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**FABIAN NÚÑEZ JOINS ZENITH'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

WOODLAND HILLS, CALIFORNIA, December 1, 2008 . . . . .

Zenith National Insurance Corp. (NYSE: ZNT) announced today that Fabian Núñez has been appointed to its Board of Directors.

Mr. Núñez was elected to the California State Assembly in 2002 and served as its Speaker from 2004 through November 2008. He is currently a partner and co-chair of Mercury Public Affairs LLC.

Zenith is a property-casualty insurance organization with headquarters in Woodland Hills, California. Through its insurance subsidiaries, Zenith provides workers' compensation insurance nationally.

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