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OAK VALLEY COMMUNITY BANK OPENS DOWNTOWN SONORA BRANCH

OAKDALE, CA- Oak Valley Community Bank, a wholly owned subsidiary of Oak Valley Bancorp (NASDAQ: OVLY), recently announced the official opening of their second Sonora Branch located at 85 Mono Way in downtown Sonora near the intersection of Mono and Restano Way. It is the Bank's sixteenth location.

The new branch offers a full line of personal and commercial banking services, a traditional walk-up ATM, a drive-up ATM and drive-up window service, night deposit service, and safe box availability. The branch is conveniently located in the core downtown business district with ample parking. Hours are Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and Friday from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Drive-up service is available beginning at 8:30 AM.

Our Downtown Sonora staff will be comprised of Vice President, Branch Manager, Lyn Wilson who will oversee the downtown branch and continue to manage the East Sonora branch. She and Vice President, Business Development Officer, Barbara Ducey will work closely together to manage the downtown branch's business development and growth initiatives. Additional staff at the downtown branch includes Mary Gorgas, Assistant Customer Service Manager and Customer Service Representatives, Tiffany Brock and Linsley Creach. The Bank anticipates some additions to staff as a result of the pending acquisition of Mother Lode Bank.

We have an excellent team of experienced business bankers with strong ties in the community. We are excited at the opportunity to have opened a second location in the heart of Sonora. This ideal location and branch opening is part of Oak Valley's continued approach to provide exceptional service and convenience to new and existing customers," stated President and CEO, Chris Courtney.

Established in 1991, Oak Valley Community Bank offers a variety of loan and deposit products dedicated to serving the needs of individuals and small businesses. The Bank currently operates through 16 convenient locations: Oakdale, Turlock, Stockton, Patterson, Ripon, Escalon, Manteca, Tracy, two branches in Sonora, three branches in

Modesto, and three branches in their Eastern Sierra Division, which includes Bridgeport, Mammoth Lakes, and Bishop.

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