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Mary Celestre and Judy Reynolds Promoted to Vice President at Summit State Bank

Santa Rosa, CA – (May 7, 2012) – Mary Celestre and Judy Reynolds have each been promoted to Vice President by the Summit State Bank (NASDAQ: SSBI) Board of Directors. Ms. Celestre is the Branch Manager in Petaluma and Ms. Reynolds is the Branch Manager at the Bicentennial location in Santa Rosa.

“Mary Celestre and Judy Reynolds are dedicated leaders at Summit State Bank and in our community, and they have played a significant role in our growing success. Their commitment to developing lasting relationships with our customers and elevating their teams is significant and worthy of this recognition,” said Thomas Duryea, President and CEO of Summit State Bank.

Ms. Celestre has been with Summit for four years and in the banking industry for 30 years. She is a graduate of Leadership Petaluma and currently serves as a Board Director for Petaluma People Services Center and PEP Housing.

Ms. Reynolds has been with Summit for six years and in the banking industry for 35 years. She is an Ambassador for the Hispanic Chamber and on the Board of Directors of the California Parenting Institute.

Summit State Bank has total assets of \$407 million and total equity of \$60 million at March 31, 2012. Headquartered in Sonoma County, the Bank provides diverse financial products and services throughout Sonoma, Napa, San Francisco, and Marin Counties. Summit State Bank is a Top Performing Bank, earning the highest Findley Reports designation of all Sonoma County-based banks. Summit State Bank received the 2012 Community Bank Award from the American Bankers Association. In addition, Summit has been recognized with the Gold Medal award for Best Business Bank from the Northbay Biz Magazine and as one of the North Bay’s Best Places to Work by the North Bay Business Journal. Summit State Bank’s stock is traded on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol SSBI. Further information can be found at www.summitstatebank.com

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