GSV Announces Commencement of Public Offering of Common Stock

Woodside, CA – **February 9, 2012** – GSV Capital Corp. (NasdaqCM: GSVC) (the "Company") today announced the commencement of a public offering of 3,000,000 shares of common stock in an underwritten public offering. The Company also plans to grant the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to an additional 450,000 shares of its common stock to cover overallotments, if any.

The Company intends to use the net proceeds of this public offering to invest in portfolio companies in accordance with its investment objective and strategies, and for working capital and general corporate purposes.

Citigroup Global Markets Inc. is acting as sole book-running manager for the offering. Ladenburg Thalmann & Co. Inc., a subsidiary of Ladenburg Thalmann Financial Services Inc. (NYSE AMEX:LTS), Lazard Capital Markets, National Securities Corporation, Aegis Capital Corp. and Maxim Group LLC are acting as co-managers.

A registration statement (including a preliminary prospectus) relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, but has not yet been declared effective. The information in the preliminary prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. The preliminary prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

A copy of the preliminary prospectus may be obtained by mail from Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Brooklyn Army Terminal, 140 58th Street, 8th floor, Brooklyn, NY 11220, by phone at (800) 831-9146 or by email at batprospectusdept@citigroup.com. Investors should consider the investment objective, risks, and charges and expenses of the Company carefully before investing. The prospectus will contain this and other information about the Company. Investors should read the prospectus carefully before investing.

This press release is for informational purposes only and shall not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy these securities, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state or jurisdiction in which such an offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state or jurisdiction.

About GSV Capital Corp.

GSV Capital Corp. (NasdaqCM: GSVC) is a publicly traded investment fund that seeks to invest in high-growth, venture-backed private companies. Led by industry veteran Michael Moe, the fund seeks to create a portfolio of high-growth emerging private companies via a repeatable and disciplined investment approach, as well as to provide investors with access to such companies through its publicly traded common stock. GSV Capital is headquartered in Woodside, CA.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements included herein may constitute "forward-looking statements," which relate to future events or our future performance or financial condition. These statements are not guarantees of future performance, condition or results and involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements as a result of a number of factors, including those described from time to time in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. GSV Capital Corp. undertakes no duty to update any forward-looking statements made herein.

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