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## **MFA Financial, Inc. Announces Second Quarter 2013 Preferred Dividend of \$0.39583 Per Share**

NEW YORK, May 20, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- MFA Financial, Inc. (NYSE: MFA) announced today that in accordance with the terms of its 7.50% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock (the "Series B Preferred Stock"), the Board of Directors has declared a preferred stock dividend of \$0.39583 per share for the quarter ending June 30, 2013. This dividend is payable on July 1, 2013, to preferred stockholders of record as of June 3, 2013.

The dividend is the first dividend being paid by MFA in respect of the Series B Preferred Stock and is payable in respect of the partial period commencing on April 15, 2013, the date of original issue of the Series B Preferred Stock, and ending on, and including, June 30, 2013.

MFA is a real estate investment trust primarily engaged in the business of investment, on a leveraged basis, in Agency and Non-Agency residential mortgage-backed securities.

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