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Summit State Bank welcomes Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Camille Kazarian

Santa Rosa, CA – (December 11, 2018) – Summit State Bank (NASDAQ: SSBI) has appointed Camille Kazarian as their Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Camille most recently served as the Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Town Manager for a local government agency, the Town of Windsor. She has held financial management positions at several prominent organizations in Sonoma and Marin Counties including Redwood Credit Union, Autodesk and Fireman’s Fund Insurance Company.

“We are pleased to welcome Camille Kazarian as our Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. She was selected from a highly qualified group of candidates. In addition to her qualifications, she is a long-time Sonoma County resident and a well-respected member of the community. Despite the recent press regarding her departure from the Town of Windsor and that of the top Executive, her search for a new career had been in the works for quite some time. We are confident in her abilities and like all other bank executives, her credentials have been vetted to ensure she is the best fit for her position.” said Jim Brush, President and CEO of Summit State Bank.

Camille holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration/Finance from Sonoma State University and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Phoenix. Camille lives in Cloverdale with her husband and son.

Dennis Kelley, former Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer will be retiring at the end of the first quarter in 2019. Until then, he will remain as Senior Vice President and Treasurer and assist with transitioning Camille into her new role.

About Summit State Bank

Summit State Bank, a local community bank, has total assets of \$595 million and total equity of \$60 million at September 30, 2018. 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 is inclusion, collaboration, and a shared vision for delivering superior service and results for shareholders. Presently, 80% of management are women and minorities with 60% 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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