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Silicon Valley Bank Sponsors 2005 California Governor And First Lady's Conference On Women And Families

19th Annual Conference Spotlights Women as Architects of Change

SANTA CLARA, Calif., October 24, 2005 — Silicon Valley Bank, the primary subsidiary of SVB Financial Group (Nasdaq: SIVBE), announced its sponsorship of the 2005 California Governor and First Lady's Conference on Women and Families, to be held October 27, 2005 in Long Beach, California. The theme of this year's conference, the largest one-day gathering of women in the country, is "Women as Architects of Change: Lessons on Leadership, Activism and Family."

The conference boasts an exceptional lineup of speakers, including renowned journalists Tom Brokaw, Barbara Walters and Christiane Amanpour; United States Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor; finance expert Suze Orman; writer and director Nora Ephron; world-renowned breast cancer expert Dr. Susan Love; National Geographic Explorer host Lisa Ling; Young & Rubicam CEO Ann Fudge; Radio Talk Show Host Dr. Laura Schlessinger and tennis legend Billie Jean King.

"As the largest event of its kind, this conference represents a tremendous opportunity for us to gain insight into the most pressing priorities and concerns of women and families in California and, in doing so, better support our own employees," said Lynda Ward Pierce, head of Human Resources for Silicon Valley Bank. "It's also a chance for us to connect with like-minded companies and learn about new ideas and best practices that will help to ensure the success and satisfaction of our workforce in years to come."

More than 10,500 women are expected to attend the sold-out, non-partisan, non-profit conference, which includes a full program of keynote and professional seminar sessions and more than 275 exhibits. Conference attendees include corporate executives and small business owners, professional and community leaders and other successful women.

The conference will award four remarkable California women the second annual Minerva Awards, recognizing them for their tremendous impact on the state through service. The new Minerva Scholars program will also award four college women each a $25,000 scholarship.

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