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Summit State Bank Hires New Customer Service Representative for Petaluma Branch

Santa Rosa, CA – (August 27, 2008) – Summit State Bank (NASDAQ: SSBI) appoints Kim Vincent as new Customer Service Representative for its Petaluma Branch located at 701 Sonoma Mountain Parkway by the G&G Market.

Ms. Vincent has over 30 years of experience in the banking industry, four of which have been in Petaluma. Ms. Vincent came to Summit State Bank from Circle Bank in Petaluma, where she was a Client Services Representative. Previously she worked for the Petaluma branches of both Sonoma Bank and Wells Fargo.

In addition to working in Petaluma Ms. Vincent has been a resident for nine years. She is active in the local community, participating in the Petaluma Chamber of Commerce and volunteering for the Petaluma Jazz Festival.

About Summit State Bank: Summit State Bank has total assets of \$334 million and total equity of \$48 million as of March 31, 2008. Headquartered in Sonoma County, the Bank provides diverse financial products and services throughout Sonoma, Napa, San Francisco, and Marin Counties. For more information about Summit State Bank visit www.summitstatebank.com or call 1-800-428-5008.

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