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**Cathleen Gorham Joins First Northern Bank as
Vice President/Operations Administrator**



Cathleen Gorham

Vice President/Operations
Administrator

Dixon, Calif.— Jeremiah Smith, Senior Executive Vice President/Chief Operating Officer, is pleased to announce that Cathleen Gorham has joined First Northern Bank as Vice President/Operations Administrator. Cathleen replaces Karen Walker, who will retire on April 28, 2017, after serving 40 years at the Bank.

Cathleen has 31 years' experience in the financial services industry, and has expertise with bank operations, branch administration, electronic banking, compliance, loan operations, and mortgage lending.

Cathleen spent five years as the Sonoma Branch Manager for Rabobank where she was responsible for customer relationship management and furthering the bank's presence in the Sonoma market. However, her earlier experience of 18 years at Sonoma Valley Bank, is where she gained her fondness for community banking and what ultimately led her to First Northern Bank.

In her new position, Cathleen will oversee central operations, bank security, facilities, and purchasing. She will also be responsible for bank-wide operational efficiencies, policies and procedures, fraud management, and project management.

Cathleen is a lifelong volunteer, serving on the Board of the Sonoma Valley Rotary Club as Treasurer, and cooking for Meals on Wheels of Sonoma Valley. She is a Napa Valley native and currently lives in Napa with her husband and four children.

Cathleen's office is located at 210 Stratford Avenue, Dixon, CA 95620. She can be reached at (707) 678-7862, or cgorham@thatsmybank.com.

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 lending. The Bank is an SBA Preferred Lender. Non-FDIC insured Investment and Brokerage Services are available at every branch location, including: Auburn, Davis, Dixon, Fairfield, Roseville, Sacramento, Vacaville, West Sacramento, Winters, and Woodland. The Bank has a full-service Trust Department in Sacramento and 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 for the earnings period of December 31, 2016 (www.veribanc.com). The Bank can be found on the Web at www.thatsmybank.com, on [Facebook](#) and on [LinkedIn](#).

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