Julio's 19 years in the financial services industry includes commercial, business, and personal banking, relationship management, underwriting, marketing, sales, and business development. Prior to joining First Northern Bank, Julio

served as Vice President/Business Relationship Manager for California Bank & Trust in Sacramento.

In his new role, he will identify and source lending opportunities, as well as deposit and treasury relationships, and assist clients with their overall financial management within Yolo and Solano Counties.

Julio is currently a member and a former board member of Sacramento's Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, member of the National Hispanic Association of Real Estate Professionals, and former board member of the Waldorf School in Davis.

He enjoys supporting the Make-a-Wish Foundation, the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, and has volunteered as a football coach for ten years. He looks forward to more volunteer opportunities this year.

Julio has completed business coursework at Contra Costa Community College and business credit training from Moody's Analytics and Omega Performance. He lives in Woodland and enjoys playing golf, attending his sons' football games, and spending time with family.

Julio's office is located in First Northern Bank's Woodland Financial Center at 11 W. Court Street., Suite A. Julio is available by appointment; he can be reached at (530) 406-2058 or (916) 661-7835 (cell), or <u>jruiz@thatsmybank.com</u>.

About First Northern Bank

As the Sacramento Region's local leader in small-business lending and customer satisfaction, First Northern specializes in relationship banking. Experts are available in small-business, commercial, real estate and agribusiness lending, as well as mortgage loans. The Bank is an SBA Preferred Lender. Non-FDIC insured Investment and Brokerage Services are available at every branch location, through First Northern Advisors, including: Auburn, Davis, Dixon, Fairfield, Rancho Cordova, Roseville, Sacramento, Vacaville, West Sacramento, Winters, and Woodland. The Bank has a commercial lending office in Walnut Creek. Real estate mortgage and small-business loan officers are available by appointment in any of the Bank's branches. First Northern is rated as a Veribanc "Blue Ribbon" Bank and a "5-Star Superior" Bank by Bauer Financial, for the earnings period of March 31, 2021 (www.veribanc.com and www.bauerfinancial.com). The Bank can be found on the Web at www.thatsmybank.com, on Facebook and on LinkedIn.

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