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PRESS RELEASE - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE.....

1ST CONSTITUTION BANCORP DECLARES A 5 PERCENT STOCK DIVIDEND

Cranbury NJ – December 22, 2008..... 1ST Constitution Bancorp’s (NASDAQ: FCCY) Board of Directors has declared a 5 percent stock dividend to shareholders of record as of the close of business on January 20, 2009, payable February 2, 2009. Robert F. Mangano, President and Chief Executive Officer said that this action represents the seventeenth consecutive year that a stock dividend has been paid by 1ST Constitution.

1ST Constitution Bancorp and its primary subsidiary, 1ST Constitution Bank operate eleven branch banking offices in Cranbury (two), Fort Lee, Hamilton, Hightstown, Jamesburg, Montgomery, Plainsboro, Perth Amboy, Princeton, and West Windsor, New Jersey.

1ST Constitution Bancorp is traded on the NASDAQ Global Market under the trading symbol “FCCY.” You can visit our Internet website at www.1STCONSTITUTION.com

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