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**First Northern Bank Welcomes Juanita Garcia-Holmes as
Vice President/Business Services Officer for the Auburn Area**

First Northern Bank (FNRN:OB), a leading independent community bank headquartered in Solano County since 1910, is pleased to welcome Juanita Garcia-Holmes as Vice President/Business Services Officer for the Auburn/Grass Valley area. The Bank recently announced plans to open a new Financial Center in Auburn.

Juanita brings 18 years of commercial lending and branch management experience to First Northern Bank. She rose quickly in her banking career from customer service representative, utility supervisor and personal banker to banking center manager. For the past four years, she developed top-producing branches for Placer Sierra Bank in Granite Bay and North Auburn. In 2004, Juanita was recognized by her colleagues for outstanding performance. Placer Sierra was, however, recently acquired by a large banking chain.

“All of my experience has been in community banking; it’s where my heart is,” Juanita said. “I believe that business banking customers – especially today, in these tough economic times – appreciate receiving top-notch client service and the contributions that a bank like First Northern makes to the community. At First Northern, community involvement is more than just lip service. They understand that an economically healthy community benefits us all.”

Juanita, who is a member of the Gold Country Rotary Club, attended California State University – Sacramento. She is bi-lingual (Spanish). She lives in Auburn with her husband Bob and 13-year-old daughter, Natalie. She enjoys golf, spending time with family and traveling. Juanita’s community service activities include coordinating the annual Rotary Club’s golf tournament to raise money for local charities; serving as a translator for families meeting Santa and receiving toys during Auburn’s recent Toy Run; and reading to Spanish-speaking children at Rock Creek School.

Juanita is currently working in First Northern Bank’s Roseville Branch, at 2150 Douglas Boulevard, Suite 100, while permanent office space in Auburn is secured. She may be reached at (916) 787-8510.

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First Northern Bank, an independent community bank headquartered in Solano County since 1910, serves Solano, Yolo, Sacramento, Placer and the west slope of El Dorado counties. First Northern currently has 11 branches located in Dixon, Davis, West Sacramento, Fairfield, Vacaville (2 Branches), Winters, Woodland, Downtown Sacramento, Roseville and Folsom. The Bank has real estate lending offices in Davis, Woodland, Vacaville, Roseville and Folsom, and has an SBA Loan Office and full service Trust Department in Sacramento. First Northern Bank's stock is listed on the OTC Bulletin Board under the ticker symbol "FNRN." The Bank can be found on the Web at www.thatsmybank.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may include certain "forward-looking statements" about First Northern Community Bancorp (the "Company"). These forward-looking statements are based on management's current expectations and are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and changes in circumstances. Actual results may differ materially from these expectations due to changes in global political, economic, business, competitive, market and regulatory factors. More detailed information about these risk factors is contained in the Company's most recent reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Forms 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K, each as it may be amended from time to time, which identify important risk factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements. The financial information contained in this release should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's most recent reports on Form 10-K and Form 10-Q. The Company undertakes no obligation to update these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances arising after the date on which they are made. For further information regarding the Company, please read the Company's reports filed with the SEC and available at www.sec.gov.

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Vice President/Business Services Officer
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