

## **First General Bank and American Premier Bank Merger Completed.**

ROWLAND HEIGHTS, CALIFORNIA, January 31, 2011 – First General Bank announced that the merger of American Premier Bank, Arcadia, California, with and into First General Bank has successfully been completed.

“The merger brings together two great institutions,” said First General CEO Cliff Hsu. “We are confident that the merger will create even more rewarding banking relationship for customers through a wider choice of banking services and an expanded branch network,” Hsu added.

The combined bank, retaining the name of First General Bank, will have total assets exceeding \$320 million, and five locations throughout the great San Gabriel Valley and Orange County areas.

### About First General Bank

First General Bank, founded in 2005, had total assets of approximately \$ 215 million as of December 31, 2010. First General Bank is headquartered in Rowland Heights, California, with branches in Arcadia, Rowland Heights, San Gabriel, and Irvine, California. First General Bank focuses on personalized service, combined with a full range of traditional and online core consumer and commercial banking products and cash management services for small to medium sized businesses and individuals residing or doing business in southern California.

### Forward Looking Statements

This document contains forward-looking statements that involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions. If any of these risks or uncertainties materializes or any of these assumptions proves incorrect, the results of First General Bank and American Premier Bancorp and its consolidated subsidiaries could differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements.

All statements other than statements of historical fact are statements that could be deemed forward-looking statements, including any projections of synergies, accretion or other financial items; any statements of the plans, strategies, and objectives of management for future operations; any statements regarding future economic conditions or performance; any statements of belief and any statements of assumptions underlying any of the foregoing.

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