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Neighborhood National Bank named National City Chamber of Commerce 2008 Business of the Year

National City, CA – At their 99th annual Inauguration Dinner, the National City Chamber of Commerce named Neighborhood National Bank their 2008 Business of the Year. "Neighborhood National Bank was founded on the principle of being a community bank," said Chairman and CEO Robert M. McGill. "It is an honor to be recognized for our work in the community."

The award, which is voted on by the Chamber's Board of Directors, is given to a company that is an active participant in business and civic involvement. "Business of the Year is the highest award I can give a company and I am proud to recognize Neighborhood National Bank for their outstanding work in our community," said outgoing Chamber President Ditas Yamane. "Their programs and support help National City citizens every day."

"The County has deposited \$3 million with Neighborhood National Bank's CDARS program as part of our Local Banking Initiative," said Dan McAllister, San Diego County Treasurer/Tax Collector, who was presenting the award to Neighborhood National Bank. "We believe in their mission, and we support their efforts to reinvest these dollars back into our community."

Organized in 1905 as a Board of Trade, the National City Chamber of Commerce was chartered in 1911. Since then, the Chamber has worked to improve National City's business climate and quality of life. "Neighborhood National Bank is one of the most active community leaders in National City," said National City Chamber of commerce CEO Jacqueline L. Reynoso. "They represent businesses in good faith and tailor their products and services to best suit our small business community. When is comes to business and community support, Neighborhood National Bank is always first to step up to the plate."

About Neighborhood National Bank

Neighborhood National Bank opened to the public in 1997 and was the first bank to be designated by the U.S. Treasury as a nationally chartered Community Development Bank (CDB), and a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI), which requires the bank to place at least 60% of its deposits as loans to low-to-moderate income census tracts within the community. Neighborhood National Bank is a full-service bank with assets exceeding \$130 million.

Neighborhood National Bank operates from three banking locations, one in San Diego, one in National City, and the newest location in East County. In addition, Neighborhood National Bank maintains standalone ATM sites in Paradise Valley and Mission Hills. For more banking information, please call 619-789-4400 or visit: www.mynnb.com.