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Elaina Hunt and Emily Harrington Promoted to Vice President at Summit State Bank

Santa Rosa, CA – (October 10, 2013) – Elaina Hunt and Emily Harrington have each been promoted to Vice President by the Summit State Bank (NASDAQ: SSBI) Board of Directors. Ms. Hunt was promoted to VP of Marketing and Community Relations and Mrs. Harrington is the new VP and Branch Manager at the Bicentennial location in Santa Rosa.

“Elaina Hunt and Emily Harrington are committed leaders at Summit State Bank and in our Sonoma County community. They both exemplify *The Summit Way* Service Standards by their proven ability to establish and build quality and significant relationships with our customers and our community,” said Thomas Duryea, President and CEO of Summit State Bank.

Ms. Hunt has been with Summit for five years. She is a graduate of Leadership Santa Rosa and currently serves as a Board Member of the Professional Services Marketing Group. She holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Marketing from Sonoma State University. She is actively engaged in our Sonoma County community and volunteers her time and marketing expertise to countless nonprofits across the county.

Mrs. Harrington has worked in the financial industry for seven years. She is currently on the Board Committee of Girls on the Run Sonoma County, an Ambassador for the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce and attends weekly meetings with the Santa Rosa BNI business networking group. She holds a Bachelor’s Degree in History from the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Summit State Bank has total assets of \$432 million and total equity of \$61 million at June 30, 2013. Headquartered in Sonoma County, the Bank provides diverse financial products and services throughout Sonoma, Napa, San Francisco, and Marin Counties. Summit State Bank received the 2012 Community Bank Award from the American Bankers Association for its nonprofit work. In addition, Summit has been recognized as one of the Top 75 Corporate Philanthropists in the Bay Area by the San Francisco Business Times, 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 has also been consistently recognized as a high performing bank by Findley Reports. 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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