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CENTRAL VALLEY COMMUNITY BANK EXPANDS SAN JOAQUIN, STANISLAUS AND MERCED COUNTY COMMERCIAL TEAM

FRESNO, CALIFORNIA...February 1, 2021... James M. Ford, President and CEO of Central Valley Community Bank (Bank), announced the expansion of its Mid-Valley commercial team covering San Joaquin, Stanislaus and Merced Counties. The team of five is led by Monica Givargis, Senior Vice President, Market Manager, and includes: Djo Mwamba, Vice President, Relationship Manager; Brian Campbell, Vice President, Relationship Manager; Becky Stokes, Assistant Vice President, Portfolio Manager and Michele Hood, Assistant Vice President, Portfolio Manager. The majority of the team worked together at a large national bank that had recently downsized in the San Joaquin Valley, and the Bank moved quickly to bring these proven local specialists on board.

“Our existing Mid-Valley region business relationships are growing. As such, we are proud to invest in a well-established and dedicated team of commercial banking specialists to assist those relationships and further enhance our ability to expand new business relationships in this important area for our Bank,” said Ford. “For over forty years, we have been there for our clients in both the good and the challenging times, and I’m confident that Monica Givargis and her professional team of commercial bankers will guide businesses in this region as true partners in their future successes.”

Monica Givargis joined the Bank with over 32 years of industry and management experience. Recognized for her leadership and business development practices, Monica is accountable for leading and developing the San Joaquin, Stanislaus and Merced County commercial lending team. She is responsible for overseeing the Mid-Valley region’s new business development covering a wide-range of industries including agribusiness, deepening commercial relationships and the growth and oversight of her region’s credit portfolio. Previously, she was a commercial banking leader with the aforementioned national bank. Her experience, business acumen and client advocacy will help guide her team as they expand this important region for the Bank. Monica, a well-known community steward, holds a BA in Business Administration and Management from California State University, Stanislaus. She can be reached directly at (209) 644-7824.

Djo Mwamba joined the Bank with over 31 years of commercial banking expertise, specifically in the areas of strategically acquiring, retaining and growing new client relationships. He is responsible for cultivating new business relationships and commercial lending opportunities for the Mid-Valley team throughout San Joaquin, Stanislaus and Merced Counties. Throughout his career, Djo has excelled at client service for regional business industries including agribusiness, new business development and the technical side of banking. He holds an MBA in Business Administration from Indiana University, a second MA in Divinity from Andrews University and a BBA in Accounting from Andrews University in Michigan. Djo is actively involved with the Modesto Central SDA as Chair of the Finance Committee, is on the Finance Committee for the Central Valley Christian Academy and is a member of the Risk Management Association, the Institute of Management Accountants and Kiwanis International among other business organizations. Djo can be reached directly at (209) 956-1105.

Brian Campbell brings over 21 years of expertise to Central Valley Community Bank as an accomplished financial services professional with a successful business development and portfolio management track record. Brian is responsible for generating commercial lending opportunities for businesses of all sizes, from construction, manufacturing and agribusiness to technology and professional services. He is also cultivating new business relationships with tailored solutions to help clients achieve their goals throughout San Joaquin, Stanislaus and Merced Counties. Prior to coming to the Bank, Brian spent the majority of his career with several large national banks in commercial lending management, recruiting, supervising and mentoring new business relationship teams. He holds a BS in Business Administration (Accounting and Finance) from the University of the Pacific in Stockton and a certificate from the College of Commercial Credit at Wells Fargo. Brian can be reached directly at (209) 814-5403.

Becky Stokes joined the Bank in 2008 as part of the Service 1st Bank merger. She was promoted to Portfolio Manager in November 2020 and in her current role is responsible for supporting the Mid-Valley commercial team with management and maintenance of the three-county loan portfolio while assisting with new business relationship opportunities. Becky is known as a “go to” member of the team as she knows the Bank, the clients and is well-known in the region. She can be reached directly at (209) 820-7913.

Michele Hood joined Central Valley Community Bank with over four decades of financial industry experience, specifically in the areas of client retention, acquisition and relationship management. In her new role, Michele is responsible for supporting Mid-Valley relationship managers with the administration and maintenance of their loan portfolio, as well as assisting with business

development opportunities. She comes to the Bank with experience in growing new relationships for both loan and deposit generation. Michele is actively involved in the community, providing service to the United Way, American Cancer Society and the Center for Human Services. She holds a BS in Business Information Systems from the University of Phoenix in Lathrop, California. Michele can be reached at (209) 333-5011.

About Central Valley Community Bank

Central Valley Community Bancorp trades on the NASDAQ stock exchange under the symbol CVCY. Central Valley Community Bank, headquartered in Fresno, California, was founded in 1979 and is the sole subsidiary of Central Valley Community Bancorp. Central Valley Community Bank operates full-service offices throughout California's San Joaquin Valley and Greater Sacramento regions. Additionally, the Bank operates Commercial Real Estate Lending, SBA Lending and Agribusiness Lending Departments.

Members of Central Valley Community Bancorp's and the Bank's Board of Directors are: Daniel J. Doyle (Chairman), Daniel N. Cunningham (Vice Chairman), F. T. "Tommy" Elliott, IV, James M. Ford, Robert J. Flautt, Gary D. Gall, Andriana Majarian, Steven D. McDonald, Louis C. McMurray, Karen Musson, Dorothea D. Silva and William S. Smittcamp. Sidney B. Cox is Director Emeritus.

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