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### **Summit State Bank Welcomes Chad Johnson as Assistant Vice President and Senior Underwriter**

**Santa Rosa, CA** – (July 16, 2018) – Summit State Bank (NASDAQ: SSBI) has appointed Chad Johnson as Assistant Vice President and Senior Underwriter. Chad brings with him more than 10 years of community banking experience.

“It is with pleasure that we welcome Chad to assist our experienced Commercial Lending Team with underwriting loans. We are fortunate to have Chad’s knowledge and expertise as we continue growing and expand our outreach to Sonoma County’s small businesses and nonprofits. He will play a significant role in processing the work for the anticipated loan growth. Our plan is to be Sonoma County’s community bank well into the future,” said Jim Brush, President and CEO of Summit State Bank.

Prior to joining Summit, Chad was a Credit Analyst and Commercial Loan Officer at Bank of Marin. Most recently he was a Business Banking Officer at Exchange Bank. Chad earned his Bachelor of Science from the University of Wyoming. He lives with his wife and small child. In his spare time, he likes to golf, spend time with his family and enjoys local wine and microbrews.

### **About Summit State Bank**

Summit State Bank, a local community bank, has total assets of \$577 million and total equity of \$60 million at March 31, 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, 75% 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](http://www.summitstatebank.com).

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