UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K/A (Amendment No. 1)

Emerging growth company

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△ ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021 OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM

Commission File Number 001-38149

RBB BANCORP

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

California
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)
1055 Wilshire Blvd., 12th floor
Los Angeles, California
dress of principal executive offices

27-2776416 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

TO

Los Angeles, California (Address of principal executive offices) Registrant's telephone number, including area co		90017 (Zip Code) e: (213) 627-9888		
Securities registered pursuant	to Section 12(b) of the Act	•		
Title of each c	. ,	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of exchange on which registe	red
Common Stock, No		RBB	NASDAQ Global Select Market	
	Securities reg	gistered pursuant to Section 12(g) of t	the Act: None	
Indicate by check mark if the	Registrant is a well-known s	seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 40	5 of the Securities Act. Yes □ No ⊠	
Indicate by check mark if the	Registrant is not required to	file reports pursuant to Section 13 or	15(d) of the Act. Yes $□$ No \boxtimes	
	ths (or for such shorter period		Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Aco file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such	
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	See the definitions of "large		a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting compaer," "smaller reporting company," and "emergin	
Large accelerated filer			Accelerated filer	\boxtimes
Non-accelerated filer			Smaller reporting company	

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed a report on and attestation to its management's assessment of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting under Section 404(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (15 U.S.C. 7262(b)) by the registered public accounting firm that prepared or issued its audit report \boxtimes

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes □ No ⊠

The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates computed by reference to the price at which the common equity was last sold, or the average bid and asked price of such common equity, as of the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed

second fiscal quarter was \$378,802,944.

The number of shares of Registrant's Common Stock outstanding as of March 21, 2022, was 19,453,941.

The registrant's auditor is Eide Bailly LLP, Laguna Hills, California, PCAOB ID 286.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the Registrant's Definitive Proxy Statement relating to the Annual Meeting of Shareholders, scheduled to be held on May 18, 2022, are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Report.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-K/A ("Amendment No. 1") is being filed to amend RBB Bancorp's (together with its consolidated subsidiaries, the "Company") Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021 ("Original Filing"), filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on March 11, 2022 ("Original Filing Date"). The sole purpose of this Amendment No. 1 is to correct the previously filed Exhibit Index, which inadvertently did not incorporate by reference previously-filed exhibits or include a reference to the date, and the filing with which, such exhibits were previously filed and to file additional exhibits, which were inadvertently omitted from the Exhibit Index.

As required by Rule 12b-15 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer are providing new currently dated certifications required pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, which are attached hereto.

Except as described above, this Amendment No. 1 does not amend, update or change any other items or disclosures in the Original Filing. This Amendment No. 1 speaks only as of the Original Filing Date, and the Company has not undertaken herein to amend, supplement or update any information contained in the Original Filing to give effect to any subsequent events. Accordingly, this Amendment No. 1 should be read in conjunction with the Company's filings made with the SEC subsequent to the filing of the Original Filing, including any amendment to those filings.

PART IV

Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules.

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- (a) Exhibits
 The exhibit index attached hereto is incorporated herein by reference.
- (b) Financial Statement Schedules.All schedules have been omitted as not applicable or not required under the rules of Regulation S-X.

EXHIBIT INDEX

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Exhibit Number	
2.1	Agreement and Plan of Merger By and Among RBB Bancorp, Royal Business Bank, PGH Holdings, Inc. and Pacific Global Bank, effective as of September 5, 2019 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to our Form 10-Q filed on November 12, 2019)
3.1	Articles of Incorporation of RBB Bancorp (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 3.1 of the Registrant's Registration Statement in Form S-1 filed with the SEC on June 28, 2017)
3.2	Bylaws of RBB Bancorp (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 3.2 of the Registrant's Registration Statement in Form S-1 filed with the SEC on June 28, 2017).
3.3	Amendment to Bylaws of RBB Bancorp (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 3.3 of the Registrant's Quarterly Report in Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on November 13, 2018)
4.1	Specimen Common Stock Certificate of RBB Bancorp (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.1 of the Registrant's Registration Statement in Form S-1 filed with the SEC on June 28, 2017). Instruments defining the rights of holders of the long-term debt securities of the Company and its subsidiaries are omitted pursuant to section (b)(4)(iii)(A) of Item 601 of Regulation S-K. The Company hereby agrees to furnish copies of these instruments to the SEC upon request.
4.2	Description of Registrant's Securities (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to our Form 10-K filed on December 31, 2019)
10.1	Employment Agreement dated April 12, 2017 between RBB Bancorp, Royal Business Bank and Alan Thian (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to our Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-219018) filed on June 28, 2017)*
10.2	Employment Agreement dated April 12, 2017 between RBB Bancorp, Royal Business Bank and David Morris (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to our Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-219018) filed on June 28, 2017)*
10.3	Employment Agreement dated April 12, 2017 between RBB Bancorp, Royal Business Bank and Simon Pang (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to our Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-219018) filed on June 28, 2017)*
10.4	Employment Agreement, dated April 12, 2017 between RBB Bancorp, Royal Business Bank and Vincent (I-Ming) Liu*+
10.5	Employment Agreement, dated April 12, 2017 between RBB Bancorp, Royal Business Bank and Jeffrey Yeh*+
10.6	First Amendment of Employment Agreement dated October 22, 2021 between RBB Bancorp, Royal Business Bank and Mr. I-Ming (Vincent) Liu (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to our Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on November 8, 2021)*
10.7	First Amendment of Employment Agreement dated October 22, 2021 between RBB Bancorp, Royal Business Bank and Mr. David R. Morris (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to our Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on November 8, 2021)*

First Amendment of Employment Agreement dated October 22, 2021, between RBB Bancorp, Royal Business Bank and Mr. Simon Pang

	(incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to our Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on November 8, 2021)*	
10.9	First Amendment of Employment Agreement dated October 22, 2021 between RBB Bancorp, Royal Business Bank and Mr. Jeffrey Yeh (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to our Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on November 8, 2021)*	
10.10	RBB Bancorp 2010 Stock Option Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to our Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-219018) filed on June 28, 2017)*	
10.11	Form of Stock Option Award under the RBB Bancorp 2010 Stock Option Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to our Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-219018) filed on June 28, 2017)*	
10.12	RBB Bancorp 2017 Amended and Restated Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to our Form 8-K filed on January 21, 2022)*	
10.13	Form of Stock Option Award Terms under the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to our Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-219018) filed on June 28, 2017)*	
10.14	Form of Stock Appreciation Rights Award under the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to our Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-219018) filed on June 28, 2017)*	
10.15	Form of Deferred Stock Award Agreement under the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to our Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-219018) filed on June 28, 2017)*	
10.16	Form of Restricted Stock Award Agreement under the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.10 to our Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-219018) filed on June 28, 2017)*	
10.17	Form of Performance Award Agreement under the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.11 to our Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-219018) filed on June 28, 2017)*	
10.18	Form of Indemnification Agreements entered into with all of the directors and executive officers of RBB Bancorp (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.12 to our Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-219018) filed on June 28, 2017)*	
10.19	Form of Indemnification Agreement entered into with all of the former directors and executive officers of TFC Holding Company (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13 to our Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-219018) filed on June 28, 2017)*	
10.20	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Employees under the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan*+	
10.21	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Directors under the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan*+	
21.1	Subsidiaries of RBB Bancorp (Reference is made to "Item 1. Business" for the required information.)	
23.1	Consent of Eide Bailly LLP**	
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002+	
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002+	
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**	
32.2	Certification of Chief Finance Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**	
101.INS 101.SCH 101.CAL 101.DEF 101.LAB 101.PRE 104	Inline XBRL Instance Document** Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document** Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document** Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document** Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document** Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document** Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document** The cover page of RBB Bancorp's Amendment No. 1 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2021, formatted in Inline XBRL (contained in Exhibit 101)	
* Indicates a management contract or compensatory plan		

^{*} Indicates a management contract or compensatory plan

^{**} Filed with the Original Filing

⁺ Filed herewith

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Exhibit Description

- 31.1* Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as amended.
- 31.2* <u>Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as amended.</u>
- * Submitted electronically herewith.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this Amendment No. 1 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Los Angeles, State of California, on April ___, 2022.

RBB BANCORP

By: /s/ David R. Morris

Name: David R. Morris

Title: Interim Chief Executive Officer and President

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, this Amendment No. 1 has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ David R. Morris David R. Morris	Interim Chief Executive Officer and President (principal executive officer)	April 1, 2022
/s/ David R. Morris David Morris	Executive Vice President; Chief Financial Officer (principal financial and accounting officer)	April 1, 2022
/s/ Peter M. Chang Peter M. Chang	Director	April 1, 2022
/s/ Wendell Chen Wendell Chen	Director	April 1, 2022
/s/ Christina Kao Christina Kao	Director	April 1, 2022
/s/ James W. Kao James W. Kao	Director	April 1, 2022
/s/ Chie-Min (Christopher) Koo Chie-Min (Christopher) Koo	Director	April 1, 2022
/s/ Alfonso Lau Alfonso Lau	Director	April 1, 2022
/s/ Christopher Lin Christopher Lin	Director	April 1, 2022
/s/ Ko-Yen Lin Ko-Yen Lin	Director	April 1, 2022
/s/ Paul Lin Paul Lin	Director	April 1, 2022
/s/ Feng (Richard) Lin Feng (Richard) Lin	Director	April 1, 2022
/s/ Fui Ming (Catherine) Thian Fui Ming (Catherine) Thian	Director	April 1, 2022
/s/ Raymond Yu Raymond Yu	Director	April 1, 2022

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

THIS EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT is effective as of April 12, 2017 between ROYAL BUSINESS BANK, a California state banking corporation (the "Bank"), RBB BANCORP, (the "Bancorp"), a California corporation, (collectively referred to as the "Company") with their principal offices at 660 South Figueroa, Suite 1888, Los Angeles, California 90017 (hereinafter "Bank"), and VINCENT (I-Ming) LIU (hereinafter "Executive") whose present address is 310 N. Mission Drive, San Gabriel, California 91775. Executive may be carried on the records of the Bank as an employee and Executive's compensation shall be paid by the Bank, subject to the Bank's right of reimbursement from the Bancorp under other agreements to which the Executive is not a party.

A. TERM OF EMPLOYMENT

Subject to all necessary regulatory approvals, the Bank hereby employs Executive, and Executive hereby accepts employment with the Bank, for the three-year period (the "Term") commencing on April 13, 2017 (the "Effective Date") through April 12, 2020, subject however to prior termination as hereinafter provided. Where used herein, "Term" shall refer to the entire period of the employment of Executive by Bank hereunder, whether for the period provided above, or whether terminated earlier as hereinafter provided, or renewed as provided in the next paragraph.

The term hereof shall be automatically renewed for successive one (1) year periods (the "Extended Term"), unless written notice is given and received not less than three (3) months prior to the end of the Initial Term of the intention of either party not to renew the same. The term for which Executive is employed hereunder (which includes the Initial Term and, if renewed, the Extended Term) is hereinafter referred to as the "Term."

B. DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE

- 1. <u>Duties</u>. Executive's duties under his Employment Agreement include all ordinary and reasonable duties customarily performed by the full-time Chief Risk Officer, subject to the powers by law vested in the Board of Directors of the Bank and in the Bank's shareholders. As such, Executive shall oversee all operational aspects of the business and activities of the Bank. Executive shall render his services to the Bank and shall exercise such corporate responsibilities as Executive may be directed by the President and Chief Executive Officer, and Executive shall perform his duties faithfully, diligently and to the best of his ability, consistent with the highest and best standards of the banking industry and in compliance with applicable laws and the Bank's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.
- 2. Conflicts of Interest. Executive expressly agrees as a condition to the performance by Bank of its obligations herein that during the term of his Agreement and of any renewals hereof, he will not, directly or indirectly, render any services of an advisory nature or otherwise to or become employed by or participate or engage in any business competitive with any businesses of the Bank, without the prior written consent of the Bank, however, that nothing herein shall prohibit Executive from owning stock or other securities of a competitor which are relatively insubstantial to the total outstanding stock of such competitor, and so long as he in fact does not have the power to control or direct the management or policies of such competitor and does not serve as a director or officer of, and is not otherwise associated with, any competitor except as consented to by the Bank. Nothing contained herein shall preclude substantially passive investments by Executive during the Term that may require nominal amounts of his time, energies and interest.
- 3. Performance. Except as provided in paragraph G.2. herein, Executive after the Effective Date shall devote substantially his full energies, interests, abilities and productive time to the business of the Bank. Executive shall at all times loyally and conscientiously perform all of these duties and obligations hereunder and shall at all times strictly adhere to and obey, and instruct and require all that work under and with him strictly to adhere and obey, all applicable federal and state laws, statutes, rules and regulations to the end that the Bank shall at all times be in full compliance with such laws, statutes, rules and regulations.

C. COMPENSATION

- 1. <u>Salary</u>. In consideration of the performance by Executive of all of his obligations under this Agreement, the Bank agrees to pay Executive during the Term hereof a base salary of \$240,000 per year from the date of commencement of his Agreement for each year of the Term. The Board of Directors may elect to adjust upward the base annual salary and other compensation of Executive from time to time, at its sole discretion. The Executive's salary shall be reviewed at least annually by the Board of Directors which may, but shall not be required to, increase the salary during the Employment Term.
- 2. <u>Bonuses</u>. During the term of this Agreement, Executive may receive such bonuses, if any, as the Board of Directors in it sole discretion shall determine.
- 3. Stock Options/Stock Awards. The Board of Directors of the Bancorp in its sole discretion intends to grant to Executive a Stock Option/Stock Award (the "Award"). If Executive's employment is terminated for any reason other than for cause or voluntarily by Executive, Executive's then vested Awards shall be exercisable over the remaining term of the Awards, subject to acceleration in specified circumstances. The remaining terms and conditions of the Awards shall be governed by the Bancorp's Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan and Executive's Stock Award Agreement.
- 4. <u>Claw-back Provisions</u>. Notwithstanding any other provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, any incentive-based compensation, or any other compensation, paid to the Executive pursuant to this Agreement or any other agreement or arrangement with the Company which is subject to recovery under any law, government regulation or stock exchange listing requirement, will be subject to such deductions and claw-back as may be required to be made pursuant to such law, government regulation or stock exchange listing requirement (or any policy adopted by the Company pursuant to any such law, government regulation or stock exchange listing requirement).

D. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

1. <u>Vacation</u>. Executive shall be entitled to a vacation each year during the Term, which vacation shall be four (4) weeks, subject to preapproval by the Board of Directors. Executive further agrees that he will not take the entire four (4) weeks of vacation consecutively, and that he will not take any vacation at times which would be detrimental to the interests of the Bank. Any vacation time not used shall not accumulate, and Executive and the Bank shall conform to the Bank's Human Resources policy then in effect concerning vacations.

- 2. <u>Travel Expense.</u> During the Term hereunder, the Bank shall provide Executive, with an automobile paid by the Bank, with the make and model determined by the Bank, at a cost of not more than \$1500 per month, plus the Bank shall reimburse Executive for all insurance, gasoline, oil, vehicle maintenance, any applicable federal and/or state income tax, and other transportation expenses, including train and taxi expenses. During the Term hereunder, the Board of Directors would be willing to reanalyze the monthly allowance if Executive's actual and reasonable costs are significantly in excess of the monthly allowance.
- 3. <u>Group Medical and Life Insurance Benefits</u>. The Bank will provide Executive and Executive's immediate family, and pay for, participation in medical, dental, vision, accident and health benefits as provided to other officers and employees of the Bank, and appropriate life and disability insurance, as long as Executive is insurable at a normal premium payment. The Bank's liability to Executive for any breach of this paragraph shall be limited to the amount of premiums payable by the Bank to obtain the coverage contemplated herein.
- 4. <u>Salary Continuation Plan and Other Plans</u>. During the Term, Executive shall be eligible to participate in any pension or profit-sharing plan, deferred compensation plan, salary continuation plan, stock purchase plan, or similar benefit or retirement program of the Bank as approved by the Board of Directors now or hereafter existing, to the extent that he is eligible under the provisions thereof and commensurate with his position in relationship to other participants.

E. REIMBURSEMENT FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES

Executive shall be entitled to reimbursement by the Bank for any ordinary and necessary business expenses incurred by Executive in the performance of Executive's duties and in acting for the Bank during the Term, which type of expenditures shall be determined by the Board of Directors, provided that:

- (a) Each such expenditure is of a nature qualifying it as a proper deduction on the federal and state income tax returns of the Bank as a business expense and not as deductible compensation to Executive; and
- (b) Executive furnishes to the Bank adequate records and other documentary evidence required by federal and state statutes and regulations issued by the appropriate taxing authorities for the substantiation of such expenditures as deductible business expenses of the Bank and not as deductible compensation to Executive.

Upon timely presentation to the Bank of necessary and proper documentation in accordance with the Regulations of the Internal Revenue Service, the Bank will reimburse Executive for any necessary, usual, customary and reasonable business expenses incurred by Executive in connection with his position or for the Bank's benefit, including the costs of cellular phone service related to the Bank's business.

Any expenses of Executive for his activities in industry association groups, or other business, industry, civic, or charitable organizations, that are not reimbursed by those organizations, will be reimbursed by the Bank to Executive upon presentation of proper documentation.

F. TERMINATION

Notwithstanding any and all other provisions of this Agreement to the contrary, Executive's employment hereunder may be terminated:

- 1. Without Cause. In the sole and absolute discretion of the Board of Directors for any cause whatsoever; provided, however, that if such termination occurs during the Term and is for any cause other than any more particularly described in Sections F.2. or F.3. hereof, Executive shall receive severance payment in an amount equal to twelve (12) months of his then current annual salary, payable in installments on the normal payroll dates of the Bank, in full and complete satisfaction of any and all rights which Executive may enjoy hereunder other than the right, if any, to exercise any of the Options vested prior to such termination. In order to qualify for the severance benefit, Executive must execute a general release in favor of the Bank and its officers, directors, employees, shareholders, attorneys, agents and all other related parties.
- 2. <u>Disability or Death.</u> Upon Executive's physical or mental disability to continue his duties hereunder as the Chief Risk Officer of the Bank; provided, however, that if such termination occurs as a result of such disability, Executive shall receive severance payment in an amount equal to three (3) months of the annual base salary in effect hereunder at the date of such termination in full and complete satisfaction of any and all rights which Executive might enjoy hereunder other than the right, if any, to exercise any of the Options vested prior to such termination, less any payments received from any Bank provided benefit, including worker's compensation, FICA or disability insurance. For purposes of this Agreement, physical or mental disability shall be defined as Executive being unable to fully perform under this Agreement for a continuous period of 90 days, and reasonably accommodate for that disability as required by the Americans with Disability Act of 1990.

Upon Executive's death; provided, however, Executive's estate shall receive the payment in an amount equal to three (3) months of the annual base salary in effect hereunder at the date of such termination in full and complete satisfaction of any and all rights which Executive might enjoy hereunder other than the right, if any, to exercise any of the Options vested prior to such termination.

- 3. <u>For Cause</u>. The Bank may terminate immediately this Agreement without any further obligation or liability whatsoever to Executive, if:
 - (a) Executive engages in misconduct or is negligent in the performance of his material duties hereunder; or
- (b) Executive is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to any felony, or is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to any misdemeanor involving moral turpitude; or
- (c) Bank is required to remove or replace Executive by formal order or formal or informal instruction, including a requested consent order or agreement, from the DFI or Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") or any other regulatory authority having jurisdiction; or
 - (d) Executive has failed to perform or habitually neglected Executive's duties; or
- (e) Executive has failed to follow any valid and legal written policy of the Board of Directors, any resolutions of the Board adopted at a duly called meeting or any instructions from the Board of Directors or President and Chief Executive Officer; or

- (f) Due to Executive's lack of care or negligence, the Bank receives a Section 8(a) Order from the FDIC, a Section 8(b) Order from the FDIC, or a Section 1912 or 1913 Order from the DFI; or
 - (g) Executive's engagement in dishonesty, illegal conduct

or gross misconduct; or

- (h) Executive's willful unauthorized disclosure of Confidential Information (as defined below); or
- (i) Executive's breach of any obligation under this Agreement or any other written agreement between the Executive and the Company; or
- (j) any failure by the Executive to comply with the Company's written policies or rules, as they may be in effect from time to time during the Employment Term, if such failure causes material harm to the Company.

Any termination under this paragraph F.3 shall not prejudice any remedy which Bank may otherwise have at law, in equity, or under this Agreement.

4. Change of Control

(a) Except for termination for Cause (pursuant to Section F.3 hereof), disability or death (pursuant to Section F.2 hereof), after the occurrence of a Change in Control (as defined below) and in no other event, if Executive's employment with the Bank is materially adversely altered or Executive is not retained by the Bank or the surviving bank or company, Executive shall be entitled to receive severance

payment in the amount equal to six (6) months of Executive's then current annual salary. Such payment shall terminate this Agreement in all respects, but shall not prohibit Executive from continuing as an employee under a new agreement with the Bank or a successor bank.

A material adverse alteration in employee status would mean (i) a material breach by the Bank of its obligations under this Agreement, (ii) a change in Executive's status or position or responsibilities as Chief Risk Officer of the Bank which represents a demotion from his status, title, position and responsibilities, or the assignment to him of any significant duties which are inconsistent with such status, title or position, or (iii) a reduction by the Bank in his base annual salary, or (iv) requiring him to be based anywhere other than the greater Los Angeles area.

The Executive cannot terminate his employment for a material adverse alteration in employee status unless he has provided written notice to the Company of the existence of the circumstances providing grounds for termination for Good Reason within thirty (30) days of the initial existence or occurrence of such grounds and the Company has had at least (30) days from the date on which such notice is provided to cure such circumstances. If the Executive does not terminate his employment for Good Reason within seventy-five (75) days after the first occurrence of the applicable grounds, then the Executive will be deemed to have waived his right to terminate for Good Reason with respect to such grounds.

- (b) A "Change in Control" shall be deemed to have occurred if the conditions set forth in any one of the following paragraphs shall have been satisfied:
- (i) any "person" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") (other than the Bank; any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Bank; any entity owned, directly or indirectly, by the stockholders of the Bank in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of the stock of the Bank) is or becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of securities of the Bank (not including in the securities beneficially owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from the Bank or its affiliates) representing 25% or more of the combined voting power of the Bank's then outstanding securities; or
- (ii) the stockholders of the Bank approve a merger or consolidation of the Bank with any other corporation, other than (A) a merger or consolidation which would result in the voting securities of the Bank outstanding immediately prior thereto continuing to represent (either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of the surviving entity), in combination with the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Bank, at least 75% of the combined voting power of the voting securities of the Bank or such surviving entity outstanding immediately after such merger or consolidation, or (B) a merger or consolidation effected to implement a recapitalization of the Bank (or similar transaction) in which no person acquires more than 50% of the combined voting power of the Bank's then outstanding securities; or
- (iii) the stockholders of the Bank approve a plan of complete liquidation of the Bank or an agreement for the sale or disposition by the Bank of all or substantially all the Bank's assets.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Change in Control shall not include (A) any event, circumstances or transaction that results from the action of any entity or group that includes, is affiliated with, or is wholly or partly controlled by Executive (e.g., a management-led buyout), or (B) the repurchase by the Bank or the redemption directly or indirectly, of securities of the Bank representing 50% or more of the combined voting power of the Bank's then outstanding securities.

The Executive cannot terminate his employment for a material adverse alteration in employee status unless he has provided written notice to the Company of the existence of the circumstances providing grounds for termination for Good Reason within thirty (30) days of the initial existence or occurrence of such grounds and the Company has had at least (30) days from the date on which such notice is provided to cure such circumstances. If the Executive does not terminate his employment for Good Reason within seventy-five (75) days after the first occurrence of the applicable grounds, then the Executive will be deemed to have waived his right to terminate for Good Reason with respect to such grounds.

5. Release. As a condition to Executive receiving any payments pursuant to Sections F.1, F.2, and F.4 hereof, Executive will execute and deliver a general release to the Bank, releasing the Bank, its employees, officers, directors, stockholders and agents, and each person who controls any of them within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, from any and all claims (other than claims with respect to payments pursuant to such Sections) from the beginning of time to the date of termination.

6. Supervisory Matters.

(a) If the Executive is suspended and/or temporarily prohibited from participating in the conduct of the Bank's or the Bancorp's affairs by notice served under Section 8(e)(3) or 8(g)(1) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. Section 1818(e)(3) and (g)(1)), the obligations of the Company under this Agreement shall be suspended as of the date of service, unless stayed by appropriate proceedings. If the charges in the notice are dismissed, the Company may, in its discretion: (i) pay the Executive all or part of the compensation withheld while its obligations under this Agreement were suspended; and (ii) reinstate (in whole or in part) any of its obligations which were suspended. If the Executive is removed and/or permanently prohibited from participating in the conduct of the Bank's or the Bancorp's affairs by an order issued under Section 8(e) (3) or 8(g)(1) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. Section 1818(e)(3) or (g)(1)), all obligations of the Company under this Agreement shall terminate as of the effective date of the order, but vested rights of the parties shall not be affected. If the Company is in default (as defined in Section 3(x)(1) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. Section 1813(x)(1)), all obligations under this Agreement shall terminate as of the date of default, but vested rights of the parties shall not be affected. All obligations under this Agreement shall be terminated, except to the extent that it is determined that continuation of the Agreement is necessary for the

continued operation of the Company; (i) by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at the time that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation enters into an agreement to provide assistance to or on behalf of the Bank under the authority contained in Section 11 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. Section 1821); or (ii) by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the Federal Reserve Board, at the time that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the Federal Reserve Board approves a supervisory merger to resolve problems related to the operation of the Bancorp or when the Company is in an unsafe or unsound condition. All rights of the parties that have already vested, however, shall not be affected by such action.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the obligation to make payment of any severance benefits as provided herein (including without limitation, any payment contemplated under Section F.4), is conditioned upon (i) the Company and/or Bank obtaining any necessary approval from the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and/or the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and (ii) compliance with applicable law, including 12 C.F.R. Part 359. In addition, the Executive covenants and agrees that the Company and its successors and assigns shall have the right to demand the return of any "golden parachute payments" (as defined in 12 C.F.R. Part

359) in the event that any of them obtain information indicating that the Executive committed, is substantially responsible for, or has violated, the respective acts or omissions, conditions, or offenses contained in 12 C.F.R. § 359.4(a)(4), and the Executive shall promptly return any such "golden parachute payment" upon such demand.

(7) Section 280G.

- (i) If any of the payments or benefits received or to be received by the Executive (including, without limitation, any payment or benefits received in connection with a Change in Control or the Executive's termination of employment, whether pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or any other plan, arrangement or agreement, or otherwise) (all such payments collectively referred to herein as the "280G Payments") constitute "parachute payments" within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code and would, but for this Section F.(7), be subject to the excise tax imposed under Section 4999 of the Code (the "Excise Tax"), then such 280G Payments shall be reduced (by the minimum possible amounts) in a manner determined by the Company that is consistent with the requirements of Section 409A, until no amount payable to the Executive will be subject to the Excise Tax. If two economically equivalent amounts are subject to reduction but are payable at different times, the amounts shall be reduced (but not below zero) on a pro rata basis.
- (ii) All calculations and determinations under this Section F.(7) shall be made by an independent accounting firm or independent tax counsel appointed by the Company (the "Tax Counsel") whose determinations shall be conclusive and binding on the Company and the Executive for all purposes. For purposes of making the calculations and determinations required by this Section F.(7), the Tax Counsel may rely on reasonable, good faith assumptions and approximations concerning the application of Section 280G and Section 4999 of the Code. The Company and the Executive shall furnish the Tax Counsel with such information and documents as the Tax Counsel may reasonably request in order to make its determinations under this

Section F.(7). The Company shall bear all costs the Tax Counsel may reasonably incur in connection with its services.

G. Confidential Information Defined.

(a) Definition.

For purposes of this Agreement, "Confidential Information" includes, but is not limited to, all information not generally known to the public, in spoken, printed, electronic or any other form or medium, relating directly or indirectly to: business processes, practices, methods, policies, plans, documents, operations, services, strategies, agreements, contracts, terms of agreements, transactions, potential transactions, negotiations, trade secrets, policy manuals, records, vendor information, financial information, results, accounting records, legal information, marketing information, pricing information, credit information, payroll information, staffing information, personnel information, employee lists, supplier lists, vendor lists, reports, internal controls, security procedures, market studies, sales information, revenue, costs, notes, communications, product plans, ideas, customer information, customer lists, of the Company or its businesses or any existing or prospective customer, supplier, investor or other associated third party, or of any other person or entity that has entrusted information to the Company in confidence.

The Executive understands that the above list is not exhaustive, and that Confidential Information also includes other information that is marked or otherwise identified as confidential or proprietary, or that would otherwise appear to a reasonable person to be confidential or proprietary in the context and circumstances in which the information is known or used.

The Executive understands and agrees that Confidential Information includes information developed by him in the course of his employment by the Company as if the Company furnished the same Confidential Information to the Executive in the first instance. Confidential Information shall not include information that: (i) is generally available to and known by the public at the time of disclosure to the Executive; provided that, such disclosure is through no direct or indirect fault of the Executive or person(s) acting on the Executive's behalf; (ii) becomes available on a non-confidential basis from a source other than a party to this Agreement or a representative of a party to this Agreement, provided that such source is not bound by a confidentiality agreement with a party or otherwise prohibited from transmitting the information by a contractual, legal or fiduciary obligation, (iii) is disclosed in accordance with an order of a court of competent jurisdiction or applicable law.

(b) Company Creation and Use of Confidential Information.

The Executive understands and acknowledges that the Company has invested, and continues to invest, substantial time, money and specialized knowledge into developing its resources, creating a customer base, generating customer and potential customer lists, training its employees, and improving its product offerings in the field of financial services. The Executive understands and acknowledges that as a result of these efforts, the Company has created, and continues to use and create Confidential Information. This Confidential Information provides the Company with a competitive advantage over others in the marketplace.

(c) Disclosure and Use Restrictions.

The Executive agrees and covenants: (i) to treat all Confidential Information as strictly confidential; (ii) not to directly or indirectly disclose, publish, communicate or make available Confidential Information, or allow it to be disclosed, published, communicated or made available, in whole or part, to any entity or person whatsoever (including other employees of the Company) not having a need to know and authority to know and use the Confidential Information in connection with the business of the Company and, in any event, not to anyone outside of the direct employ of the Company except as required in the performance of the Executive's authorized employment duties to the Company in each instance (and then, such disclosure shall be made only within the limits and to the extent of such duties; and (iii) not to access or use any Confidential Information, and not to copy any documents, records, files, media or other resources from the premises or control of the Company, except as required in the performance of the Executive's authorized employment duties to the Company acting on behalf of the Company in each instance (and then, such disclosure shall be made only within the limits and to the extent of such duties). Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent disclosure of Confidential Information as may be required by applicable law or regulation, or pursuant to the valid order of a court of competent jurisdiction or an authorized government agency, provided that the disclosure does not exceed the extent of disclosure required by such law, regulation or order. The Executive shall promptly provide written notice of any such order to the Company's General Counsel.

The Executive understands and acknowledges that her obligations under this Agreement with regard to any particular Confidential Information shall commence immediately upon the Executive first having access to such Confidential Information (whether before or after he began employment by the Company) and shall continue during and after his employment by the Company until such time as such Confidential Information has become public knowledge other than as a result of the Executive's breach of this Agreement or breach by those acting in concert with the Executive or on the Executive's behalf.

H. Security.

- (a) <u>Security and Access</u>. The Executive agrees and covenants (a) to comply with all Company security policies and procedures as in force from time to time including, without limitation, those regarding computer equipment, telephone systems, voicemail systems, facilities access, monitoring, key cards, access codes, Company intranet, internet, social media and instant messaging systems, computer systems, e-mail systems, computer networks, document storage systems, software, data security, encryption, firewalls, and passwords ("Facilities Information Technology and Access Resources"); (b) not to access or use any Facilities Information Technology and Access Resources in any manner after the termination of the Executive's employment by the Company, whether termination is voluntary or involuntary. The Executive agrees to notify the Company promptly in the event she learns of any violation of the foregoing by others, or of any other misappropriation or unauthorized access, use, reproduction or reverse engineering of, or tampering with any Facilities Information Technology and Access Resources or other Company property or materials by others.
- (b) Exit Obligations. Upon (a) voluntary or involuntary termination of the Executive's employment or (b) the Company's request at any time during the Executive's employment, the Executive shall (i) provide or return to the Company any and all Company property, including keys, key cards, access cards, identification cards, security devices, employer credit cards, network access devices, computers, cell phones, smartphones, PDAs, pagers, fax machines, equipment, manuals, reports, files, books, compilations, e-mail messages, recordings, disks, thumb drives or other removable information storage devices, hard drives, data and all Company documents and materials belonging to the Company and stored in any fashion, including but not limited to those that constitute or contain any Confidential Information, that are in the possession or control of the Executive, whether they were provided to the Executive by the Company or any of its business associates or created by the Executive in connection with her employment by the Company; and (ii) delete or destroy all copies of any such documents and materials not returned to the Company that remain in the Executive's possession or control, including those stored on any non-Company devices, networks, storage locations and media in the Executive's possession or control.
- I. <u>Publicity</u>. The Executive hereby irrevocably consents to any and all uses and displays, by the Company and its agents, representatives and licensees, of the Executive's name, voice, likeness, image, appearance and biographical information in, on or in connection with any pictures, photographs, audio and video recordings, digital images, websites, television programs and advertising, other advertising and publicity, sales and marketing brochures, books, magazines, other publications, CDs, DVDs, tapes and all other printed and electronic forms and media throughout the world, at any time during or after the period of her employment by the Company, for all legitimate commercial and business purposes of the Company ("Permitted Uses") without further consent from or royalty, payment or other compensation to the Executive. The Executive hereby forever waives and releases the Company and its directors, officers, employees and agents from any and all claims, actions, damages, losses, costs, expenses and liability of any kind, arising under any legal or equitable theory whatsoever at any time during or after the period of her employment by the Company, arising directly or indirectly from the Company's and its agents', representatives' and licensees' exercise of their rights in connection with any Permitted Uses.

J. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. <u>Trade Secrets</u>. During the Term, Executive will have access to and become acquainted with what Executive and the Bank acknowledge are trade secrets, to wit, knowledge or data concerning the Bank, including its operations and business, and the identity of customers of the Bank, including knowledge of their financial conditions their financial needs, as well as their methods of doing business. Executive shall not disclose any of the aforesaid trade secrets, directly or indirectly, or use them in any way, except as required in the course of Executive's employment with the Bank.
- 2. Covenant Not to Solicit Customers or Fellow Employees. If the Bank or the Executive terminates this Agreement for any reason, Executive agrees that for the period provided for severance payments in accordance with certain terminations pursuant to Article F hereof, Executive shall not solicit the banking business of any customer with whom the Bank or a subsidiary bank has done business during the preceding one-year period within a 50 mile radius of the City of Los Angeles, California. Executive further agrees not to solicit the services of any officer or employee of the Bank during such period.

The covenants contained in this Section J.2 shall be considered as a series of separate covenants, one for each political subdivision of California, and one for each entity or individual with respect to whom solicitation is prohibited. Except as provided in the previous sentence, each such

separate covenant shall be deemed identical in terms to the covenant contained in this Section J.2. If in any judicial proceeding a court refuses to enforce any of such separate covenants (or any part thereof), then such unenforceable covenant (or such part) shall be eliminated from this Agreement to the extent necessary to permit the remaining separate covenants (or portions thereof) to be enforced. In the event that a provision of this Section J.2 or any such separate covenant or portion thereof, is determined to exceed the time, geographic or scope limitations permitted by applicable law, then such provision shall be reformed to the maximum time, geographic or scope limitations, as the case may be, permitted by applicable law. Executive hereby consents, to the extent Executive may lawfully do so, to the judicial modification of this Agreement as described in this Section J.2.

In the event of a merger, where Bank is not the surviving corporation, or in the event of a consolidation, in the event of a transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of Bank, or in the event that the majority of the Bank's Board of Directors, as it exists as of the date of this Agreement, does not have control, the Executive shall be unconditionally released from all of his duties and obligations under this paragraph.

- 3. <u>Indemnification</u>. To the extent permitted by law, applicable statutes, the Bylaws or resolutions of the Bank in effect from time to time, the Bank shall indemnify Executive against liability or loss arising out of Executive's actual or asserted misfeasance or nonfeasance in the performance of Executive's duties or out of any actual or asserted wrongful act against, or by, the Bank including but not limited to judgments, fines, settlements and advancement of expenses incurred in the defense of actions, proceedings and appeals therefrom. The Bank shall endeavor to obtain Directors and Officers Liability Insurance to indemnify and insure the Bank and Executive from and against the aforesaid liabilities. The provisions of this paragraph shall apply to the estate, executor, administrator, heirs, legatees or devisees of Executive.
- 4. Return of Documents. Executive expressly agrees that all manuals, documents, files, reports, studies, instruments or other materials used and/or developed by Executive during the Term are solely the property of the Bank, and that Executive has no right, title or interest therein. Upon termination of this Agreement, Executive or Executive's representative shall promptly deliver possession of all of said property to the Bank in good condition.
- 5. <u>Notices</u>. Any notice, request, demand or other communication required or permitted hereunder shall be deemed to be properly given when personally served in writing, when deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, or when communicated to a public telegraph address appearing at the beginning of this Agreement. Either party may change its address by written notice in accordance with this paragraph.
 - 6. <u>California Law</u>. This Agreement is to be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of California.
- 7. <u>Captions and Paragraph Headings</u>. Captions and paragraph headings used herein are for convenience only and are not a part of this Agreement and shall not be used in construing it.
- 8. <u>Invalid Provisions</u>. Should any provision of this Agreement for any reason be declared invalid, the validity and binding effect of any remaining portion shall not be affected, and the remaining portions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect as if this Agreement had been executed with said provision eliminated.
- 9. Entire Agreement. This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties. It supersedes any and all other agreements, either oral or in writing, between the parties hereto with respect to the employment of Executive by the Bank. Each party to this Agreement acknowledges that no representations, inducements, promises, or agreements, oral or otherwise, have been made by any party, or anyone acting on behalf of any party, which are not embodied herein, and that no other agreement, statement, or promise not contained in this Agreement shall be valid or binding. This Agreement may not be modified or amended by oral agreement, but only by an agreement in writing signed by the Bank and Executive.
- 10. Receipt of Agreement. Each of the parties hereto acknowledges that it or he has read this Agreement in its entirety and does hereby acknowledge receipt of a fully executed copy thereof. A fully executed copy shall be an original for all purposes, and is a duplicate original.
- 11. Resolution of Disputes; Arbitration. In the event of any dispute, claim or controversy between the Executive and the Bank (or its directors, officers, employees or agents) arising out of this Agreement or the Executive's employment with the Bank, both Parties agree to submit such dispute, claim or controversy to final and binding arbitration under the Federal Arbitration Act, in conformity with the procedures of the California Arbitration Act (Cal. Code Civ. Proc. sec. 1280 et seq. ...). The arbitration will be conducted before the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") in accordance with the AAA Employment Arbitration Rules and Mediation Procedures. These rules are available at the AAA web site at: http://www.adr.org. The claims governed by this arbitration provision include, but are not limited to, claims for wages and other compensation, claims for breach of contract (express or implied), claims for violation of public policy, wrongful termination, wrongful demotion, tort claims, claims for fraud and misrepresentation, claims for unlawful discrimination, harassment, and/or

retaliation to the extent allowed by law, and claims for violation of any federal, state, or other government law, statute, regulation, or ordinance. The claims which are to be arbitrated under this agreement include claims under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the California Fair Employment and Housing Act and the California Labor Code.

- (a) The arbitration shall be conducted by a single arbitrator selected either by mutual agreement of the Executive and the Bank or, if they cannot agree, from an odd-numbered list of experienced employment law arbitrators provided by the AAA. Each Party shall strike one arbitrator from the list alternately until only one arbitrator remains.
 - (b) Each Party shall have the right to conduct reasonable discovery, as determined by the arbitrator.
- (c) The arbitrator shall have all powers conferred by law and a judgment may be entered on the award by a court of law having jurisdiction. The arbitrator shall render a written arbitration award that contains the essential findings and conclusions on which the award is based. The award and judgment shall be binding and final on both Parties, subject to such review as is authorized by law.
- (d) Either Party may bring an action to confirm the arbitration award in a court of competent jurisdiction. To the maximum extent permitted by law, the decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on the Parties to this Agreement and shall be subject to judicial review only to the extent provided by law.
- (e) The Parties shall share equally the costs of the arbitrator and the arbitration forum unless a different fee payment arrangement is otherwise required by applicable law to preserve the enforceability of this arbitration provision. Employer will pay the costs of the arbitrator and the arbitration forum to the extent required by applicable law to preserve the enforceability of this arbitration provision.

- (f) In the event litigation, mediation, or arbitration is commenced to enforce or construe any of the provisions of this Agreement, to recover damages for breach of any of the provisions of this Agreement, or to obtain declaratory relief in connection with any of the provisions of this Agreement, the prevailing Party shall, to the extent permitted by law without impairing the enforceability of the arbitration provision hereinabove, be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees and costs. In the event this Agreement is asserted, in any litigation, mediation, or arbitration, as a defense to any liability, claims, demands, actions, causes of action, or rights herein released or discharged, the prevailing Party on the issue of that defense shall, to the extent permitted by law without impairing the enforceability of the arbitration provision hereinabove, be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.
- (g) The Executive and the Bank understand that by signing this Agreement, they give up their right to a civil trial in a court of law and their right to a trial by jury.
- (h) This agreement to arbitrate does not apply to disputes or claims related to workers' compensation benefits, disputes or claims related to unemployment insurance benefits, unfair labor practice charges under the National Labor Relations Act, or disputes or claims that are expressly excluded from arbitration by statute or are expressly required to be arbitrated under a different procedure pursuant to an employee benefit plan.
- (i) This agreement to arbitrate does not prevent Executive from filing a charge or complaint with the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing, or the U.S. Equal Opportunity Commission. It also does not prevent Executive from participating in any investigation or proceeding conducted by an agency. However, if one of these agencies issues a right to sue notice, binding arbitration under this agreement will be Executive's sole remedy.
- (j) This agreement to arbitrate shall continue during the Employment Period and thereafter regarding any employment-related disputes.
- administered in accordance with Section 409A. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, payments provided under this Agreement may only be made upon an event and in a manner that complies with Section 409A or an applicable exemption. Any payments under this Agreement that may be excluded from Section 409A either as separation pay due to an involuntary separation from service or as a short-term deferral shall be excluded from Section 409A to the maximum extent possible. For purposes of Section 409A, each installment payment provided under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. For purposes of determining the timing of any payments to be made under this Agreement by reference to Executive's termination of employment, "termination" and "termination of employment" shall refer to Executive's "separation from service" as defined for purposes of Section 409A. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company makes no representations that the payments and benefits provided under this Agreement comply with Section 409A and in no event shall the Company be liable for all or any portion of any taxes, penalties, interest or other expenses that may be incurred by the Executive on account of non-compliance with Section 409A.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, if any payment or benefit provided to the Executive in connection with her termination of employment is determined to constitute "nonqualified deferred compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A and the Executive is determined to be a "specified employee" as defined in Section 409A(a)(2)(b)(i), then such payment or benefit shall be paid on the first payroll date to occur following the six-month anniversary of the Termination Date (the "Specified Employee Payment Date"). The aggregate of any payments that would otherwise have been paid before the Specified Employee Payment Date shall be paid to the Executive in a lump sum on the Specified Employee Payment Date and thereafter, any remaining payments shall be paid without delay in accordance with their original schedule.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Bank has caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized officer or representative and Executive has executed this Agreement to be effective as of the day and year first written above.

ROYAL BUSINESS BANK

/s/ Yee Phone (Alan) Thian Yee Phong (Alan) Thian Chairman of the Board

/s/ Pei-Chin (Peggy) Huang Pei-Chin (Peggy) Huang,

Secretary

RBB BANCORP

/s/ Yee Phong (Alan) Thian
By: Yee Phong (Alan) Thian,
Chairman of the Board

/s/ Pei-Chin (Peggy) Huang By: Pei-Chin (Peggy) Huang, Secretary

EXECUTIVE

/s/ Vincent (I-Ming) Liu Vincent (I-Ming) Liu

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

THIS EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT is effective as of April 12, 2017 between ROYAL BUSINESS BANK, a California state banking corporation (the "Bank"), RBB BANCORP, (the "Bancorp"), a California corporation, (collectively referred to as the "Company") with their principal offices at 660 South Figueroa, Suite 1888, Los Angeles, California 90017(hereinafter "Bank"), and JEFRREY YEH (hereinafter "Executive") whose present address is 1756 3rd Street, Manhattan Beach, California 90266. Executive may be carried on the records of the Bank as an employee and Executive's compensation shall be paid by the Bank, subject to the Bank's right of reimbursement from the Bancorp under other agreements to which the Executive is not a party.

A. TERM OF EMPLOYMENT

Subject to all necessary regulatory approvals, the Bank hereby employs Executive, and Executive hereby accepts employment with the Bank, for the three-year period (the "Term") commencing on April 13, 2017 (the "Effective Date") through April 12, 2020, subject however to prior termination as hereinafter provided. Where used herein, "Term" shall refer to the entire period of the employment of Executive by Bank hereunder, whether for the period provided above, or whether terminated earlier as hereinafter provided, or renewed as provided in the next paragraph.

The term hereof shall be automatically renewed for successive one (1) year periods (the "Extended Term"), unless written notice is given and received not less than three (3) months prior to the end of the Initial Term of the intention of either party not to renew the same. The term for which Executive is employed hereunder (which includes the Initial Term and, if renewed, the Extended Term) is hereinafter referred to as the "Term."

B. DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE

- 1. <u>Duties</u>. Executive's duties under his Employment Agreement include all ordinary and reasonable duties customarily performed by the full-time Chief Credit Officer, subject to the powers by law vested in the Board of Directors of the Bank and in the Bank's shareholders. As such, Executive shall oversee all operational aspects of the business and activities of the Bank. Executive shall render his services to the Bank and shall exercise such corporate responsibilities as Executive may be directed by the President and Chief Executive Officer, and Executive shall perform his duties faithfully, diligently and to the best of his ability, consistent with the highest and best standards of the banking industry and in compliance with applicable laws and the Bank's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.
- 2. <u>Conflicts of Interest</u>. Executive expressly agrees as a condition to the performance by Bank of its obligations herein that during the term of his Agreement and of any renewals hereof, he will not, directly or indirectly, render any services of an advisory nature or otherwise to or become employed by or participate or engage in any business competitive with any businesses of the Bank, without the prior written consent of the Bank, however, that nothing herein shall prohibit Executive from owning stock or other securities of a competitor which are relatively insubstantial to the total outstanding

stock of such competitor, and so long as he in fact does not have the power to control or direct the management or policies of such competitor and does not serve as a director or officer of, and is not otherwise associated with, any competitor except as consented to by the Bank. Nothing contained herein shall preclude substantially passive investments by Executive during the Term that may require nominal amounts of his time, energies and interest.

3. <u>Performance</u>. Except as provided in paragraph G.2. herein, Executive after the Effective Date shall devote substantially his full energies, interests, abilities and productive time to the business of the Bank. Executive shall at all times loyally and conscientiously perform all of these duties and obligations hereunder and shall at all times strictly adhere to and obey, and instruct and require all that work under and with him strictly to adhere and obey, all applicable federal and state laws, statutes, rules and regulations to the end that the Bank shall at all times be in full compliance with such laws, statutes, rules and regulations.

C. COMPENSATION

- 1. <u>Salary.</u> In consideration of the performance by Executive of all of his obligations under this Agreement, the Bank agrees to pay Executive during the Term hereof a base salary of \$184,788 per year from the date of commencement of his Agreement for each year of the Term. The Board of Directors may elect to adjust upward the base annual salary and other compensation of Executive from time to time, at its sole discretion. The Executive's salary shall be reviewed at least annually by the Board of Directors which may, but shall not be required to, increase the salary during the Employment Term.
- 2. <u>Bonuses</u>. During the term of this Agreement, Executive may receive such bonuses, if any, as the Board of Directors in it sole discretion shall determine.
- 3. <u>Stock Options/Stock Awards</u>. The Board of Directors of the Bancorp in its sole discretion intends to grant to Executive a Stock Option/Stock Award (the "Award"). If Executive's employment is terminated for any reason other than for cause or voluntarily by Executive, Executive's then vested Awards shall be exercisable over the remaining term of the Awards, subject to acceleration in specified circumstances. The remaining terms and conditions of the Awards shall be governed by the Bancorp's Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan and Executive's Stock Award Agreement.
- 4. <u>Claw-back Provisions</u>. Notwithstanding any other provisions in this Agreement to the contrary, any incentive-based compensation, or any other compensation, paid to the Executive pursuant to this Agreement or any other agreement or arrangement with the Company which is subject to recovery under any law, government regulation or stock exchange listing requirement, will be subject to such deductions and claw-back as may be required to be made pursuant to such law, government regulation or stock exchange listing requirement (or any policy adopted by the Company pursuant to any such law, government regulation or stock exchange listing requirement).

D. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

1. <u>Vacation</u>. Executive shall be entitled to a vacation each year during the Term, which vacation shall be four (4) weeks, subject to preapproval by the Board of Directors. Executive further agrees that he will not take the entire four (4) weeks of vacation consecutively, and that he will not take any vacation at times which would be detrimental to the interests of the Bank. Any vacation time not used shall not accumulate, and Executive and the Bank shall conform to the Bank's Human Resources policy then in effect concerning vacations.

- 2. <u>Travel Expense.</u> During the Term hereunder, the Bank shall provide Executive with an automobile paid by the Bank, with the make and model determined by the Bank, at a cost of not more than \$1,500 per month, plus the Bank shall reimburse Executive for all insurance, gasoline, oil, vehicle maintenance, any applicable federal and/or state income tax, as well as any other transportation expenses, including train and taxi expenses. During the Term hereunder, the Board of Directors would be willing to reanalyze the monthly allowance if Executive's actual and reasonable costs are significantly in excess of the monthly allowance.
- 3. <u>Group Medical and Life Insurance Benefits</u>. The Bank will provide Executive and Executive's immediate family, and pay for, participation in medical, dental, vision, accident and health benefits as provided to other officers and employees of the Bank, and appropriate life and disability insurance, as long as Executive is insurable at a normal premium payment. The Bank's liability to Executive for any breach of this paragraph shall be limited to the amount of premiums payable by the Bank to obtain the coverage contemplated herein.
- 4. <u>Salary Continuation Plan and Other Plans</u>. During the Term, Executive shall be eligible to participate in any pension or profit-sharing plan, deferred compensation plan, salary continuation plan, stock purchase plan, or similar benefit or retirement program of the Bank as approved by the Board of Directors now or hereafter existing, to the extent that he is eligible under the provisions thereof and commensurate with his position in relationship to other participants.

E. REIMBURSEMENT FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES

Executive shall be entitled to reimbursement by the Bank for any ordinary and necessary business expenses incurred by Executive in the performance of Executive's duties and in acting for the Bank during the Term, which type of expenditures shall be determined by the Board of Directors, provided that:

- (a) Each such expenditure is of a nature qualifying it as a proper deduction on the federal and state income tax returns of the Bank as a business expense and not as deductible compensation to Executive; and
- (b) Executive furnishes to the Bank adequate records and other documentary evidence required by federal and state statutes and regulations issued by the appropriate taxing authorities for the substantiation of such expenditures as deductible business expenses of the Bank and not as deductible compensation to Executive.

Upon timely presentation to the Bank of necessary and proper documentation in accordance with the Regulations of the Internal Revenue Service, the Bank will reimburse Executive for any necessary, usual, customary and reasonable business expenses incurred by Executive in connection with his position or for the Bank's benefit, including the costs of cellular phone service related to the Bank's business.

Any expenses of Executive for his activities in industry association groups, or other business, industry, civic, or charitable organizations, that are not reimbursed by those organizations, will be reimbursed by the Bank to Executive upon presentation of proper documentation.

F. TERMINATION

Notwithstanding any and all other provisions of this Agreement to the contrary, Executive's employment hereunder may be terminated:

- 1. Without Cause. In the sole and absolute discretion of the Board of Directors for any cause whatsoever; provided, however, that if such termination occurs during the Term and is for any cause other than any more particularly described in Sections F.2. or F.3. hereof, Executive shall receive severance payment in an amount equal to twelve (12) months of his then current annual salary, payable in installments on the normal payroll dates of the Bank, in full and complete satisfaction of any and all rights which Executive may enjoy hereunder other than the right, if any, to exercise any of the Awards vested prior to such termination. In order to qualify for the severance benefit, Executive must execute a general release in favor of the Bank and its officers, directors, employees, shareholders, attorneys, agents and all other related parties.
- 2. <u>Disability or Death</u>. Upon Executive's physical or mental disability to continue his duties hereunder as the Chief Credit Officer of the Bank; provided, however, that if such termination occurs as a result of such disability, Executive shall receive severance payment in an amount equal to three (3) months of the annual base salary in effect hereunder at the date of such termination in full and complete satisfaction of any and all rights which Executive might enjoy hereunder other than the right, if any, to exercise any of the Awards vested prior to such termination, less any payments received from any Bank provided benefit, including worker's compensation, FICA or disability insurance. For purposes of this Agreement, physical or mental disability shall be defined as Executive being unable to fully perform under this Agreement for a continuous period of 90 days, and reasonably accommodate for that disability as required by the Americans with Disability Act of 1990.

Upon Executive's death; provided, however, Executive's estate shall receive the payment in an amount equal to three (3) months of the annual base salary in effect hereunder at the date of such termination in full and complete satisfaction of any and all rights which Executive might enjoy hereunder other than the right, if any, to exercise any of the Awards vested prior to such termination.

- 3. <u>For Cause</u>. The Bank may terminate immediately this Agreement without any further obligation or liability whatsoever to Executive, if:
 - (a) Executive engages in misconduct or is negligent in the performance of his material duties hereunder; or
- (b) Executive is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to any felony, or is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to any misdemeanor involving moral turpitude; or
- (c) Bank is required to remove or replace Executive by formal order or formal instruction, including a requested consent order or agreement, from the DFI or Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") or any other regulatory authority having jurisdiction; or
 - (d) Executive has failed to perform or habitually neglected Executive's duties; or
- (e) Executive has failed to follow any valid and legal written policy of the Board of Directors, any resolutions of the Board adopted at a duly called meeting or any instructions from the Board of Directors or President and Chief Executive Officer; or

- (f) Due to Executive's lack of care or negligence, the Bank receives a Section 8(a) Order from the FDIC, a Section 8(b) Order from the FDIC, or a Section 1912 or 1913 Order from the DFI; or
 - (g) Executive's engagement in dishonesty, illegal conduct

or gross misconduct; or

(h) Executive's willful unauthorized disclosure of

Confidential Information (as defined below); or

(i) Executive's breach of any obligation under this Agreement or any other written agreement between the Executive and the Company; or

(j) any failure by the Executive to comply with the Company's written policies or rules, as they may be in effect from time to time during the Employment Term, if such failure causes material harm to the Company.

Any termination under this paragraph F.3 shall not prejudice any remedy which Bank may otherwise have at law, in equity, or under this Agreement.

4. Change of Control

(a) Except for termination for Cause (pursuant to Section F.3 hereof), disability or death (pursuant to Section F.2 hereof), after the occurrence of a Change in Control (as defined below) and in no other event, if Executive's employment with the Bank is materially adversely altered or Executive is not retained by the Bank or the surviving bank or company, Executive shall be entitled to receive severance payment in the amount equal to six (6) months of Executive's then current annual salary. Such payment shall terminate this Agreement in all respects, but shall not prohibit Executive from continuing as an employee under a new agreement with the Bank or a successor bank.

A material adverse alteration in employee status would mean (i) a material breach by the Bank of its obligations under this Agreement, (ii) a change in Executive's status or position or responsibilities as Chief Credit Officer of the Bank which represents a demotion from his status, title, position and responsibilities, or the assignment to him of any significant duties which are inconsistent with such status, title or position, or (iii) a reduction by the Bank in his base annual salary, or (iv) requiring him to be based anywhere other than the greater Los Angeles area.

The Executive cannot terminate his employment for a material adverse alteration in employee status unless he has provided written notice to the Company of the existence of the circumstances providing grounds for termination for Good Reason within thirty (30) days of the initial existence or occurrence of such grounds and the Company has had at least (30) days from the date on which such notice is provided to cure such circumstances. If the Executive does not terminate his employment for Good Reason within seventy-five (75) days after the first occurrence of the applicable grounds, then the Executive will be deemed to have waived his right to terminate for Good Reason with respect to such grounds.

- (b) A "Change in Control" shall be deemed to have occurred if the conditions set forth in any one of the following paragraphs shall have been satisfied:
- (i) any "person" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") (other than the Bank; any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Bank; any entity owned, directly or indirectly, by the stockholders of the Bank in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of the stock of the Bank) is or becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of securities of the Bank (not including in the securities beneficially owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from the Bank or its affiliates) representing 25% or more of the combined voting power of the Bank's then outstanding securities; or
- (ii) the stockholders of the Bank approve a merger or consolidation of the Bank with any other corporation, other than (A) a merger or consolidation which would result in the voting securities of the Bank outstanding immediately prior thereto continuing to represent (either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of the surviving entity), in combination with the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Bank, at least 75% of the combined voting power of the voting securities of the Bank or such surviving entity outstanding immediately after such merger or consolidation, or (B) a merger or consolidation effected to implement a recapitalization of the Bank (or similar transaction) in which no person acquires more than 50% of the combined voting power of the Bank's then outstanding securities; or

(iii) the stockholders of the Bank approve a plan of complete liquidation of the Bank or an agreement for the sale or disposition by the Bank of all or substantially all the Bank's assets.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Change in Control shall not include (A) any event, circumstances or transaction that results from the action of any entity or group that includes, is affiliated with, or is wholly or partly controlled by Executive (e.g., a management-led buyout), or (B) the repurchase by the Bank or the redemption directly or indirectly, of securities of the Bank representing 50% or more of the combined voting power of the Bank's then outstanding securities.

The Executive cannot terminate his employment for a material adverse alteration in employee status unless he has provided written notice to the Company of the existence of the circumstances providing grounds for termination for Good Reason within thirty (30) days of the initial existence or occurrence of such grounds and the Company has had at least (30) days from the date on which such notice is provided to cure such circumstances. If the Executive does not terminate his employment for Good Reason within seventy-five (75) days after the first occurrence of the applicable grounds, then the Executive will be deemed to have waived his right to terminate for Good Reason with respect to such grounds.

5. Release. As a condition to Executive receiving any payments pursuant to Sections F.1, F.2, and F.4 hereof, Executive will execute and deliver a general release to the Bank, releasing the Bank, its employees, officers, directors, stockholders and agents, and each person who controls any of them within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, from any and all claims (other than claims with respect to payments pursuant to such Sections) from the beginning of time to the date of termination.

6. Supervisory Matters.

(a) If the Executive is suspended and/or temporarily prohibited from participating in the conduct of the Bank's or the Bancorp's affairs by notice served under Section 8(e)(3) or 8(g)(1) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. Section 1818(e)(3) and (g)(1)), the obligations of the Company under this Agreement shall be suspended as of the date of service, unless stayed by appropriate proceedings. If the charges in the notice are dismissed, the Company may, in its discretion: (i) pay the Executive all or part of the compensation withheld while its obligations under this Agreement were suspended; and (ii) reinstate (in whole or in part) any of its obligations which were suspended. If the Executive is removed and/or permanently prohibited from participating in the conduct of the Bank's or the Bancorp's affairs by an order issued under Section 8(e) (3) or 8(g)(1) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. Section 1818(e)(3) or (g)(1)), all obligations of the Company under this Agreement shall terminate as of the effective date of the order, but vested rights of the parties shall not be affected. If the Company is in default (as defined in Section 3(x)(1) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. Section 1813(x)(1)), all obligations under this Agreement shall terminate as of the date of default, but vested rights of the parties shall not be affected. All obligations under this Agreement shall be terminated, except to the extent that it is determined that continuation of the Agreement is necessary for the continued operation of the Company; (i) by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at the time that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation enters into an agreement to provide assistance to or on behalf of the Bank under the authority contained in Section 11 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. Section 1821); or (ii) by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the Federal Reserve Board, at the time that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the Federal Reserve Board approves a supervisory merger to resolve problems related to the operation of the Bancorp or when the Company is in an unsafe or unsound condition. All rights of the parties that have already vested, however, shall not be affected by such action.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the obligation to make payment of any severance benefits as provided herein (including without limitation, any payment contemplated under Section F.4), is conditioned upon (i) the Company and/or Bank obtaining any necessary approval from the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and/or the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and (ii) compliance with applicable law, including 12 C.F.R. Part 359. In addition, the Executive covenants and agrees that the Company and its successors and assigns shall have the right to demand the return of any "golden parachute payments" (as defined in 12 C.F.R. Part

359) in the event that any of them obtain information indicating that the Executive committed, is substantially responsible for, or has violated, the respective acts or omissions, conditions, or offenses contained in 12 C.F.R. § 359.4(a)(4), and the Executive shall promptly return any such "golden parachute payment" upon such demand.

(7) Section 280G.

- (i) If any of the payments or benefits received or to be received by the Executive (including, without limitation, any payment or benefits received in connection with a Change in Control or the Executive's termination of employment, whether pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or any other plan, arrangement or agreement, or otherwise) (all such payments collectively referred to herein as the "280G Payments") constitute "parachute payments" within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code and would, but for this Section F.(7), be subject to the excise tax imposed under Section 4999 of the Code (the "Excise Tax"), then such 280G Payments shall be reduced (by the minimum possible amounts) in a manner determined by the Company that is consistent with the requirements of Section 409A, until no amount payable to the Executive will be subject to the Excise Tax. If two economically equivalent amounts are subject to reduction but are payable at different times, the amounts shall be reduced (but not below zero) on a pro rata basis.
- (ii) All calculations and determinations under this Section F.(7) shall be made by an independent accounting firm or independent tax counsel appointed by the Company (the "Tax Counsel") whose determinations shall be conclusive and binding on the Company and the Executive for all purposes. For purposes of making the calculations and determinations required by this Section F.(7), the Tax Counsel may rely on reasonable, good faith assumptions and approximations concerning the application of Section 280G and Section 4999 of the Code. The Company and the Executive shall furnish the Tax Counsel with such information and documents as the Tax Counsel may reasonably request in order to make its determinations under this Section F.(7). The Company shall bear all costs the Tax Counsel may reasonably incur in connection with its services.

G. Confidential Information Defined.

(a) Definition.

For purposes of this Agreement, "Confidential Information" includes, but is not limited to, all information not generally known to the public, in spoken, printed, electronic or any other form or medium, relating directly or indirectly to: business processes, practices, methods, policies, plans, documents, operations, services, strategies, agreements, contracts, terms of agreements, transactions, potential transactions, negotiations, trade secrets, policy manuals, records, vendor information, financial information, results, accounting records, legal information, marketing information, pricing information, credit information, payroll information, staffing information, personnel information, employee lists, supplier lists, vendor lists, reports, internal controls, security procedures, market studies, sales information, revenue, costs, notes, communications, product plans, ideas, customer information, customer lists, of the Company or its businesses or any existing or prospective customer, supplier, investor or other associated third party, or of any other person or entity that has entrusted information to the Company in confidence.

The Executive understands that the above list is not exhaustive, and that Confidential Information also includes other information that is marked or otherwise identified as confidential or proprietary, or that would otherwise appear to a reasonable person to be confidential or proprietary in the context and circumstances in which the information is known or used.

The Executive understands and agrees that Confidential Information includes information developed by him in the course of his employment by the Company as if the Company furnished the same Confidential Information to the Executive in the first instance. Confidential Information shall not include information that: (i) is generally available to and known by the public at the time of disclosure to the Executive; provided that, such disclosure is through no direct or indirect fault of the Executive or person(s) acting on the Executive's behalf; (ii) becomes available on a non-confidential basis from a source other than a party to this Agreement or a representative of a party to this Agreement, provided that such source is not bound by a confidentiality agreement with a party or otherwise prohibited from transmitting the information by a contractual, legal or fiduciary obligation, (iii) is disclosed in accordance with an order of a court of competent jurisdiction or applicable law.

(b) Company Creation and Use of Confidential Information.

The Executive understands and acknowledges that the Company has invested, and continues to invest, substantial time, money and specialized knowledge into developing its resources, creating a customer base, generating customer and potential customer lists, training its employees, and improving its product offerings in the field of financial services. The Executive understands and acknowledges that as a result of these efforts, the Company has created, and continues to use and create Confidential Information. This Confidential Information provides the Company with a competitive advantage over others in the marketplace.

(c) <u>Disclosure and Use Restrictions</u>.

The Executive agrees and covenants: (i) to treat all Confidential Information as strictly confidential; (ii) not to directly or indirectly disclose, publish, communicate or make available Confidential Information, or allow it to be disclosed, published, communicated or made available, in whole or part, to any entity or person whatsoever (including other employees of the Company) not having a need to know and authority to know and use the Confidential Information in connection with the business of the Company and, in any event, not to anyone outside of the direct employ of the Company except as required in the performance of the Executive's authorized employment duties to the Company in each instance (and then, such disclosure shall be made only within the limits and to the extent of such duties; and (iii) not to access or use any Confidential Information, and not to copy any documents, records, files, media or other resources from the premises or control of the Company, except as required in the performance of the Executive's authorized employment duties to the Company acting on behalf of the Company in each instance (and then, such disclosure shall be made only within the limits and to the extent of such duties). Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent disclosure of Confidential Information as may be required by applicable law or regulation, or pursuant to the valid order of a court of competent jurisdiction or an authorized government agency, provided that the disclosure does not exceed the extent of disclosure required by such law, regulation or order. The Executive shall promptly provide written notice of any such order to the Company's General Counsel.

The Executive understands and acknowledges that her obligations under this Agreement with regard to any particular Confidential Information shall commence immediately upon the Executive first having access to such Confidential Information (whether before or after he began employment by the Company) and shall continue during and after his employment by the Company until such time as such Confidential Information has become public knowledge other than as a result of the Executive's breach of this Agreement or breach by those acting in concert with the Executive or on the Executive's behalf.

H. Security.

- (a) <u>Security and Access</u>. The Executive agrees and covenants (a) to comply with all Company security policies and procedures as in force from time to time including, without limitation, those regarding computer equipment, telephone systems, voicemail systems, facilities access, monitoring, key cards, access codes, Company intranet, internet, social media and instant messaging systems, computer systems, e-mail systems, computer networks, document storage systems, software, data security, encryption, firewalls, and passwords ("Facilities Information Technology and Access Resources"); (b) not to access or use any Facilities Information Technology and Access Resources except as authorized by the Company; and (iii) not to access or use any Facilities Information Technology and Access Resources in any manner after the termination of the Executive's employment by the Company, whether termination is voluntary or involuntary. The Executive agrees to notify the Company promptly in the event she learns of any violation of the foregoing by others, or of any other misappropriation or unauthorized access, use, reproduction or reverse engineering of, or tampering with any Facilities Information Technology and Access Resources or other Company property or materials by others.
- (b) Exit Obligations. Upon (a) voluntary or involuntary termination of the Executive's employment or (b) the Company's request at any time during the Executive's employment, the Executive shall (i) provide or return to the Company and all Company property, including keys, key cards, access cards, identification cards, security devices, employer credit cards, network access devices, computers, cell phones, smartphones, PDAs, pagers, fax machines, equipment, manuals, reports, files, books, compilations, e-mail messages, recordings, disks, thumb drives or other removable information storage devices, hard drives, data and all Company documents and materials belonging to the Company and stored in any fashion, including but not limited to those that constitute or contain any Confidential Information, that are in the possession or control of the Executive, whether they were provided to the Executive by the Company or any of its business associates or created by the Executive in connection with her employment by the Company; and (ii) delete or destroy all copies of any such documents and materials not returned to the Company that remain in the Executive's possession or control, including those stored on any non-Company devices, networks, storage locations and media in the Executive's possession or control.
- I. <u>Publicity.</u> The Executive hereby irrevocably consents to any and all uses and displays, by the Company and its agents, representatives and licensees, of the Executive's name, voice, likeness, image, appearance and biographical information in, on or in connection with any pictures, photographs, audio and video recordings, digital images, websites, television programs and advertising, other advertising and publicity, sales and marketing brochures, books, magazines, other publications, CDs, DVDs, tapes and all other printed and electronic forms and media throughout the world, at any time during or after the period of her employment by the Company, for all legitimate commercial and business purposes of the Company ("Permitted Uses") without further consent from or royalty, payment or other compensation to the Executive. The Executive hereby forever waives and releases the Company and its directors, officers, employees and agents from any and all claims, actions, damages, losses, costs, expenses and liability of any kind, arising under any legal or equitable theory whatsoever at any time during or after the period of her employment by the Company, arising directly or indirectly from the Company's and its agents', representatives' and licensees' exercise of their rights in connection with any Permitted Uses.

J. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. <u>Trade Secrets</u>. During the Term, Executive will have access to and become acquainted with what Executive and the Bank acknowledge are trade secrets, to wit, knowledge or data concerning the Bank, including its operations and business, and the identity of customers of the Bank, including knowledge of their financial conditions their financial needs, as well as their methods of doing business. Executive shall not disclose any of the aforesaid trade secrets, directly or indirectly, or use them in any way, except as required in the course of Executive's employment with the Bank.
- 2. Covenant Not to Solicit Customers or Fellow Employees. If the Bank or the Executive terminates this Agreement for any reason, Executive agrees that for the period provided for severance payments in accordance with certain terminations pursuant to Article F hereof, Executive shall not solicit the banking business of any customer with whom the Bank or a subsidiary bank has done business during the preceding one-year period within a 50 mile radius of the City of Los Angeles, California. Executive further agrees not to solicit the services of any officer or employee of the Bank during such period.

The covenants contained in this Section J.2 shall be considered as a series of separate covenants, one for each political subdivision of California, and one for each entity or individual with respect to whom solicitation is prohibited. Except as provided in the previous sentence, each such separate covenant shall be deemed identical in terms to the covenant contained in this Section J.2. If in any judicial proceeding a court refuses to enforce any of such separate covenants (or any part thereof), then such unenforceable covenant (or such part) shall be eliminated from this Agreement to the extent necessary to permit the remaining separate covenants (or portions thereof) to be enforced. In the event that a provision of this Section J.2 or any such separate covenant or portion thereof, is determined to exceed the time, geographic or scope limitations permitted by applicable law, then such provision shall be reformed to the maximum time, geographic or scope limitations, as the case may be, permitted by applicable law. Executive hereby consents, to the extent Executive may lawfully do so, to the judicial modification of this Agreement as described in this Section J.2.

In the event of a merger, where Bank is not the surviving corporation, or in the event of a consolidation, in the event of a transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of Bank, or in the event that the majority of the Bank's Board of Directors, as it exists as of the date of this Agreement, does not have control, the Executive shall be unconditionally released from all of his duties and obligations under this paragraph.

- 3. <u>Indemnification</u>. To the extent permitted by law, applicable statutes, the Bylaws or resolutions of the Bank in effect from time to time, the Bank shall indemnify Executive against liability or loss arising out of Executive's actual or asserted misfeasance or nonfeasance in the performance of Executive's duties or out of any actual or asserted wrongful act against, or by, the Bank including but not limited to judgments, fines, settlements and advancement of expenses incurred in the defense of actions, proceedings and appeals therefrom. The Bank shall endeavor to obtain Directors and Officers Liability Insurance to indemnify and insure the Bank and Executive from and against the aforesaid liabilities. The provisions of this paragraph shall apply to the estate, executor, administrator, heirs, legatees or devisees of Executive.
- 4. Return of Documents. Executive expressly agrees that all manuals, documents, files, reports, studies, instruments or other materials used and/or developed by Executive during the Term are solely the property of the Bank, and that Executive has no right, title or interest therein. Upon termination of this Agreement, Executive or Executive's representative shall promptly deliver possession of all of said property to the Bank in good condition.
- 5. <u>Notices</u>. Any notice, request, demand or other communication required or permitted hereunder shall be deemed to be properly given when personally served in writing, when deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, or when communicated to a public telegraph address appearing at the beginning of this Agreement. Either party may change its address by written notice in accordance with this paragraph.
 - 6. <u>California Law</u>. This Agreement is to be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of California.
- 7. <u>Captions and Paragraph Headings</u>. Captions and paragraph headings used herein are for convenience only and are not a part of this Agreement and shall not be used in construing it.
- 8. <u>Invalid Provisions</u>. Should any provision of this Agreement for any reason be declared invalid, the validity and binding effect of any remaining portion shall not be affected, and the remaining portions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect as if this Agreement had been executed with said provision eliminated.
- 9. Entire Agreement. This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties. It supersedes any and all other agreements, either oral or in writing, between the parties hereto with respect to the employment of Executive by the Bank. Each party to this Agreement acknowledges that no representations, inducements, promises, or agreements, oral or otherwise, have been made by any party, or anyone acting on behalf of any party, which are not embodied herein, and that no other agreement, statement, or promise not contained in this Agreement shall be valid or binding. This Agreement may not be modified or amended by oral agreement, but only by an agreement in writing signed by the Bank and Executive.
- 10. Receipt of Agreement. Each of the parties hereto acknowledges that it or he has read this Agreement in its entirety and does hereby acknowledge receipt of a fully executed copy thereof. A fully executed copy shall be an original for all purposes, and is a duplicate original.
- 11. Resolution of Disputes; Arbitration. In the event of any dispute, claim or controversy between the Executive and the Bank (or its directors, officers, employees or agents) arising out of this Agreement or the Executive's employment with the Bank, both Parties agree to submit such dispute, claim or controversy to final and binding arbitration under the Federal Arbitration Act, in conformity with the procedures of the California Arbitration Act (Cal. Code Civ. Proc. sec. 1280 et seq. ...). The arbitration will be conducted before the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") in accordance with the AAA Employment Arbitration Rules and Mediation Procedures. These rules are available at the AAA web site at: http://www.adr.org. The claims governed by this arbitration provision include, but are not limited to, claims for wages and other compensation, claims for breach of contract (express or implied), claims for violation of public policy, wrongful termination, wrongful demotion, tort claims, claims for fraud and misrepresentation, claims for unlawful discrimination, harassment, and/or retaliation to the extent allowed by law, and claims for violation of any federal, state, or other government law, statute, regulation, or ordinance. The claims which are to be arbitrated under this agreement include claims under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the California Fair Employment and Housing Act and the California Labor Code.
- (a) The arbitration shall be conducted by a single arbitrator selected either by mutual agreement of the Executive and the Bank or, if they cannot agree, from an odd-numbered list of experienced employment law arbitrators provided by the AAA. Each Party shall strike one arbitrator from the list alternately until only one arbitrator remains.
 - (b) Each Party shall have the right to conduct reasonable discovery, as determined by the arbitrator.
- (c) The arbitrator shall have all powers conferred by law and a judgment may be entered on the award by a court of law having jurisdiction. The arbitrator shall render a written arbitration award that contains the essential findings and conclusions on which the award is based. The award and judgment shall be binding and final on both Parties, subject to such review as is authorized by law.
- (d) Either Party may bring an action to confirm the arbitration award in a court of competent jurisdiction. To the maximum extent permitted by law, the decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on the Parties to this Agreement and shall be subject to judicial review only to the extent provided by law.
- (e) The Parties shall share equally the costs of the arbitrator and the arbitration forum unless a different fee payment arrangement is otherwise required by applicable law to preserve the enforceability of this arbitration provision. Employer will pay the costs of the arbitrator and the arbitration forum to the extent required by applicable law to preserve the enforceability of this arbitration provision.
- (f) In the event litigation, mediation, or arbitration is commenced to enforce or construe any of the provisions of this Agreement, to recover damages for breach of any of the provisions of this Agreement, or to obtain declaratory relief in connection with any of the provisions of this Agreement, the prevailing Party shall, to the extent permitted by law without impairing the enforceability of the arbitration provision hereinabove, be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees and costs. In the event this Agreement is asserted, in any litigation, mediation, or arbitration, as a defense to any liability, claims, demands, actions, causes of action, or rights herein released or discharged, the prevailing Party on the issue of that defense shall, to the extent permitted by law without impairing the enforceability of the arbitration provision hereinabove, be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.

- (g) The Executive and the Bank understand that by signing this Agreement, they give up their right to a civil trial in a court of law and their right to a trial by jury.
- (h) This agreement to arbitrate does not apply to disputes or claims related to workers' compensation benefits, disputes or claims related to unemployment insurance benefits, unfair labor practice charges under the National Labor Relations Act, or disputes or claims that are expressly excluded from arbitration by statute or are expressly required to be arbitrated under a different procedure pursuant to an employee benefit plan.
- (i) This agreement to arbitrate does not prevent Executive from filing a charge or complaint with the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing, or the U.S. Equal Opportunity Commission. It also does not prevent Executive from participating in any investigation or proceeding conducted by an agency. However, if one of these agencies issues a right to sue notice, binding arbitration under this agreement will be Executive's sole remedy.
- (j) This agreement to arbitrate shall continue during the Employment Period and thereafter regarding any employment-related disputes.
- 12. Section 409A. This Agreement is intended to comply with Section 409A or an exemption thereunder and shall be construed and administered in accordance with Section 409A. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, payments provided under this Agreement may only be made upon an event and in a manner that complies with Section 409A or an applicable exemption. Any payments under this Agreement that may be excluded from Section 409A either as separation pay due to an involuntary separation from service or as a short-term deferral shall be excluded from Section 409A to the maximum extent possible. For purposes of Section 409A, each installment payment provided under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. For purposes of determining the timing of any payments to be made under this Agreement by reference to Executive's termination of employment, "termination" and "termination of employment" shall refer to Executive's "separation from service" as defined for purposes of Section 409A. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company makes no representations that the payments and benefits provided under this Agreement comply with Section 409A and in no event shall the Company be liable for all or any portion of any taxes, penalties, interest or other expenses that may be incurred by the Executive on account of non-compliance with Section 409A.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, if any payment or benefit provided to the Executive in connection with her termination of employment is determined to constitute "nonqualified deferred compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A and the Executive is determined to be a "specified employee" as defined in Section 409A(a)(2)(b)(i), then such payment or benefit shall be paid on the first payroll date to occur following the six-month anniversary of the Termination Date (the "Specified Employee Payment Date"). The aggregate of any payments that would otherwise have been paid before the Specified Employee Payment Date shall be paid to the Executive in a lump sum on the Specified Employee Payment Date and thereafter, any remaining payments shall be paid without delay in accordance with their original schedule.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Bank has caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized officer or representative and Executive has executed this Agreement to be effective as of the day and year first written above.

ROYAL BUSINESS BANK

/s/ Yee Phone (Alan) Thian Yee Phong (Alan) Thian Chairman of the Board

By: <u>/s/ Pei-Chin (Peggy) Huang</u> Pei-Chin (Peggy) Huang,

Secretary

RBB BANCORP

/s/ Yee Phong (Alan) Thian
By: Yee Phong (Alan) Thian,
Chairman of the Board

/s/ Pei-Chin (Peggy) Huang
By: Pei-Chin (Peggy) Huang,
Secretary

EXECUTIVE

/s/ Jeffrey Yeh

Jeffrey Yeh

RBB BANCORP

AWARD AGREEMENT FOR EMPLOYEES - RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS

UNDER THE 2017 OMNIBUS STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN

THIS AWARD AGREEMENT FOR EMPLOYEES – RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS (this "Agreement"), dated as of	_, is between
RBB Bancorp, a California corporation (the "Company"), and the individual identified on the signature page hereof (the "Participant").	

BACKGROUND

- A. The Participant is currently an employee of the Company or one of its Subsidiaries.
- B. The Company desires to (i) provide the Participant with an incentive to remain in the employ of the Company or one of its Subsidiaries, and (ii) increase the Participant's interest in the success of the Company by granting restricted stock units (the "Restricted Stock Units") to the Participant.
- C. The grant of the Restricted Stock Units is (i) made pursuant to the RBB Bancorp Amended and Restated 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan"), (ii) made subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and (iii) not employment compensation nor an employment right and is made in the discretion of the Company's Compensation Committee.
- NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound, agree as follows:
- 1. <u>Definitions; Incorporation of Plan Terms</u>. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement without definition shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Plan. This Agreement and the Restricted Stock Units shall be subject to the Plan. The terms of the Plan are incorporated into this Agreement by reference. If there is a conflict or an inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement, the Plan shall govern. The Participant hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of the Plan.

2. Grant of Restricted Stock Units.

- (a) Subject to the provisions of this Agreement and pursuant to the provisions of the Plan, the Company hereby grants to the Participant the number of Restricted Stock Units specified on the signature page of this Agreement. The Company shall credit to a bookkeeping account (the "Account") maintained by the Company, or a third party on behalf of the Company, for the Participant's benefit the Restricted Stock Units, each of which shall be deemed to be the equivalent of one share of the Company's common stock, no par value per share (each, a "Share").
- (b) If and whenever any cash dividends are declared on the Shares, on the date such dividend is paid, the Company will credit to the Account a number of additional Restricted Stock Units equal to the result of dividing (i) the product of the total number of Restricted Stock Units credited to the Account on the record date for such dividend (other than previously settled or forfeited Restricted Stock Units) times the per Share amount of such dividend, by (ii) the Fair Market Value of one Share on the record date for such dividend. The additional Restricted Stock Units shall be or become vested to the same extent as the Restricted Stock Units that resulted in the crediting of such additional Restricted Stock Units.
- (c) If and whenever the Company declares and pays a dividend or distribution on the Shares in the form of additional shares, or there occurs a forward split of Shares, then a number of additional Restricted Units shall be credited to the Account as of the payment date for such dividend or distribution or forward split equal to (i) the total number of Restricted Stock Units credited to the Account on the record date for such dividend or distribution or split (other than previously settled or forfeited Restricted Stock Units), multiplied by (ii) the number of additional Shares actually paid as a dividend or distribution or issued in such split in respect of each outstanding Share. The additional Restricted Stock Units shall be or become vested to the same extent as the Restricted Stock Units that resulted in the crediting of such additional Restricted Stock Units.
 - 3. Terms and Conditions. All of the Restricted Stock Units shall initially be unvested.

(a) <u>Vesting</u> .	_ percent (%) of the Restricted St	ock Units (rounded up to the neares	t whole number) shall vest on the first
anniversary of the date of this Agreen	ment and on each of the next	_ (_) successive anniversaries ther	eof unless previously vested or forfeited in
accordance with the Plan or this Agre	eement (the "Normal Vesting Sched	ıle").	

- (i) Any Restricted Stock Units that fail to vest because the employment condition set forth in Section 3(c) is not satisfied shall be forfeited, subject to the special provisions set forth in subsections (ii) through (iv) of this Section 3(a).
- (ii) If the Participant's employment terminates due to death or Permanent Disability, or in the event of a Change in Control where the holders of the Company's Common Stock receive cash consideration for their Common Stock in consummation of the Change in Control, Restricted Stock Units not previously vested shall immediately become vested.
- (iii) If-on or within two years after a Change in Control (other than a Change in Control described in Section 3(a)(ii) above), the Participant terminates employment for Good Reason, or is terminated by the Company without Cause, Restricted Stock Units not previously vested shall immediately become vested.
- (iv) In the event of the Participant's resignation or termination of employment (other than for Cause) (a "Retirement"), unless the Board determines otherwise, Restricted Stock Units not previously vested shall immediately become vested and transferred to such Participant. To the extent the Participant's Retirement date and vesting date under this Section 3(a)(iv) are in different tax years, any amount payable under this subsection shall constitute the payment of nonqualified deferred compensation, subject to the requirements of Code Section 409A.
- (b) <u>Restrictions on Transfer</u>. Until the earlier of the applicable vesting date under the Normal Vesting Schedule, the date of a termination of employment due to death or Permanent Disability, the date of a Change in Control described in Section 3(a)(ii), or the date of a termination of employment on or within two years after a Change in Control described in Section 3(a)(iii), or as otherwise provided in the Plan, no transfer of the Restricted Stock

Units or any of the Participant's rights with respect to the Restricted Stock Units, whether voluntary or involuntary, by operation of law or otherwise, shall be permitted. Unless the Company's Compensation Committee determines otherwise, upon any attempt to transfer any Restricted Stock Units or any rights in respect of the Restricted Stock Units before the earlier of the applicable vesting date under the Normal Vesting Schedule, the date of a termination of employment due to death or Permanent Disability, the date of a Change in Control described in Section 3(a)(ii), or the date of a termination of employment on or within two years after a Change in Control described in Section 3(a)(iii), such unit, and all of the rights related to such unit, shall be immediately forfeited by the Participant and transferred to, and reacquired by, the Company without consideration of any kind.

- (c) <u>Forfeiture</u>. Upon termination of the Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary for any reason other than death, Permanent Disability or one of the reasons set forth in Sections 3(a)(iii) and (iv), the Participant shall forfeit any and all Restricted Stock Units which have not vested as of the date of such termination and such units shall revert to the Company without consideration of any kind.
- (d) <u>Settlement</u>. Restricted Stock Units not previously forfeited shall be settled on the earlier of the applicable vesting date under the Normal Vesting Schedule, the date of a termination of employment due to death or Permanent Disability, the date of a Change in Control described in Section 3(a) (ii), or the date of a termination of employment on or within two years after a Change in Control described in Section 3(a)(iii) by delivery of one share of common stock for each Restricted Stock Unit being settled.

4. Confidentiality; Specific Performance.

- (a) The Participant agrees with the Company that the Participant will not at any time, except in performance of the Participant's obligations to the Company hereunder or with the prior written consent of the Company, directly or indirectly, reveal to any person, entity, or other organization (other than the Company, or its employees, officers, directors, stockholders, or agents) or use for the Participant's own benefit any information deemed to be confidential by the Company or any of its Affiliates ("Confidential Information") relating to the assets, liabilities, employees, goodwill, business, or affairs of the Company or any of its Affiliates, including, without limitation, any information concerning past, present, or prospective customers, manufacturing processes, marketing, operating, or financial data, or other confidential information used by, or useful to, the Company or any of its Affiliates and known (whether or not known with the knowledge and permission of the Company or any of its Affiliates and whether or not at any time prior to the Date of Grant developed, devised, or otherwise created in whole or in part by the efforts of the Participant) to the Participant by reason of the Participant's employment with, equity holdings in, or other association with the Company or any of its Affiliates. The Participant further agrees that the Participant will retain all copies and extracts of any written Confidential Information acquired or developed by the Participant during any such employment, equity holding, or association in trust for the sole benefit of the Company, its Affiliates, and their successors and assigns. The Participant further agrees that the Participant will not, without the prior written consent of the Company, remove or take from the Company's or any of its Affiliate's premises (or if previously removed or taken, the Participant will promptly return) any written Confidential Information or any copies or extracts thereof. Upon the request and at the expense of the Company, the Participant shall promptly make all disclosures, execute all instruments and papers, and perform all acts reasonably necessary to vest and confirm in the Company and its Affiliates, fully and completely, all rights created or contemplated by this Section 6. The term "Confidential Information" shall not include information that is or becomes generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by, or at the direction of, the Participant.
- (b) The Participant agrees that upon termination of the Participant's employment with the Company or any Subsidiary for any reason, the Participant will return to the Company immediately all memoranda, books, papers, plans, information, letters and other data, and all copies thereof or therefrom, in any way evidencing (in whole or in part) Confidential Information relating to the business of the Company and its Subsidiaries and Affiliates. The Participant further agrees that the Participant will not retain or use for the Participant's account at any time any trade names, trademark, or other proprietary business designation used or owned in connection with the business of the Company or its Subsidiaries or Affiliates.
- (c) The Participant acknowledges and agrees that the Company's remedies at law for a breach or threatened breach of any of the provisions of this Section 4, would be inadequate and, in recognition of this fact, the Participant agrees that, in the event of such a breach or threatened breach, in addition to any remedies at law, the Company, without posting any bond, shall be entitled to obtain equitable relief in the form of specific performance, temporary restraining order, temporary or permanent injunction, or any other equitable remedy which may then be available.

5. Taxes.

- (a) Such Participant that is an employee shall pay to the Company or a designated Subsidiary, promptly upon request, and in any event at the time the Participant recognizes taxable income with respect to the Restricted Stock Units, an amount equal to the taxes the Company determines it is required to withhold under applicable tax laws with respect to the Restricted Stock Units. The Participant may satisfy the foregoing requirement by making a payment to the Company in cash or, with the approval of the Plan administrator, by delivering already owned unrestricted Shares or by having the Company withhold a number of Shares in which the Participant would otherwise become vested under this Agreement, in each case, having a value equal to the minimum amount of tax required to be withheld. Such Shares shall be valued at their fair market value on the date as of which the amount of tax to be withheld is determined.
- (b) The Participant acknowledges that the tax laws and regulations applicable to the Restricted Stock Units and the disposition of the shares following the settlement of Restricted Stock Units are complex and subject to change.
- 6. <u>Securities Laws Requirements</u>. The Company shall not be obligated to transfer any shares following the settlement of Restricted Stock Units to the Participant free of a restrictive legend if such transfer, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, would violate the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") (or any other federal or state statutes having similar requirements as may be in effect at that time).
- 7. No Obligation to Register. The Company shall be under no obligation to register any shares as a result of the settlement of the Restricted Stock Units pursuant to the Securities Act or any other federal or state securities laws.
- 8. Market Stand-Off. In connection with any underwritten public offering by the Company of its equity securities pursuant to an effective registration statement filed under the Securities Act for such period as the Company or its underwriters may request (such period not to exceed 180 days following the date of the applicable offering), the Participant shall not, directly or indirectly, sell, make any short sale of, loan, hypothecate, pledge, offer, grant or sell any option or other contract for the purchase of, purchase any option or other contract for the sale of, or otherwise dispose of or transfer, or agree to engage in any of the foregoing transactions with respect to, any of the Restricted Stock Units granted under this Agreement or any shares resulting the settlement thereof without the prior written consent of the Company or its underwriters.
- 9. <u>Protections Against Violations of Agreement</u>. No purported sale, assignment, mortgage, hypothecation, transfer, pledge, encumbrance, gift, transfer in trust (voting or other) or other disposition of, or creation of a security interest in or lien on, any of the Restricted Stock Units by any holder

thereof in violation of the provisions of this Units Agreement or the Articles of Incorporation or the Bylaws of the Company, will be valid, and the Company will not transfer any shares resulting from the settlement of Restricted Stock Units on its books nor will any of such shares be entitled to vote, nor will any dividends be paid thereon, unless and until there has been full compliance with such provisions to the satisfaction of the Company. The foregoing restrictions are in addition to and not in lieu of any other remedies, legal or equitable, available to enforce such provisions.

- 10. <u>Rights as a Stockholder</u>. The Participant shall not possess the right to vote the shares underlying the Restricted Stock Units until the Restricted Stock Units have settled in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and the Plan.
- 11. <u>Survival of Terms</u>. This Agreement shall apply to and bind the Participant and the Company and their respective permitted assignees and transferees, heirs, legatees, executors, administrators and legal successors. The terms of Sections 4, 5 and 6 shall expressly survive the forfeiture of the Restricted Stock Units and this Agreement.
- 12. Notices. All notices and other communications provided for herein shall be in writing and shall be delivered by hand or sent by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, addressed, if to the Participant, to the Participant's attention at the mailing address set forth at the foot of this Agreement (or to such other address as the Participant shall have specified to the Company in writing) and, if to the Company, to the Company's office at _______, Attention: _______ (or to such other address as the Company shall have specified to the Participant in writing). All such notices shall be conclusively deemed to be received and shall be effective, if sent by hand delivery, upon receipt, or if sent by registered or certified mail, on the fifth day after the day on which such notice is mailed.
- 13. <u>Waiver</u>. The waiver by either party of compliance with any provision of this Agreement by the other party shall not operate or be construed as a waiver of any other provision of this Agreement, or of any subsequent breach by such party of a provision of this Agreement.
- 14. <u>Authority of the Administrator</u>. The Plan Administrator, which is the Company's Compensation Committee, shall have full authority to interpret and construe the terms of the Plan and this Agreement. The determination of the administrator as to any such matter of interpretation or construction shall be final, binding and conclusive.
- 15. <u>Representations</u>. The Participant has reviewed with his own tax advisors the applicable tax (U.S., foreign, state, and local) consequences of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. The Participant is relying solely on such advisors and not on any statements or representations of the Company or any of its agents. The Participant understands that he (and not the Company) shall be responsible for any tax liability that may arise as a result of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- 16. <u>Investment Representation</u>. The Participant hereby represents and warrants to the Company that the Participant, by reason of the Participant's business or financial experience (or the business or financial experience of the Participant's professional advisors who are unaffiliated with and who are not compensated by the Company or any affiliate or selling agent of the Company, directly or indirectly), has the capacity to protect the Participant's own interests in connection with the transactions contemplated under this Agreement.
- 17. Entire Agreement; Governing Law. This Agreement and the Plan and the other related agreements expressly referred to herein set forth the entire agreement and understanding between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings relating to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same agreement. The headings of sections and subsections herein are included solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning of any of the provisions of this Agreement. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California.
- 18. Severability. Should any provision of this Agreement be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, or enforceable only if modified, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Agreement, the balance of which shall continue to be binding upon the parties hereto with any such modification (if any) to become a part hereof and treated as though contained in this original Agreement. Moreover, if one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held to be excessively broad as to scope, activity, subject or otherwise so as to be unenforceable, in lieu of severing such unenforceable provision, such provision or provisions shall be construed by the appropriate judicial body by limiting or reducing it or them, so as to be enforceable to the maximum extent compatible with the applicable law as it shall then appear, and such determination by such judicial body shall not affect the enforceability of such provisions or provisions in any other jurisdiction.
- 19. <u>Amendments; Construction</u>. The Plan administrator may amend the terms of this Agreement prospectively or retroactively at any time, but no such amendment shall impair the rights of the Participant hereunder without his or her consent. To the extent the terms of Section 4 above conflict with any prior agreement between the parties related to such subject matter, the terms of Section 4 shall supersede such conflicting terms and control. Headings to Sections of this Agreement are intended for convenience of reference only, are not part of this Restricted Stock Units and shall have no affect on the interpretation hereof.
- 20. Acceptance. The Participant hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of the Plan and this Agreement. The Participant has read and understand the terms and provision thereof, and accepts the shares of Restricted Stock Units subject to all the terms and conditions of the Plan and this Agreement. The Participant hereby agrees to accept as binding, conclusive and final all decisions or interpretations of the Administrator upon any questions arising under this Agreement.

21. Miscellaneous.

- (a) No Rights to Grants or Continued Employment. The Participant acknowledges that the award granted under this Agreement is not employment compensation nor is it an employment right, and is being granted at the sole discretion of the Company's Compensation Committee. The Participant shall not have any claim or right to receive grants of Awards under the Plan. Neither the Plan or this Agreement, nor any action taken or omitted to be taken hereunder or thereunder, shall be deemed to create or confer on the Participant any right to be retained as an employee of the Company or any Subsidiary or other Affiliate thereof, or to interfere with or to limit in any way the right of the Company or any Affiliate or Subsidiary thereof to terminate the employment of the Participant at any time.
- (b) No Restriction on Right of Company to Effect Corporate Changes. Neither the Plan nor this Agreement shall affect in any way the right or power of the Company or its stockholders to make or authorize any or all adjustments, recapitalizations, reorganizations, or other changes in the Company's capital structure or its business, or any merger or consolidation of the Company, or any issue of stock or of options, warrants or rights to purchase stock or of bonds, debentures, preferred, or prior preference stocks whose rights are superior to or affect the Common Stock or the rights thereof

or which are convertible into or exchangeable for Common Stock, or the dissolution or liquidation of the Company, or any sale or transfer of all or any part of the assets or business of the Company, or any other corporate act or proceeding, whether of a similar character or otherwise.

- (c) <u>Assignment</u>. The Company shall have the right to assign any of its rights and to delegate any of its duties under this Agreement to any of its Affiliates.
- 22. Code Section 409A. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the receipt of any benefits under this Agreement as a result of a termination of employment shall be subject to satisfaction of the condition precedent that the Participant undergo a "separation from service" within the meaning of Treas. Reg. § 1.409A-1(h) or any successor thereto. In addition, if a Participant is deemed to be a "specified employee" within the meaning of that term under Code Section 409A(a)(2)(B), then with regard to any payment or the provisions of any benefit that is required to be delayed pursuant to Code Section 409A(a)(2)(B), such payment or benefit shall not be made or provided prior to the earlier of (i) the expiration of the six (6) month period measured from the date of the Participant's "separation from service" (as such term is defined in Treas. Reg. § 1.409A-1(h)), or (ii) the date of the Participant's death (the "Delay Period"). Within ten (10) days following the expiration of the Delay Period, all payments and benefits delayed pursuant to this Section (whether they would have otherwise been payable in a single sum or in installments in the absence of such delay) shall be paid or reimbursed to the Participant in a lump sum, and any remaining payments and benefits due under this Agreement shall be paid or provided in accordance with the normal payment dates specified for them herein.

THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE NULL AND VOID AND UNENFORCEABLE BY THE PARTICIPANT UNLESS SIGNED AND DELIVERED TO THE COMPANY NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS SUBSEQUENT TO THE DATE OF GRANT SET FORTH BELOW.

BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, THE PARTICIPANT IS HEREBY CONSENTING TO THE PROCESSING AND TRANSFER OF THE PARTICIPANT'S PERSONAL DATA BY THE COMPANY TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO ADMINISTER AND PROCESS THE AWARDS GRANTED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized officer and the Participant has executed this Agreement, both as of the day and year first above written.

RBB Bancorp		
By: Name:		
Title:	President & CEO	
PARTICIPANT		
Name:		
Address:		
Date of Grant:		
Number of Shares	of Restricted Stock Units: _	
Initial Vesting Dat	e:	
Tay Payment Due	Date:	

RBB BANCORP

AWARD AGREEMENT FOR DIRECTORS ONLY - RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS

UNDER THE 2017 OMNIBUS STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN

THIS AWARD AGREEMENT FOR DIRECTORS ONLY - RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS (this "Agreement"), dated as of	, is
between RBB Bancorp, a California corporation (the "Company"), and the individual identified on the signature page hereof (the "Participant").	

BACKGROUND

- A. The Participant is currently a director of the Company or one of its Subsidiaries.
- B. The Company desires to (i) provide the Participant with an incentive to remain as a director of the Company or one of its Subsidiaries, and (ii) increase the Participant's interest in the success of the Company by granting restricted stock units (the "Restricted Stock Units") to the Participant.
- C. The grant of the Restricted Stock Units is (i) made pursuant to the RBB Bancorp Amended and Restated 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan"), (ii) made subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and (iii) not director compensation nor an employment / directorship right and is made in the discretion of the Company's Compensation Committee.
- NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound, agree as follows:
- 1. <u>Definitions; Incorporation of Plan Terms</u>. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement without definition shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Plan. This Agreement and the Restricted Stock Units shall be subject to the Plan. The terms of the Plan are incorporated into this Agreement by reference. If there is a conflict or an inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement, the Plan shall govern. The Participant hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of the Plan.

2. Grant of Restricted Stock Units.

- (a) Subject to the provisions of this Agreement and pursuant to the provisions of the Plan, the Company hereby grants to the Participant the number of Restricted Stock Units specified on the signature page of this Agreement. The Company shall credit to a bookkeeping account (the "Account") maintained by the Company, or a third party on behalf of the Company, for the Participant's benefit the Restricted Stock Units, each of which shall be deemed to be the equivalent of one share of the Company's common stock, no par value per share (each, a "Share").
- (b) If and whenever any cash dividends are declared on the Shares, on the date such dividend is paid, the Company will credit to the Account a number of additional Restricted Stock Units equal to the result of dividing (i) the product of the total number of Restricted Stock Units credited to the Account on the record date for such dividend (other than previously settled or forfeited Restricted Stock Units) times the per Share amount of such dividend, by (ii) the Fair Market Value of one Share on the record date for such dividend. The additional Restricted Stock Units shall be or become vested to the same extent as the Restricted Stock Units that resulted in the crediting of such additional Restricted Stock Units.
- (c) If and whenever the Company declares and pays a dividend or distribution on the Shares in the form of additional shares, or there occurs a forward split of Shares, then a number of additional Restricted Units shall be credited to the Account as of the payment date for such dividend or distribution or forward split equal to (i) the total number of Restricted Stock Units credited to the Account on the record date for such dividend or distribution or split (other than previously settled or forfeited Restricted Stock Units), multiplied by (ii) the number of additional Shares actually paid as a dividend or distribution or issued in such split in respect of each outstanding Share. The additional Restricted Stock Units shall be or become vested to the same extent as the Restricted Stock Units that resulted in the crediting of such additional Restricted Stock Units.
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- (b) <u>Restrictions on Transfer</u>. Until the earlier of the applicable vesting date under the Normal Vesting Schedule, the date of a termination of employment / directorship due to death or Permanent Disability, the date of a Change in Control described in Section 3(a)(ii), or the date of a termination of employment / directorship on or within two years after a Change in Control described in Section 3(a)(iii), or as otherwise provided in the Plan, no transfer

of the Restricted Stock Units or any of the Participant's rights with respect to the Restricted Stock Units, whether voluntary or involuntary, by operation of law or otherwise, shall be permitted. Unless the Company's Compensation Committee determines otherwise, upon any attempt to transfer any Restricted Stock Units or any rights in respect of the Restricted Stock Units before the earlier of the applicable vesting date under the Normal Vesting Schedule, the date of a termination of employment / directorship due to death or Permanent Disability, the date of a Change in Control described in Section 3(a)(ii), or the date of a termination of employment / directorship on or within two years after a Change in Control described in Section 3(a)(iii), such unit, and all of the rights related to such unit, shall be immediately forfeited by the Participant and transferred to, and reacquired by, the Company without consideration of any kind.

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- (c) The Participant acknowledges and agrees that the Company's remedies at law for a breach or threatened breach of any of the provisions of this Section 4, would be inadequate and, in recognition of this fact, the Participant agrees that, in the event of such a breach or threatened breach, in addition to any remedies at law, the Company, without posting any bond, shall be entitled to obtain equitable relief in the form of specific performance, temporary restraining order, temporary or permanent injunction, or any other equitable remedy which may then be available.

5. Taxes.

- (a) Such Participant that is a director shall pay to the Company or a designated Subsidiary, promptly upon request, and in any event at the time the Participant recognizes taxable income with respect to the Restricted Stock Units, an amount equal to the taxes the Company determines it is required to withhold under applicable tax laws with respect to the Restricted Stock Units. The Participant may satisfy the foregoing requirement by making a payment to the Company in cash or, with the approval of the Plan administrator, by delivering already owned unrestricted Shares or by having the Company withhold a number of Shares in which the Participant would otherwise become vested under this Agreement, in each case, having a value equal to the minimum amount of tax required to be withheld. Such Shares shall be valued at their fair market value on the date as of which the amount of tax to be withheld is determined.
- (b) The Participant acknowledges that the tax laws and regulations applicable to the Restricted Stock Units and the disposition of the shares following the settlement of Restricted Stock Units are complex and subject to change.
- 6. <u>Securities Laws Requirements</u>. The Company shall not be obligated to transfer any shares following the settlement of Restricted Stock Units to the Participant free of a restrictive legend if such transfer, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, would violate the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") (or any other federal or state statutes having similar requirements as may be in effect at that time).
- 7. No Obligation to Register. The Company shall be under no obligation to register any shares as a result of the settlement of the Restricted Stock Units pursuant to the Securities Act or any other federal or state securities laws.
- 8. Market Stand-Off. In connection with any underwritten public offering by the Company of its equity securities pursuant to an effective registration statement filed under the Securities Act for such period as the Company or its underwriters may request (such period not to exceed 180 days following the date of the applicable offering), the Participant shall not, directly or indirectly, sell, make any short sale of, loan, hypothecate, pledge, offer, grant or sell any option or other contract for the purchase of, purchase any option or other contract for the sale of, or otherwise dispose of or transfer, or agree to engage in any of the foregoing transactions with respect to, any of the Restricted Stock Units granted under this Agreement or any shares resulting the settlement thereof without the prior written consent of the Company or its underwriters.

- 9. <u>Protections Against Violations of Agreement</u>. No purported sale, assignment, mortgage, hypothecation, transfer, pledge, encumbrance, gift, transfer in trust (voting or other) or other disposition of, or creation of a security interest in or lien on, any of the Restricted Stock Units by any holder thereof in violation of the provisions of this Units Agreement or the Articles of Incorporation or the Bylaws of the Company, will be valid, and the Company will not transfer any shares resulting from the settlement of Restricted Stock Units on its books nor will any of such shares be entitled to vote, nor will any dividends be paid thereon, unless and until there has been full compliance with such provisions to the satisfaction of the Company. The foregoing restrictions are in addition to and not in lieu of any other remedies, legal or equitable, available to enforce such provisions.
- 10. <u>Rights as a Stockholder</u>. The Participant shall not possess the right to vote the shares underlying the Restricted Stock Units until the Restricted Stock Units have settled in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and the Plan.
- 11. <u>Survival of Terms</u>. This Agreement shall apply to and bind the Participant and the Company and their respective permitted assignees and transferees, heirs, legatees, executors, administrators and legal successors. The terms of Sections 4, 5 and 6 shall expressly survive the forfeiture of the Restricted Stock Units and this Agreement.
- 12. Notices. All notices and other communications provided for herein shall be in writing and shall be delivered by hand or sent by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, addressed, if to the Participant, to the Participant's attention at the mailing address set forth at the foot of this Agreement (or to such other address as the Participant shall have specified to the Company in writing) and, if to the Company, to the Company's office at _______, Attention: _______ (or to such other address as the Company shall have specified to the Participant in writing). All such notices shall be conclusively deemed to be received and shall be effective, if sent by hand delivery, upon receipt, or if sent by registered or certified mail, on the fifth day after the day on which such notice is mailed.
- 13. <u>Waiver</u>. The waiver by either party of compliance with any provision of this Agreement by the other party shall not operate or be construed as a waiver of any other provision of this Agreement, or of any subsequent breach by such party of a provision of this Agreement.
- 14. <u>Authority of the Administrator</u>. The Plan Administrator, which is the Company's Compensation Committee, shall have full authority to interpret and construe the terms of the Plan and this Agreement. The determination of the administrator as to any such matter of interpretation or construction shall be final, binding and conclusive.
- 15. <u>Representations</u>. The Participant has reviewed with his own tax advisors the applicable tax (U.S., foreign, state, and local) consequences of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. The Participant is relying solely on such advisors and not on any statements or representations of the Company or any of its agents. The Participant understands that he (and not the Company) shall be responsible for any tax liability that may arise as a result of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- 16. <u>Investment Representation</u>. The Participant hereby represents and warrants to the Company that the Participant, by reason of the Participant's business or financial experience (or the business or financial experience of the Participant's professional advisors who are unaffiliated with and who are not compensated by the Company or any affiliate or selling agent of the Company, directly or indirectly), has the capacity to protect the Participant's own interests in connection with the transactions contemplated under this Agreement.
- 17. Entire Agreement; Governing Law. This Agreement and the Plan and the other related agreements expressly referred to herein set forth the entire agreement and understanding between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings relating to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same agreement. The headings of sections and subsections herein are included solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning of any of the provisions of this Agreement. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California.
- 18. <u>Severability</u>. Should any provision of this Agreement be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, or enforceable only if modified, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Agreement, the balance of which shall continue to be binding upon the parties hereto with any such modification (if any) to become a part hereof and treated as though contained in this original Agreement. Moreover, if one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held to be excessively broad as to scope, activity, subject or otherwise so as to be unenforceable, in lieu of severing such unenforceable provision, such provision or provisions shall be construed by the appropriate judicial body by limiting or reducing it or them, so as to be enforceable to the maximum extent compatible with the applicable law as it shall then appear, and such determination by such judicial body shall not affect the enforceability of such provisions or provisions in any other jurisdiction.
- 19. <u>Amendments; Construction</u>. The Plan administrator may amend the terms of this Agreement prospectively or retroactively at any time, but no such amendment shall impair the rights of the Participant hereunder without his or her consent. To the extent the terms of Section 4 above conflict with any prior agreement between the parties related to such subject matter, the terms of Section 4 shall supersede such conflicting terms and control. Headings to Sections of this Agreement are intended for convenience of reference only, are not part of this Restricted Stock Units and shall have no affect on the interpretation hereof.
- 20. Acceptance. The Participant hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of the Plan and this Agreement. The Participant has read and understand the terms and provision thereof, and accepts the shares of Restricted Stock Units subject to all the terms and conditions of the Plan and this Agreement. The Participant hereby agrees to accept as binding, conclusive and final all decisions or interpretations of the Administrator upon any questions arising under this Agreement.

21. Miscellaneous.

- (a) No Rights to Grants or Continued Employment / Directorship. The Participant acknowledges that the award granted under this Agreement is not employment / directorship compensation nor is it an employment / directorship right, and is being granted at the sole discretion of the Company's Compensation Committee. The Participant shall not have any claim or right to receive grants of Awards under the Plan. Neither the Plan or this Agreement, nor any action taken or omitted to be taken hereunder or thereunder, shall be deemed to create or confer on the Participant any right to be retained as a director of the Company or any Subsidiary or other Affiliate thereof, or to interfere with or to limit in any way the right of the Company or any Affiliate or Subsidiary thereof to terminate the employment / directorship of the Participant at any time.
- (b) No Restriction on Right of Company to Effect Corporate Changes. Neither the Plan nor this Agreement shall affect in any way the right or power of the Company or its stockholders to make or authorize any or all adjustments, recapitalizations, reorganizations, or other changes in the Company's capital structure or its business, or any merger or consolidation of the Company, or any issue of stock or of options, warrants or rights to

purchase stock or of bonds, debentures, preferred, or prior preference stocks whose rights are superior to or affect the Common Stock or the rights thereof or which are convertible into or exchangeable for Common Stock, or the dissolution or liquidation of the Company, or any sale or transfer of all or any part of the assets or business of the Company, or any other corporate act or proceeding, whether of a similar character or otherwise.

(c) <u>Assignment</u>. The Company shall have the right to assign any of its rights and to delegate any of its duties under this Agreement to any of its Affiliates.

22. <u>Code Section 409A</u>. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the receipt of any benefits under this Agreement as a result of a termination of Participant as a director shall be subject to satisfaction of the condition precedent that the Participant undergo a "separation from service" within the meaning of Treas. Reg. § 1.409A-1(h) or any successor thereto. In addition, if a Participant is deemed to be a "specified employee" within the meaning of that term under Code Section 409A(a)(2)(B), then with regard to any payment or the provisions of any benefit that is required to be delayed pursuant to Code Section 409A(a)(2)(B), such payment or benefit shall not be made or provided prior to the earlier of (i) the expiration of the six (6) month period measured from the date of the Participant's "separation from service" (as such term is defined in Treas. Reg. § 1.409A-1(h)), or (ii) the date of the Participant's death (the "Delay Period"). Within ten (10) days following the expiration of the Delay Period, all payments and benefits delayed pursuant to this Section (whether they would have otherwise been payable in a single sum or in installments in the absence of such delay) shall be paid or reimbursed to the Participant in a lump sum, and any remaining payments and benefits due under this Agreement shall be paid or provided in accordance with the normal payment dates specified for them herein.

THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE NULL AND VOID AND UNENFORCEABLE BY THE PARTICIPANT UNLESS SIGNED AND DELIVERED TO THE COMPANY NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS SUBSEQUENT TO THE DATE OF GRANT SET FORTH BELOW.

BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, THE PARTICIPANT IS HEREBY CONSENTING TO THE PROCESSING AND TRANSFER OF THE PARTICIPANT'S PERSONAL DATA BY THE COMPANY TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO ADMINISTER AND PROCESS THE AWARDS GRANTED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized officer and the Participant has executed this Agreement, both as of the day and year first above written.

RBB Bancorp		
By: Name:	James Kao	
Title:	Chairman of the Board of Directors	
PARTICIPANT		
Name:		
Address:		
Date of Grant:		
Number of Shares	of Restricted Stock Units:	
Initial Vesting Dat	e:	
Tax Payment Due Date:		

CERTIFICATION

- I, David Morris, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this Amendment No. 1 to the annual report on Form 10-K of RBB Bancorp for the year ended December 31, 2021; and
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report.

Date: March 31, 2022 By: /s/ David Morris

David Morris, Interim President and Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION

- I, David Morris, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this Amendment No. 1 to the annual report on Form 10-K of RBB Bancorp for the year ended December 31, 2021; and
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report.

Date: March 31, 2022 By: /s/ David Morris

David Morris, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer