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To the Editor:

Prospectors Federal Credit Union Earns 5-Star Superior Rating

August 2009: Prospectors Federal Credit Union, Diamond Bar, California takes great pride in receiving a 5-Star Superior rating for financial strength and stability from **BAUERFINANCIAL, Inc., Coral Gables, Florida**. 5-Stars is the highest rating attainable from BAUERFINANCIAL (the Nation's Bank and Credit Union Rating Firm for over a quarter of a century) and is based on the overall financial picture of the institution.

Earning a 5-Star rating indicates that Prospectors Federal Credit Union is one of the strongest credit unions in the nation. In fact, this is the 76th consecutive quarter that Prospectors Federal Credit Union has earned this highest honor. Only 6% of the nation's credit unions can claim this distinction.

Given that, it is not surprising that Karen L. Dorway, president of BAUERFINANCIAL, has high praise for Prospectors Federal Credit Union. "Prospectors Federal Credit Union has avoided the lending and underwriting problems that have plagued much of the industry. It is clear that the staff of Prospectors Federal Credit Union, under the direction of Ms Mary Freeman, CEO, remains diligent in adhering to sound banking principles and standards."

Established in 1949, Prospectors Federal Credit Union has been serving the needs of its members for 60 years. It operates through conveniently located offices on South Valley Vista Drive in Diamond Bar and can be found on the internet at www.prospectorsfcu.org.

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