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**Epic Bancorp Announces 10% Increase in Dividend**  
**Quarterly Dividend increases to \$0.055 per share**

San Rafael, CA, May 6, 2008 — Epic Bancorp (the “Company”) (NASDAQ:EPIK), the parent company for Tamalpais Bank and Tamalpais Wealth Advisors, today reported that the Company’s Board of Directors has declared a cash dividend of \$0.055 per share. The dividend will be paid on May 30, 2008 to shareholders of record as of May 16, 2008. The \$0.055 dividend is 10% higher than the previous dividend of \$0.05 declared in January 2008 and October 2007, and is 22% higher than the \$.045 dividend declared in July and April 2007.

As previously announced, the Company reported record levels of net income and earnings per share in the first quarter of 2008.

"On the heels of our record financial performance, our Board has chosen to increase the quarterly dividend as an important element in our strategic plan to build long term shareholder value," said Mark Garwood, President/CEO. "The increasing quarterly dividend complements our strong balance sheet growth, robust earnings, minimal level of nonperforming assets, and an expanded presence in the local business banking community."

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### **About Epic Bancorp**

Epic Bancorp ([www.epicbancorp.com](http://www.epicbancorp.com)) based in San Rafael, CA, is the parent company of Tamalpais Bank and Tamalpais Wealth Advisors. The Company had \$601 million in assets and \$396 million in deposits as of March 31, 2008. Shares of the Company's common stock are traded on the NASDAQ Capital Market System under the symbol EPIK. For additional information, please contact Mark Garwood at 415-526-6400.

### **About Tamalpais Bank**

Tamalpais Bank, a wholly owned subsidiary of Epic Bancorp, operates seven branches in Marin County and loan production offices in Santa Rosa and Roseville, CA. The branches are located in Corte Madera, Greenbrae, Mill Valley, San Anselmo, San Rafael, Terra Linda, and Tiburon/Belvedere. For additional information, please contact Mark Chapman at 415-526-6485.

### **About Tamalpais Wealth Advisors**

Tamalpais Wealth Advisors, located in San Rafael, specializes in helping clients of Tamalpais Bank and other high net worth families and institutional clients reach their financial goals through a collaborative, comprehensive and education-oriented approach to investment management. Tamalpais Wealth Advisors had \$279 million in assets under management as of March 31, 2008. For additional information, please contact Bill Osher at 415-526-4300.

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