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Bridge Bank Capital Holdings Recognized For Exceptional Financial Performance

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Bridge Bank's Holding Company Admitted to the Sandler O'Neill Sm-All Stars Class of 2014

San Jose, CA – October 01, 2014 – Bridge Capital Holdings (NASDAQ:BBNK), whose subsidiary is Bridge Bank, a full-service professional business bank headquartered in Silicon Valley and with offices located nationwide, announced today that it has been admitted to Sandler O'Neill's Sm-All Stars Class of 2014- a group of 35 exceptionally performing publicly traded small-cap banks and thrifts in the United States.

“Being accepted into Sandler O'Neill's group of Sm-All Stars for the second time is a significant accomplishment for the company,” said Daniel P. Myers, president and chief executive officer of Bridge Capital Holdings and Bridge Bank. “We are very proud of this achievement and how it reflects the value we consistently bring to our clients, the business community, and our shareholders,” he added.

Sandler O'Neill and Partners evaluated 443 publicly traded banks and thrifts with a market cap below \$2.5 billion. The evaluation focused on growth, profitability, credit quality, and capital strength with 92% or 408 of the institutions being eliminated by the screening process. The remaining 35 institutions' performances stand apart from the rest with an average earnings per share (EPS) growth of 14.1% compared with 2.7% EPS growth for all banks and thrifts.

“This achievement provides further validation to the Bridge Bank community that our relationship-oriented approach to business banking adds enormous value to our small- and mid-market clients,” said Thomas A. Sa, chief financial officer and chief strategy officer of Bridge Capital Holdings. “As we enter new markets and expand our product offerings to clients, we will remain committed to providing the personalized and flexible service for which we are known,” he added.

About Bridge Bank, National Association

Recognized by The Findley Reports as a Super Premium Performing Bank, and designated “Superior” by BauerFinancial and IDC, Bridge Bank is a full-service professional business bank founded in the highly competitive climate of Silicon Valley in 2001. From the very beginning, our goal has been to offer small-market and middle-market businesses from across many industries a better way to bank. Our technology banking division provides a broad range of financial solutions to venture-backed and non-venture-backed companies, enabling us to meet our clients’ varied needs across all stages of business life. It’s how we go about doing so that differentiates us from our competition. Bridge Bank’s product offering includes growth capital, equipment and working capital credit facilities and treasury management solutions, along with a full line of international products and services and financing secured by domestic, government and foreign receivables.

About Bridge Capital Holdings

Bridge Capital Holdings is the holding company for Bridge Bank, National Association. Bridge Capital Holdings was formed on October 1, 2004 and holds a Global Select listing on the NASDAQ stock market under the trading symbol BBNK. Bridge Bank Holding Company was recently admitted to Sandler O’Neill’s Class of 2014 “Sm-All Stars” – a select group of 35 top-performing publicly traded banks and thrifts from throughout the U.S. with market capitalization of up to \$2.5 billion. For additional information, visit the Bridge Capital Holdings website at www.bridgecapitalholdings.com.

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