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Pacific Premier Bancorp Named 2015 “Sm-All Star” by Sandler O’Neill + Partners

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IRVINE, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Pacific Premier Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: PPBI), the holding company of Pacific Premier Bank, is pleased to announce that the Company has been named a member of the Sandler O’Neill Sm-All Stars: Class of 2015. The Sm-All Stars reflect the top performing small-cap banks and thrifts in the country.

According to Sandler O’Neill + Partners, an investment banking firm and broker-dealer focused on the financial services sector, banks selected for the 2015 Sm-All Stars list have exceptional performance metrics in growth, profitability, credit quality and capital strength. Sandler O’Neill evaluated all 435 publicly traded banks and thrifts with a market cap below \$2.5 billion to identify the 34 small-cap depository institutions that stand out in the industry and comprise the Class of 2015.

“We are very pleased to be named an Sm-All Star for the second year in a row by Sandler O’Neill,” said Steve Gardner, President and Chief Executive Officer of Pacific Premier Bancorp. “We are one of just five banks headquartered in California to be named an Sm-All Star in 2015, which we believe reflects the position we have built as one of the premier commercial banking franchises in Southern California.”

About Pacific Premier Bancorp, Inc.

Pacific Premier Bancorp, Inc. is the holding company for Pacific Premier Bank, one of the largest community banks headquartered in Southern California. Pacific Premier Bank is a business bank primarily focused on serving small and middle market business in the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and San Diego, California. Pacific Premier Bank offers a diverse range of lending products including commercial, commercial real estate, construction, residential warehouse and SBA loans, as well as specialty banking products for homeowners associations and franchise lending nationwide. Pacific Premier Bank serves its customers through its 16 full-service depository branches in Southern California located in the cities of Corona, Encinitas, Huntington Beach, Irvine, Los Alamitos, Newport Beach, Palm Desert, Palm Springs, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Seal Beach and Tustin.

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