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**SECURITY ONE BANK AND JOHN MARSHALL
ORGANIZING GROUP REACH AGREEMENT TO INVEST,
JOIN MANAGEMENT**

[Falls Church, VA] [February 29, 2008] – Security One Bank, a full-service community bank serving small businesses and consumers with a special focus on the Hispanic market, and the organizing group for John Marshall Bank, led by John Maxwell, today announced that they had reached an agreement under which Maxwell will become Chief Executive Officer.

Most recently, Mr. Maxwell was the President and CEO of the exceptionally successful James Monroe Bank. During his tenure at James Monroe he led the bank from inception in 1998 until July of 2006, when the bank was sold to Mercantile. During that period, the bank grew into a \$550 million asset institution with six branch offices in Northern Virginia.

Accompanying Mr. Maxwell as he takes the helm at Security One will be the core leadership team that he assembled at James Monroe, including:

- Bill Ridenour – Executive Vice President
- Paul Bice – Regional President, Loudoun County
- Sonia Johnston - Regional President, Arlington County

“John has the vision to help us grow. More importantly he has the dedication, drive and experience to turn that vision into a reality” stated Security One Chairman Will Soza. “John and his team have proven themselves to have the experience to meet every challenge and surpass expectations. We are absolutely thrilled to have his management team on board.”

New investors in the bank are successful and highly-regarded businesspersons and professionals in Northern Virginia and the Washington Metro Area that include:

- Jean Edelman – Principal, Edelman Financial Services LLC
- Mike Foster – Architect, MTF Architects
- Subhash Garg – CPA, Weiner and Garg LLC

- Jon Kinney – Attorney, Bean, Kinney & Korman, PC
- Leland Mahan – Attorney, O. Leland Mahan, PC
- Lim Ngounly – President & CEO, Princess Jewelers, Inc.

Upon taking the role of CEO, John Maxwell stated, “We are looking forward to taking an already good thing and working hard to make it better. Under the leadership of the founding Board members, management team, and employees, Security One has built a solid foundation to support future growth. There are tremendous opportunities to serve small businesses and entrepreneurs out there that other banks are not properly serving. We want their business. At the same time, we will continue Security One’s commitment to the Hispanic community”.

Carl Dodson, who was the founding President and CEO of Security One Bank, will remain President of the bank. As part of the agreement, a Change in Control application will be submitted, and upon regulatory approval, Bill Ridenour will assume the role of President and Carl Dodson will become Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. Dodson stated “We are excited to have John and his talented team join us. Combining the strong platform we have created with additional capital and their extensive local business contacts will create a stronger and more diversified bank. It provides us with the opportunity to expand the products and services we offer to both the Hispanic and mainstream markets, while significantly accelerating the growth of the bank and enhancing career opportunities for our existing employees”.

Since opening its doors to the public in May 2006, the goal of Security One Bank has been to provide top-quality banking services and excellent customer service. It is anticipated that the new team’s expertise and customer first focus will enhance that goal and make the bank a first choice financial services provider in the Northern Virginia region.

Mr. Maxwell and his management team will begin working at Security One immediately, although the investment by his group and the assumption of seats on the Board of Directors will be subject to regulatory approval, capital raising and other conditions.

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