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Korn Ferry Futurestep Establishes Dedicated Credit Union/Community Banking Recruiting Practice

Industry Veterans Mike Juratovac and Mary Leonardi Join to Lead Efforts and Expand Offering

LOS ANGELES--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- The Futurestep division of Korn Ferry (NYSE:KFY), the preeminent global people and organizational advisory firm, today announced it is establishing a dedicated Credit Union and Community Banking Recruiting practice area, and bringing on industry veterans to lead and expand the offering.

[Mike Juratovac](#) has been named Sector Leader, Futurestep Credit Union and Community Banking, an offering which falls within Korn Ferry Futurestep's North America Financial Services practice. Juratovac brings with him more than 20 years of executive search and consulting experience, with a specific focus on financial services - credit unions and community banks in particular.

[Mary Leonardi](#) has joined the firm as Managing Consultant, Korn Ferry Futurestep Credit Union and Community Banking. Having worked in the recruiting and talent management space for more than 15 years, Leonardi has a strong background in the areas of Human Resources and Executive Recruitment and Retention Strategies within the credit union and broad financial services industries.

"We're excited to bring on Mike and Mary, who both have stellar reputations as leaders and a great team in this space," said Eric Goldstein, Global Market Leader, Korn Ferry Futurestep Financial Services. "We see enormous potential for this practice, as the popularity of credit unions is skyrocketing among consumers as they typically offer lower fees and better returns. Additionally, following the 2008 financial crisis, many U.S. consumers moved their savings from large banks to credit unions and community banks."

According to the National Credit Union Administration, there are nearly 6,000 federally insured credit unions in the United States, with more than \$1.2 trillion in assets.

"As the credit union industry continues to evolve in complexity and sophistication, the need for strategically placed business partners who can provide counsel on compensation, board governance and talent acquisition has never been more important," said Juratovac. "The industry as a whole has become increasingly reliant on talent consulting services including talent acquisition, workforce planning and employee development. Korn Ferry Futurestep is uniquely positioned to help these organizations expand and become more efficient and profitable."

"With the addition of Mike and Mary, we are making a strategic investment in our Financial

Services practice that enables us to better serve our credit union and community banking clients across Korn Ferry's three lines of business," added Gloria Mirrione, North American Market Leader, Korn Ferry Futurestep Financial Services.

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