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**The Institute of Management Accountants and Robert Half International Inc.
Now Accepting Nominations for the 2006 Financial Executive of the Year Award**

MONTVALE, NJ and MENLO PARK, CA -- In recognition of the innovative and outstanding achievements of professionals in the finance and accounting fields, the Institute of Management Accountants (IMA) and Robert Half International Inc. (RHI) are cosponsoring the 2006 Financial Executive of the Year Award. This is the fourth year the two organizations have collaborated to honor exceptional financial leaders. Nominations will be accepted today through May 31, 2006.

Awards will be presented in the fall to outstanding professionals in each of IMA's participating U.S. regions. In addition, one nominee will receive the distinction as the national Financial Executive of the Year.

"IMA is pleased to continue the tradition of recognizing excellence through the Financial Executive of the Year Award," said Paul Sharman, president and chief executive officer of IMA. "This award honors best-in-class management accounting and finance professionals who uphold IMA's principles of leadership, pride and credibility in the profession."

Paul Gentzkow, president and chief operating officer of staffing services for RHI, said, "The Financial Executive of the Year Award distinguishes the top financial leaders in the country and recognizes them for their integrity and hard work. Along with the IMA, we look forward to honoring the innovative practices and accomplishments of this year's winners."

All regional winners will receive a two-year IMA membership, an award and will be featured in Strategic Finance, IMA's award-winning magazine. In addition, the national winner will receive a three-year IMA membership and a \$2,500 scholarship donated to the school of his or her choice.

Both IMA members and non-members are eligible for the award, and any person interested can submit a nomination. The nomination form and additional information can be found at www.financialexecaward.org. Only online nominations will be accepted.

With a worldwide network of nearly 70,000 professionals, IMA® is the world's leading organization dedicated to empowering management accounting and finance professionals to drive business performance. IMA provides a dynamic forum for management accounting and finance professionals to develop and advance their careers through certification, research, practice development education, networking and the advocacy of the highest ethical and professional practices. For more information about IMA, visit www.imanet.org.

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