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Robert Stevens Joins Mission Community Bank As Chief Credit Officer

(*San Luis Obispo, CA*) – Anita M. Robinson, Chief Executive Officer of Mission Community Bank, announced that Robert Stevens has been named Executive Vice President and Chief Credit Officer for Mission Community Bancorp and Mission Community Bank. In this position, Mr. Stevens is responsible for oversight of the bank's credit portfolio, which includes the development and implementation of loan policies, managing the credit quality and the profitability of the bank's loan portfolio. His office is located in the Administration Building in San Luis Obispo at 3380 South Higuera Street.

Mr. Stevens has an extensive banking background serving in a variety of lending and management positions over his career. At his retirement from Rabobank International in 2009 he was Executive Vice President and Chief Credit Officer of Rabobank, N.A. Pursuing his lifelong interest in agribusiness, Stevens then joined a boutique investment banking firm, The Food Partners in Washington D.C., where he was a principal until joining Mission Community Bank. He is a graduate of Santa Clara University, where he earned an MBA in Agribusiness; he received his Bachelor's degree from the University of San Francisco.

"The addition of Bob to the Mission leadership team is very exciting," Anita Robinson said. "His vast credit experience in commercial and agribusiness lending will serve our bank very well as we continue to grow on the Central Coast. Throughout his career, Bob has actively managed loan portfolio growth while maintaining excellent credit quality."

About Mission Community Bank

Mission Community Bank is a locally operated community bank which first opened its doors in 1997. There are full-service Mission Community Bank offices in downtown San Luis Obispo, Santa Maria, Paso Robles and Arroyo Grande, with a second full-service office in San Luis Obispo opening on April 25 at 3380 South Higuera Street. The bank's administrative headquarters and a SBA Loan Production Office are in San Luis Obispo. The bank has received numerous awards for meeting community needs in small business lending and development banking services, and has earned an Outstanding rating for its Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) activities. For more information, visit www.MissionCommunityBank.com.

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