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New York Mortgage Trust Engages Financial Advisor to Explore Strategic Alternatives NEW YORK, Oct. 31 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- New York Mortgage Trust, Inc. (NYSE: NTR) announced today that, in response to recent unusual market activity and inquiries received by the Company, the Company has engaged Milestone Advisors, LLC as its financial advisor to assist it in the review and exploration of its strategic alternatives. As a part of that process the Company is currently engaged in discussions regarding a possible sale or merger of the Company. The Company emphasized that it has not yet reached a definitive agreement with respect to a transaction and that there is no assurance that any definitive agreement will be reached. The Company further warned that in the event that a definitive agreement is reached, there is no assurance that the consideration payable to the Company's stockholders will be equal to or greater than the current market price of the Company's stock. The Company does not intend to make further public statements regarding this matter until either a definitive agreement is reached or discussions are terminated.

About New York Mortgage Trust

New York Mortgage Trust, Inc., a real estate investment trust (REIT), is engaged in the origination of and investment in residential mortgage loans throughout the United States. The Company, through its wholly owned taxable REIT subsidiary, The New York Mortgage Company, LLC (NYMC), originates a broad spectrum of residential loan products with a focus on high credit quality, or prime, loans. In addition to prime loans, NYMC also originates jumbo loans, alternative-A loans, sub-prime loans and home equity or second mortgage loans through its retail and wholesale origination branch network. The Company's REIT portfolio is comprised of securitized, high credit quality, adjustable and hybrid ARM loans, the majority of which, over time, will be originated by NYMC. As a REIT, the Company is not subject to federal income tax provided that it distributes at least 90% of its REIT income to shareholders.

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