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***First Northern Community Bancorp Reports Second Quarter 2016 Earnings***  
***Net Income of \$2 Million for Quarter***  
***Total Net Loans Up 11.3% from Prior Year***

**Dixon, California**—First Northern Community Bancorp (the “Company,” ticker symbol FNRN: OTCQB), holding company for First Northern Bank (“First Northern” or the “Bank”), today announced earnings through the second quarter of 2016. Louise Walker, President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, “The Company reported year-to-date net income of \$3.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2016, up 15.2% compared to net income of \$3.3 million reported for the same period last year. Diluted earnings per share for the six months ended June 30, 2016 was \$0.35, up 16.7% compared to diluted earnings per share of \$0.30 for the same period last year.”

Net income for the quarter ended June 30, 2016 was \$2.0 million, up 11.1% compared to net income of \$1.8 million reported for the same period last year. Diluted earnings per share for the three months ended June 30, 2016 was \$0.19, up 18.8% compared to diluted earnings per share of \$0.16 for the same period last year.

Total assets at June 30, 2016 were \$1.07 billion, an increase of \$68.0 million, or 6.8%, compared to June 30, 2015. Total deposits of \$969.9 million increased \$71.5 million, or 8.0%, compared to June 30, 2015. During the same period, total net loans (including loans held-for-sale) increased \$64.6 million, or 11.3%, to \$635.6 million. The Company continues to be “well capitalized” under regulatory definitions, exceeding the 10% threshold at June 30, 2016.

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Further commenting on the Company's financial results, Walker stated, "Our earnings for the second quarter and first six months of 2016 resulted from several positive trends. Despite intense competition, our bankers continue to expand existing and source new client relationships. We continue to experience double-digit loan growth, which leads to solid increases in interest income, and healthy increases in low cost deposits are a result of our new customer relationships. Our asset quality remains strong with Non-performing Assets to Total Assets declining to 0.1% at quarter end. Additionally, management has maintained a strong focus on expense control resulting in continued improvement in our operating leverage."

### **About First Northern Bank**

First Northern Bank is an independent community bank that specializes in relationship banking. The Bank, headquartered in Solano County since 1910, serves Solano, Yolo, Sacramento, Placer, Contra Costa County and the west slope of El Dorado County. Experts are available in small-business, commercial, real estate and agribusiness lending, as well as mortgage loans. The Bank is an SBA Preferred Lender. Non-FDIC insured Investment and Brokerage Services are available at every branch location, including Dixon, Davis, West Sacramento, Fairfield, Vacaville, Winters, Woodland, Sacramento, Roseville and Auburn. The Bank has a full-service Trust Department in Sacramento and a commercial lending office in Walnut Creek. Real estate mortgage and small-business loan officers are available by appointment in any of the Bank's branches. First Northern is rated as a Veribanc "Blue Ribbon" Bank for the earnings period of Dec. 31, 2015 ([www.veribanc.com](http://www.veribanc.com)). The Bank can be found on the Web at [www.thatsmybank.com](http://www.thatsmybank.com), on [Facebook](#) and on [LinkedIn](#).

### *Forward-Looking Statements*

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