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**FIRST HOSPITALITY GROUP, INC. HIRES GENERAL MANAGERS AT TWO
MIDWESTERN HOTELS**

*Ryan Kidd at the Holiday Inn Express & Suites Bloomington in Minnesota and Lisa Yilmaz
at the Residence Inn Omaha Central in Nebraska*

ROSEMONT, Ill., July XX, 2014 — Rosemont, Ill.-based [First Hospitality Group, Inc.](http://www.firsthospitality.com) (FHG) announced today that it has hired Ryan Kidd as the new general manager of the Holiday Inn Express & Suites Bloomington Airport South-Mall Area, and Lisa Yilma as the general manger of the Residence Inn Omaha Central. FHG President and COO Robert Habeeb made the announcement.

Kidd has been a part of the company since 2010, working as an FHG associate at the Hilton Garden Inn Minneapolis Downtown and most recently as the assistant general manager at the Hilton Garden Inn St. Paul/Oakdale where he specialized in staff training and guest satisfaction. He brings these skills to the Holiday Inn Express & Suites Bloomington Airport South-Mall Area, located in the heart of Bloomington, Minn. with nearby attractions including the Mall of America and Target Center. The hotel also offers a 24-hour airport shuttle to the airport, an indoor pool and a 24-hour fitness center.

Yilmaz has more than 14 years of hospitality management experience. Immediately prior to joining FHG, she served as the Director of Sales for the Hilton Garden Inn in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and has also held management roles for several other select service properties. Yilmaz will oversee all operations at the 80-room Residence Inn Omaha Central, which offers guests a unique barbeque and picnic area on site, and is located just minutes away from the University of Nebraska and the Henry Doorly Zoo.

“First Hospitality Group has been experiencing significant growth in management contracts in 2014 so it’s critical that we add and cultivate great talent, like Ryan and Lisa, to uphold our excellent reputation across the country,” said Habeeb.

First Hospitality Group, Inc. is a national, experienced, and established hospitality management, and development company serving the investment and real estate industries. Since 1985, FHG has been an award-winning pioneer in the hospitality industry. FHG has successfully developed, marketed and managed over 16 brands and 62 properties throughout the Midwest. Visit www.fhginc.com.

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