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First Capital Group Statement Regarding President Obama's Nomination of John Fernandez
For Assistant Secretary of Commerce For Economic Development

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"We're obviously very proud of John Fernandez's nomination to serve in the Obama Administration," said Tim Mitchell, First Capital Group's President and Founder. "John has a long-standing history of promoting economic development as a business leader and elected official. As Mayor, John's exceptional leadership enabled Bloomington's economy to thrive despite facing significant challenges arising from the changing global economy. If confirmed, John will bring the exact kind of experience and leadership skills to Washington that our country needs during these challenging economic times. First Capital Group's loss will be our country's gain."

"I am truly humbled and honored by President Obama's nomination to join his economic development team," said John Fernandez. "I look forward, if confirmed, to joining Secretary Locke and the exceptional team he has assembled at the Department of Commerce as we work to promote innovation and competitiveness, and help American communities achieve sustained economic success."

About First Capital

Headquartered in Bloomington, Ind., First Capital Group directs a portfolio of more than \$150 million in assets and over one million square feet of real estate. First Capital Group's investments include businesses that span several industries, such as real estate, life sciences, health care, technology, manufacturing and retail. For more information, visit www.FirstCapitalUSA.com or call 812-330-0077.

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