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**HORSERACING TV (TM) AND HAWTHORNE RACE COURSE
REACH AGREEMENT ON CARRIAGE**

Arcadia, CA, September 25 -- HorseRacing TV (TM) and Hawthorne Race Course today announced an agreement that provides for carriage of the Illinois track's races on HRTV through the remainder of 2006.

The agreement, which is effective immediately, calls for coverage as part of HRTV's daily schedule of Hawthorne racing cards, including post-parades, and analysis by HRTV's expert on-air talent. In conjunction with the agreement, telephone and Internet wagering on Hawthorne's races is available through XpressBet, the account wagering service operated by Magna Entertainment Corp., the parent company of HRTV.

"At HRTV, we have always taken pride in our ability to offer a broad cross-section of racing from around the country," said Jim Bates, executive vice president and general manager for HRTV. "We're obviously delighted to add a tremendous racetrack like Hawthorne to our programming line-up, and pleased that we will be able to bring our viewers some of the best racing from the Midwest this Fall."

"Over the past few years, HRTV has been recognized within the racing industry for its knowledgeable approach and production values," said Tim Carey, president of Hawthorne Race Course. "We are pleased to have reached this agreement with the network and look forward to working with them to increase the exposure of Illinois racing."

The Hawthorne racing season commenced on September 15. Racing is conducted five days a week, primarily on a Wednesday through Sunday schedule. Its stakes slate is highlighted by the Grade 2 \$500,000 Hawthorne Gold Cup this Saturday, September 30, and the Grade 3 \$250,000 Hawthorne Derby on October 14. Daily post time is 2:10 p.m. ET/11:10 a.m. PT.

About HRTV

HRTV (www.hrtv.com) is a 24-hour television network providing up to 15 hours per day of wire-to-wire coverage of live horse racing action from more than 70 thoroughbred, harness and quarter horse racetracks in the United States, Canada and Australia.

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