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Capitol Bancorp to Present at Howe Barnes Hoefler & Arnett Thirteenth Annual Community Bank Conference in Chicago, August 19

LANSING, Mich., and PHOENIX, Ariz: August 13, 2008: Capitol Bancorp Limited (NYSE:CBC) will be a featured presenter at the Thirteenth Annual Community Bank Conference hosted by Howe Barnes Hoefler & Arnett in Chicago on August 19, 2008.

Capitol Bancorp Chairman and CEO Joseph D. Reid will be joined by Michael M. Moran, Chief of Capital Markets, to provide an overview of the company's unique operating model, financial performance and strategic initiatives.

The presentation will be webcast live on Tuesday, August 19, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. CDT (2:00 p.m. EDT). The webcast can be accessed at <http://www.howebarnes.com>. There is no charge to access the presentation and it is open to media, investors, shareholders and other interested parties. The presentation will be available for seven business days following the conference.

About Capitol Bancorp Limited

[Capitol Bancorp Limited](http://www.capitolbancorp.com) (NYSE: CBC) is a \$5.3 billion national community bank development company, with a network of 64 separately chartered banks and bank operations in 17 states. It is the holder of the most individual bank charters in the country. Capitol Bancorp Limited identifies opportunities for the development of new community banks, raises capital for and mentors new community banks through their formative stages and provides efficient services to its growing network of community banks. Each community bank has full local decision-making authority and is managed by an on-site president under the direction of a local board of directors, composed of business leaders from the bank's community. Founded in 1988, Capitol Bancorp Limited has executive offices in Lansing, Michigan, and Phoenix, Arizona.

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