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**RICHARD J. GREEN, FIRSTTRUST BANK C.E.O., APPOINTED TO THE
U.S. FEDERAL RESERVE THRIFT INSTITUTIONS ADVISORY COUNCIL**

CONSHOHOCKEN, PA (February 25, 2009) – Firsttrust Bank announced today that Richard J. Green, Chief Executive Officer, was appointed to The Federal Reserve Board’s Thrift Institutions Advisory Council (TIAC) for a two-year term. The term began on January 1, 2009.

The TIAC is a national 12-member advisory group to the Federal Reserve Board. In this capacity, Mr. Green will help to advise the Federal Reserve on developments relating to banks, thrifts, the housing industry, mortgage finance and regulatory issues. The Advisory Council meets three times each year with the Board of Governors.

“The current financial situation in the United States is at the forefront of the news and many people’s lives. I trust that the work of the TIAC will prove to be invaluable over the next two years to find ways to improve the financial health of our country,” said Richard J. Green, 56, Firsttrust Chief Executive Officer since 1995. “I am honored to be part of this prestigious Council, especially during our 75th anniversary year, and I look forward to working with some of the country’s most respected financial leaders to make a positive impact.”

About Firsttrust Bank

Founded in 1934 and celebrating its 75th anniversary under its third generation of family ownership, Firsttrust is a privately-held bank with assets of \$2.5 billion. Firsttrust is a Small Business Administration (SBA) preferred lender, and provides both retail and commercial services through its 25 banking offices located in Bucks, Burlington, Chester, Lehigh, Montgomery and Philadelphia counties. Continuing to meet the needs of its customers, Firsttrust offers a wide variety of deposit products, consumer and business loan options, commercial real estate mortgages and cash-management products. For more information, visit www.firsttrust.com or call 800-220-BANK (2265).

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