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### **Summit State Bank Accepting Customers' State IOU's**

**Santa Rosa, CA** – (July 7, 2009) – Summit State Bank (NASDAQ: SSBI) announced that it will accept for deposit, Registered Warrants (IOUs) of the State of California that are deposited by the bank's customers.

“It is our goal to lighten the financial burden on our customers that the State's actions may be causing. We pride ourselves on service, and customers should be able to depend on their bank to assist them,” says Tom Duryea, President and CEO of Summit State Bank.

Summit State Bank is the only Sonoma County-based bank to receive Bauer Financial's highest rating of 5-Star Superior, placing the bank in the top tier of all banks nationwide.

Summit State Bank has branches in Santa Rosa, Healdsburg, Rohnert Park, and Petaluma.

Summit State Bank has total assets of \$362 million and total equity of \$56 million at March 31, 2009. Headquartered in Sonoma County, the Bank provides diverse financial products and services throughout Sonoma, Napa, San Francisco, and Marin Counties. Summit State Bank stock is traded on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol SSBI. Further information can be found at [www.SummitStateBank.com](http://www.SummitStateBank.com).

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