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**Della leads Mission Bank expansion into Visalia**

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. – Dustin Della has been named Mission Bank’s Regional President to lead the Bakersfield-based bank’s establishment of a new business banking center in Visalia. He is joined by Dianis Pimentel, Lori Carabay and Angie Dempsie creating a powerful business banking team supporting Visalia and the surrounding communities.

Della and team will be responsible for growing Mission Bank throughout the area, adding new business banking relationships to businesses, professionals, and organizational leaders of non-profits and for profits.

“Visalia is a vibrant and growing area,” said Della. “We will offer commercial, SBA and agriculture loans with our unique client-centered focus. Mission Bank will bring a new customer-driven style of banking, along with a wide range of high-quality services and a superior level of business banking experience currently missing in the Visalia market.”

Mission Bank’s performance has recently reached a new milestone of \$1.5 billion in total assets as of yearend 2021. “We continue to credit our success to our focus on relationship banking and delivering the best banking service to local businesses” said A.J. Antongiovanni, Mission’s President and Chief Executive Officer.

“Our expansion to Visalia provides evidence of Mission’s continued success and growth despite the challenging economic environment” said Bryan Easterly, Mission Bank’s Chief Banking Officer. Mr. Easterly continued, “Mission has been able to fulfill its core purpose, to fuel and grow vibrant and prosperous communities through the COVID-19 pandemic, and the economic uncertainty around it.”

Della, Pimentel, Carabay and Dempsie have lived in Tulare County for over 20 years. “It’s important to have local bankers representing Mission Bank throughout the County” said Antongiovanni. Mr. Antongiovanni continued, “Understanding the financial and economic needs of the area is achieved best by those who live and contribute to the local community.”

Dustin Della grew up on his family’s dairy farm in Tulare County and has lived and worked in the area his entire life. He brings the values he learned on the farm to the banking industry, helping businesses grow successfully as their banker for over 15 years.

Della is looking to open a temporary facility with more permanent offices to follow as he leads Mission Bank’s expansion into Visalia and the surrounding community.

About Mission Bancorp

Mission Bancorp is the parent holding company of Mission Bank and Mission Bank 1031 Exchange, LLC. Mission is headquartered in Bakersfield, California and has nine Business Banking Centers, serving the greater areas of Bakersfield, Lancaster, Stockton, Ventura and San Luis Obispo. The Bank is currently \$1.5 billion in total assets serving local business owners, professionals, and organizational leaders throughout California.

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