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The Music of Hairspray Comes to a Record Store, TV Screen, iPod, and Cell Phone Near You

New Line Records Rolls Out *Hairspray* Soundtrack Featuring Three Original Songs And Zac Efron Single

LOS ANGELES (May 15, 2007) – New Line Records will release the official soundtrack to the upcoming New Line Cinema film *Hairspray* on July 10th. The first single from that album – “Ladies’ Choice,” performed by Zac Efron (star of the blockbuster *High School Musical*) – will be available for digital download on May 15th, it was announced today by Jason Linn, New Line’s Executive Vice President of Music. The musical comedy *Hairspray* arrives in theaters nationwide on July 20th.

In addition, “The Oprah Winfrey Show” will broadcast a special *Hairspray*-themed episode on May 16th (check local listings) featuring a medley performance of “Ladies’ Choice” by Efron, “Good Morning Baltimore” by Nikki Blonsky (who plays Tracy Turnblad in the film), and “Run Tell That” by Elijah Kelley (who plays Seaweed in the film). Additionally, selections from the soundtrack will be available **as audio and video ringtones on June 1st.**

The *Hairspray* soundtrack will feature 17 songs from the film, including three original numbers that were created specifically for the film version of the hit Broadway musical – “Ladies’ Choice,” “New Girl In Town,” and “Come So Far.” Also featured on the soundtrack are the songs “Good Morning Baltimore,” “Welcome to the ‘60s,” “Nicest Kids In Town,” and “You Can’t Stop The Beat.” The songs feature cast performances by John Travolta, Queen Latifah, Michelle Pfeiffer, Zac Efron, Amanda Bynes, Brittany Snow and Elijah Kelley among others.

The *Hairspray* soundtrack is produced by Marc Shaiman and features music by Shaiman and lyrics by Scott Wittman and Shaiman. It features tracks mixed by Ed Cherney (Rolling Stones, Bette Midler) and Peter Mokran (Pussycat Dolls, Christina Aguilera).

Sixteen years after the release of the original film, New Line Cinema is bringing a feature film adaptation of the Tony Award-winning Broadway production of *Hairspray* to life. Featuring new and original material based on John Waters’ 1988 cult classic about star-struck teenagers on a local Baltimore dance show, the comedy features a remarkable collection of talent including John Travolta, Queen

Latifah, Michelle Pfeiffer, Christopher Walken, Amanda Bynes, Allison Janney, Brittany Snow, Zac Efron, Elijah Kelley, producers Craig Zadan and Neil Meron (*Chicago*), and director Adam Shankman (*Bringing Down The House*). The new screenplay for *Hairspray* was written by Leslie Dixon (*Freaky Friday, Outrageous Fortune*).

About New Line Cinema Corporation:

Celebrating its 40th anniversary year, New Line Cinema is the most successful independent film company in the world. Its mission is to produce innovative, popular and profitable entertainment in the best creative environment. In addition to the production, marketing and distribution of theatrical motion pictures, the fully-integrated studio has divisions devoted to home entertainment, television, music, theater, merchandising and an international unit. In 2005, New Line partnered with HBO to form Picturehouse, a new theatrical distribution company to release independent films. A pioneer in franchise filmmaking, New Line's Oscar-winning *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy is one of the most successful film franchises in history. New Line is a division of Time Warner, Inc. (TWX).