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## MARIAH CAREY GRABS 2 MTV VMA NOMINATIONS – BEST FEMALE VIDEO AND BEST R&B VIDEO FOR "WE BELONG TOGETHER"!

## MARIAH BECOMES 1<sup>st</sup> SOLO ARTIST TO TOP 8 BILLBOARD CHARTS, AS "WE BELONG TOGETHER" STAYS #1!

Mariah is nominated for 3 Teen Choice Awards, including Choice R&B Artist, Choice Love Song for "We Belong Together," and Choice Hip-Hop song for "It's Like That."

THE EMANCIPATION OF MIMI album crosses triple-platinum, 14th week in top 5

(July 25, 2005 – New York, NY) With <u>THE EMANCIPATION OF MIMI</u> crossing triple platinum, performer and songwriter Mariah Carey, who has been nominated for 2 MTV VMA awards for Best Female Music Video and Best R&B Music video for the #1 hit "We Belong Together," continues to make chart history this week. "We Belong Together" takes over the #1 spot on the <u>Billboard</u> Hot 100, Pop 100, Pop 100 Airplay, Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Songs, Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Airplay, Adult R&B (a career-first for Mariah), Rhythmic Top 40, and Mainstream Top 40 – and she becomes the <u>first</u> solo artist ever to top all eight charts concurrently, it was announced today by Antonio "L.A." Reid, Chairman, Island Def Jam Music Group.

While "We Belong Together" stays in its 8<sup>th</sup> (non-consecutive) week at #1 on the Hot 100 <u>and</u> 9<sup>th</sup> week on the Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Singles charts, "Shake It Off" is starting to bullet its way up the Monitors. The third single was #2 Most-Added at Pop radio last week, and #1 Greatest Gainer in audience and spins this week on the R&B/Hip-Hop Monitor, debuting at #52-bullet on the Airplay chart with a 25 million audience and over 3,600 spins. The video for "Shake It Off," directed by Jake Nava, will enjoy its premiere on BET's "Access Granted," immediately followed by MTV and VH1 on Wednesday, July 27<sup>th</sup>.

<u>THE EMANCIPATION OF MIMI</u> stays in the top 5 for a 14<sup>th</sup> consecutive week, after peaking at #1 twice, in April and again in June. Worldwide sales of the album have topped the 4 million mark.

Last month, Mariah became the first artist to break the 200 million one-week BDS Hot 100 audience barrier with "We Belong Together" (which went on to more than 212 million listens). "We Belong Together," written by Mariah and co-produced by her with Jermaine Dupri, became the first song to top 1 million BDS spins in a week at Yahoo's LAUNCHcast online radio, and remained #1 on the AOL song charts for 10 straight weeks. Named the biggest single in the history of both Mariah and the Island Def Jam Music Group, "We Belong Together," secured her place as the #1 most successful female artist of all time when it became her 16<sup>th</sup> song to top the Billboard Hot 100. This positions Mariah as the only active artist with the potential to match or surpass the Beatles (with 20 #1's) and Elvis Presley (18 #1's) in the modern era. (With 69 total weeks of #1 hits since 1990, Mariah also ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> only to Elvis, with 80 weeks.)

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