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## OREGON MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION ELECTS PLAZA HOME MORTGAGE'S JOHN FORSYTHE PRESIDENT

PORTLAND, Oct. 8, 2015 – <u>Plaza Home Mortgage</u> Regional Manager John Forsythe has been elected incoming president of the Oregon Mortgage Association. Forsythe co-manages Plaza's Portland branch, one of 12 branches nationwide. Forsythe will lead the organization for the remainder of this year and all of next year. Plaza is a top-five wholesale lender in the US by volume.

"My goal is to provide support to mortgage professionals in Oregon through education, organization and association," said Forsythe. "These activities ultimately advance home ownership and the home buying experience for all Oregonians."

Forsythe has been a member of OMA since 2012, and has served as a board member since 2013. He was vice president of the Seattle Mortgage Bankers Association, and is a former board member of the Washington Association of Mortgage Professionals.

"The Oregon Mortgage Association and its members are fortunate to have John Forsythe step up to lead the organization," said Andy W. Harris, CRMS, past president of the Oregon Association of Mortgage Professionals (now known as OMA). "John not only exudes positive energy to everyone he comes in contact with, his industry experience and unique passion will serve Oregon mortgage professionals and consumers well. I look forward to the perspective John will bring to current and future OMA members."

Forsythe joined Plaza Home Mortgage in 2003 as a regional manager in Bellevue, Washington. Under his co-leadership with Tom Tough, Plaza's Portland branch, which serves Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Alaska and Montana, has flourished. The branch funded approximately \$400 million in wholesale and correspondent loans in 2014.

## **About Plaza**

Plaza Home Mortgage is an independent wholesale and correspondent lender that originates, funds, services, and sells mortgage loans. Founded in 2000 and headquartered in San Diego, Plaza is one of the nation's top five wholesale mortgage lenders by volume, providing mortgage loans to borrowers in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Additionally, the company has a growing market share as a correspondent lender. In 2014, Plaza originated or purchased more than \$8.5 billion in mortgage loans.

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