

## Impac Mortgage Holdings, Inc. Appoints Ernst & Young as Its Certifying Accountants

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NEWPORT BEACH, Calif., July 6, 2005 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX/ -- Impac Mortgage Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: IMH), or the "Company," a Maryland corporation, being taxed as a real estate investment trust, announced the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as its independent registered public accounting firm.

Impac Mortgage Holdings, Inc. is a mortgage real estate investment trust ("REIT"), which operates three core businesses: (1) the Long-Term Investment Operations, (2) the Mortgage Operations, and (3) the Warehouse Lending Operations. The Long-Term Investment Operations invests primarily in non-conforming "Alt-A" mortgage loans. The Mortgage Operations acquires, originates, sells and securitizes primarily Alt-A mortgage loans and the Warehouse Lending Operations provides short-term financing to mortgage loan originators. The Company is organized as a REIT for tax purposes, which generally allows it to pass through earnings to stockholders without federal income tax at the corporate level.

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