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Summit State Bank Contributes \$277,694 to Sonoma County Nonprofits

Santa Rosa, CA – (March 14, 2018) – This month Summit State Bank (NASDAQ: SSBI) delivered 165 checks totaling more than \$277,694, or 8.4% of its net profit after taxes, to its nonprofit customers through its *Nonprofit Partner Program*.

Summit's *Nonprofit Partner Program* provides an annual cash contribution to its nonprofit customers based on average annual account balances. This contribution is above and beyond normal community giving, sponsorships and volunteering that Summit provides during the year.

"We are very proud of the relationships we have built with our Nonprofit Partners and are pleased to announce that we have increased the contribution from 0.75% to 0.95% on non-interest bearing operating accounts. We believe it is important to give back to the local community we serve and reinvest our dollars for the betterment of our community. Building a better Sonoma County, that's our business," said Jim Brush, President and CEO.

Some of the recipients include: United Way of Wine Country, Legal Aid of Sonoma County, Farm to Pantry and Latino Service Providers, to mention a few.

About Summit State Bank

Summit State Bank, a local community bank, has total assets of \$611 million and total equity of \$60 million at December 31, 2017. Headquartered in Sonoma County, the Bank specializes in providing exceptional customer service and customized financial solutions to aid in the success of local small businesses and nonprofits throughout Sonoma County.

Summit State Bank is committed to embracing the diverse backgrounds, cultures and talents of its employees to create high performance and support the evolving needs of its customers and community it serves. At the center of diversity are inclusion, collaboration, and a shared vision for delivering superior service and results for shareholders. Presently, 70% of management are women and minorities with 40% represented on the Executive Management Team.

Through the engagement of its team, Summit State Bank has received many esteemed awards including: Best Business Bank, Corporate Philanthropy Award and Best Places to Work in the North Bay. 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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