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Pinnacle Bank's President and CEO, Susan K. Black, Appointed to National Council for Community Bank Leaders

Gilroy, CA – February 10, 2016—Pinnacle Bank (OTCQX: PBNK), is pleased to announce that the American Bankers Association has selected Susan K. Black, to serve on the ABA's Community Bankers Council.

"Community banks play such an important role in our banking industry and our nation's economy. This appointment gives me the opportunity to represent California and more specifically the communities we serve and advocate for the continued success of American hometown banks," stated Susan K. Black.

Ms. Black has been a director of Pinnacle Bank since inception in 2006 and was appointed president and chief executive officer in 2008. Ms. Black has over 25 years of extensive experience in the banking industry. She was formerly president of the Community Banking Group of Greater Bay Bancorp, in Palo Alto CA, former president and chief executive officer of Mid-Peninsula Bank and an officer of the Greater Bay Bancorp Foundation. Ms. Black is currently the treasurer and chair of the finance committee for Hartnell College Education Foundation, a member of the Monterey County Business Council and a director of the Leadership Silicon Valley Foundation.

Pinnacle Bank is a community business bank with locations in Morgan Hill, Gilroy and Salinas, California. The bank currently has assets of \$257mm and is rated Five-Star "Superior" for strong financial performance, the top rating given by the independent bank rating firm, Bauer Financial.

The ABA Community Bankers Council, which meets twice a year, is made up of approximately 100 bankers from institutions throughout the country with generally less than \$3 billion in assets. Members are appointed by the ABA chairman.

About Pinnacle Bank

Pinnacle Bank is a full-service community business bank dedicated to providing quality depository and credit services in Santa Clara, San Benito, and Monterey counties. The bank focuses on commercial banking services for small to medium-sized businesses, offering a variety of products and services that combine the best of personal touch with convenient technology-based client service. Pinnacle Bank has locations in Morgan Hill, Gilroy and Salinas. For more information, visit www.pinnaclebankonline.com.

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