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**Bank of the Sierra Commits to Limited Acceptance of
California State-Issued Registered Warrants**

PORTERVILLE, CA — Bank of the Sierra today released the following statement regarding the acceptance of California State issued registered warrants:

“In an effort to accommodate Bank of the Sierra customers who are impacted by the state budget issues, we will preliminarily accept California State issued registered warrants from existing customers, pending further warrant related details from the state,” stated Jim Holly, Bank of the Sierra President and CEO.

About Bank of the Sierra

With over \$1.3 billion in assets and strong performance ratios, Bank of the Sierra is the largest independently owned community bank headquartered in Southern San Joaquin Valley’s Heartland. The bank serves 15 different communities with 23 branches, two Ag Centers, one SBA Center and a “virtual” online branch. For more information visit the web site at www.bankofthesierra.com or call (888) 454-BANK.

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