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FOCUS BUSINESS BANK EARNS SBA PREFERRED LENDER STATUS

San Jose, CA. Focus Business Bank (OTCBB: FCSB) has been approved by the Small Business Administration to receive the Preferred Lenders Program (PLP) status.

Richard L. Conniff, President and Chief Executive Officer, commented, "We are honored to be designated as a member of the SBA's Preferred Lenders Program. SBA lending is a natural extension of the Bank's commitment to meeting the needs of closely held businesses. We feel fortunate to achieve PLP status after starting the SBA Group in March of this year. This is an acknowledgement of the efforts of Brad Lebsack and Larry Buyers."

"We've worked hard to build a business that responds quickly to the needs of our clients while meeting the standards of the SBA," said Senior Vice President Brad Lebsack, SBA Loan Manager. "This means that Focus Business Bank has the authority to approve certain loan requests on behalf of the SBA, which results in a quicker turn around time for loan approvals and funding."

For information about SBA lending, contact Brad Lebsack, Senior Vice President SBA Loan Manager, or Larry Buyers, Vice President, at 408.288.5900.

Focus Business Bank is dedicated to meeting the banking needs of closely held businesses and entrepreneurs in Santa Clara County. The Bank has one office located in downtown San Jose, California and offers a variety of commercial banking products including loans, deposits and cash management services oriented toward closely held businesses and their owners. The Bank specializes in commercial loans, SBA 7a and 504 loans and interim construction loans.

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