



## **PRESS RELEASE** FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## First Northern Bank Welcomes Joe Kleemann as Vice President/Mortgage Lending Manager



Joe Kleemann Vice President/ Mortgage Lending Manager First Northern Bank

First Northern Bank (FNRN:OB), a leading independent community bank in the Sacramento area since 1910, is pleased to welcome Joseph "Joe" Kleemann as Vice President/ Mortgage Lending Manager.

Joe brings more than 22 years of mortgage origination and underwriting experience to First Northern Bank. Most recently, he was Vice President of Home Loans for Patelco Credit Union. He also served as Manager of Sales and Underwriting for SAFE Credit Union, and as a Loan Officer and Underwriter for The Money Store. Joe began his banking career with Wells Fargo.

Joe's primary responsibilities at First Northern will be to manage the Bank's real estate mortgage and construction loan business, as well as the sales efforts of the Real Estate Mortgage Loan Department.

"Mortgage rates are the lowest they've been all year long,

and First Northern offers very competitive rates. I'm looking forward to helping homebuyers realize their dream of home ownership and finding competitive rates for homeowners who want to refinance," he says.

Joe holds a B.S. in Agricultural and Managerial Economics from the University of California, Davis, as well as a California Real Estate Broker's License. He has called Sacramento home for 25 years, where he lives with his wife and two teen-age children.

Joe's office is located in First Northern Bank's Davis Real Estate Loan Office, at 508 Second Street in Davis. He may be reached at (530) 753-1585.

## 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 <u>www.thatsmybank.com</u>.

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