



## Chris Walsh Named President at Partners Bank of California

MISSION VIEJO, CA. -- June 4, 2018 -- **Partners Bank of California** ("Partners Bank") (OTC: PBKX) has announced the appointment of Chris Walsh as President.

Chris comes to the Partners Bank team with over 30 years of banking leadership and business development experience. Prior to coming on board at Partners, Chris was with Blue Gate Bank in Costa Mesa, CA.

"We are truly fortunate to attract a talented individual like Chris, who has a proven track record of business development in all facets of banking," says Rick Mandelbaum, CEO at Partners. "He will be instrumental in attaining our goals of scaling and driving continued aggressive and responsible growth of the bank."

A Southern Californian for most of his life, Chris graduated from the University of California, Santa Barbara in 1980. His background in leading significant and sustained institutional growth has included experience with Sunwest Bank, Vineyard Bank, Commercial Capital Bank, California Bank and Trust, U.S. Trust Company of America and Bank of California.

Past community organization board appointments held by Chris Walsh have included Mission Hospital Foundation, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund and Orangewood Children's Foundation.

Rick Mandelbaum further commented, "This is a pivotal time of continued growth and development for Partners Bank. Continuing to provide outstanding service to our customers, sustained growth of the bank and increased shareholder value are our priorities. We are confident that Chris will help lead the way for us in all of these areas."

The Partners Bank of California Executive Management team includes Rick Mandelbaum - CEO, Kent Falk - EVP/Chief Credit Officer, Kirk Colburn – EVP/Chief Operating Officer and Elaine Hetrick – EVP/Chief Administrative Officer.

Founded in 2007, Partners Bank of California provides a wide array of personal and commercial banking services as well as a variety of business lending solutions including lines of credit, commercial real estate, new construction financing, equipment/industrial and SBA/State Government guaranteed loans. Headquartered in Mission Viejo, California, Partners Bank is proud to serve clientele throughout Southern California.

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