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Findley Reports Plumas Bank as One of Top Five Banks in California

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QUINCY, CA -- (MARKET WIRE) -- 04/03/06 -- Plumas Bank (NASDAQ: PLBC) is pleased to announce that it has been chosen by The Findley Reports as One of the Top Five Banks for 2006. Since 1967, The Findley Reports provides the banking industry with performance benchmarking through its annual designations of "Super Premier Performing," "Premier Performing," and "Commendable Performing" classifications. These designations have become highly regarded and recipients are recognized throughout the Western United States as financial institutions achieving exceptional performance.

Plumas Bank was chosen as the top bank in California in the $250 Million - $600 Million Asset Size category. Plumas Bank's workup, edited by Gary Steven Findley, president of The Findley Reports and three other Findley companies, is provided below:

Plumas Bank ("Plumas") opened for business on December 13, 1980 in Quincy, California with initial capital of approximately $1.2 million. It has now been able to grow its asset size to over $472 million and has been a consistent "Super Premier" or "Premier" performer for several years.

In 1988, Plumas merged Sierra Security Bank, Susanville, California and has done other branch acquisitions in its marketplace. What is interesting about Plumas is that it operates in a relatively isolated environment where most bankers would not want to operate. Plumas is that type of meat and potato bank that is true to the basics of banking and for over 25 years has focused on building the best banking franchise possible. When we look at Plumas we look at an entity that is built to last. We don't see Plumas as an acquisition target for other financial institutions, but as an entity that is designed to be a long term player in the northeastern portion of California.

For several years, Plumas has been under the leadership of William Elliott, who recently retired as President and Chief Executive Officer handing the reigns over to Doug Biddle. Many of the board members have been long term directors, several with tenures over 19 years. The big challenge for Plumas will be the continued recycling of the Board of Directors as it builds an organization for the long term. Plumas has seen a recent increase in the market value of its shares due to strong financial performance. While Plumas is not a flashy entity, it's a bank that delivers on its word and keeps its promises to all of its partners.

Findley stated, "Plumas Bank has exemplified community banking and has provided exceptional return to its shareholders. The Bank provides an interesting case study for banking franchises throughout the United States."

"Plumas Bank may not be the flashiest, but when you look at their financial performance, primarily over the last couple of years, it speaks volumes as to the strengths of the organization as well as the integrity of its board and management," commented Findley. He concluded, "Plumas Bank has demonstrated the right stuff and through its financial performance it has demonstrated, while banking can be hard, it can be extremely rewarding for its partners."

On April 1, 2006, The Findley Reports released the California Banks Reference Guide for year end 2005 information. This is a helpful tool for boards and managements in fully understanding the financial performance of every bank that operates in the state of California.

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