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O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE, INC. REPORTS SECOND QUARTER 2018 RESULTS

- Second quarter comparable store sales increase of 4.6%
- 38% increase in second quarter diluted earnings per share to \$4.28
- Net cash provided by operating activities increased 23%

Springfield, MO, July 25, 2018 – O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. (the "Company" or "O'Reilly") (*Nasdaq:* ORLY), a leading retailer in the automotive aftermarket industry, today announced record revenues and earnings for its second quarter ended June 30, 2018.

2nd Quarter Financial Results

Greg Johnson, O'Reilly's CEO and Co-President, commented, "We are very pleased to report another profitable quarter, highlighted by a solid 4.6% increase in comparable store sales, which exceeded the top of our guidance range for the second quarter. Our top-line performance, driven by Team O'Reilly's commitment to providing consistent, excellent customer service, and our relentless focus on profitable growth resulted in a 38% increase in diluted earnings per share to \$4.28 for the second quarter. I would like to thank each of our nearly 80,000 Team Members for their dedication and hard work, which continues to be the catalyst for our long-term success."

Sales for the second quarter ended June 30, 2018, increased \$165 million, or 7%, to \$2.46 billion from \$2.29 billion for the same period one year ago. Gross profit for the second quarter increased 7% to \$1.29 billion (or 52.5% of sales) from \$1.20 billion (or 52.4% of sales) for the same period one year ago. Selling, general and administrative expenses ("SG&A") for the second quarter increased 9% to \$809 million (or 33.0% of sales) from \$743 million (or 32.4% of sales) for the same period one year ago. Operating income for the second quarter increased 5% to \$479 million (or 19.5% of sales) from \$457 million (or 20.0% of sales) for the same period one year ago. The Company's second quarter 2017 operating income included the benefit of a \$9 million reduction in its legal accruals following the expiration of the statute of limitations related to a legacy claim, which decreased second quarter 2017 SG&A and increased second quarter 2017 operating margin by 40 basis points.

Net income for the second quarter ended June 30, 2018, increased \$70 million, or 25%, to \$353 million (or 14.4% of sales) from \$283 million (or 12.3% of sales) for the same period one year ago. Diluted earnings per common share for the second quarter increased 38% to \$4.28 on 83 million shares versus \$3.10 on 91 million shares for the same period one year ago.

Year-to-Date Financial Results

Sales for the first six months of 2018 increased \$292 million, or 7%, to \$4.74 billion from \$4.45 billion for the same period one year ago. Gross profit for the first six months of 2018 increased 7% to \$2.49 billion (or 52.5% of sales) from \$2.33 billion (or 52.4% of sales) for the same period one year ago. SG&A for the first six months of 2018 increased 8% to \$1.59 billion (or 33.5% of sales) from \$1.47 billion (or 33.1% of sales) for the same period one year ago. Operating income for the first six months of 2018 increased 5% to \$902 million (or 19.0% of sales) from \$861 million (or 19.4% of sales) for the same period one year ago.

Net income for the first six months of 2018 increased \$110 million, or 20%, to \$658 million (or 13.9% of sales) from \$548 million (or 12.3% of sales) for the same period one year ago. Diluted earnings per common share for the first six months of 2018 increased 33% to \$7.89 on 83 million shares versus \$5.93 on 92 million shares for the same period one year ago.

Mr. Johnson continued, "We are establishing our third quarter comparable store sales guidance at a range of 2% to 4%. We expect solid business trends to continue; however, during the quarter we face the headwind from an additional Sunday, our lowest volume day, and short-term pressure to miles driven, as consumers adjust to increasing gas prices. Based on our strong year-to-date performance, we are increasing our full-year earnings per share guidance from a range of \$15.30 to \$15.40 to a range of \$15.70 to \$15.80."

Mr. Johnson concluded, "We opened 128 net, new stores during the first half of 2018, and we are very well positioned to achieve our target of 200 net, new stores. Our new stores continue to perform well, and we remain confident in our ability to grow our market share in both new and existing areas. Overall, the long-term demand drivers in our industry remain solid, including a growing and aging vehicle fleet driven over three trillion miles each year, and we are extremely confident in our Team's ability to continue to provide industry-leading customer service, supported by unsurpassed parts availability. We would like to again thank Team O'Reilly for our solid results in the first half of 2018, and we look forward to building on that success during the second half of the year."

Share Repurchase Program

During the second quarter ended June 30, 2018, the Company repurchased 1.6 million shares of its common stock, at an average price per share of \$264.38, for a total investment of \$416 million. During the first six months ended June 30, 2018, the Company repurchased 3.8 million shares of its common stock, at an average price per share of \$256.64, for a total investment of \$966 million. Subsequent to the end of the second quarter and through the date of this release, the Company repurchased an additional 0.5 million shares of its common stock, at an average price per share of \$281.68, for a total investment of \$132 million. The Company has repurchased a total of 70.5 million shares of its common stock under its share repurchase program since the inception of the program in January of 2011 and through the date of this release, at an average price of \$143.76, for a total aggregate investment of \$10.13 billion. As of the date of this release, the Company had approximately \$618 million remaining under its current share repurchase authorization.

2nd Quarter Comparable Store Sales Results

Comparable store sales are calculated based on the change in sales for stores open at least one year and exclude sales of specialty machinery, sales to independent parts stores and sales to Team Members. Online sales, resulting from ship-to-home orders and pick-up-in-store orders, for stores open at least one year, are included in the comparable store sales calculation. Comparable store sales increased 4.6% for the second quarter ended June 30, 2018, on top of 1.7% for the same period one year ago. Comparable store sales increased 4.0% for the six months ended June 30, 2018, on top of 1.3% for the same period one year ago.

3rd Quarter and Updated Full-Year 2018 Guidance

The table below outlines the Company's guidance for selected third quarter and updated full-year 2018 financial data:

	For the Three Months Ending September 30, 2018	For the Year Ending December 31, 2018
Comparable store sales	2% to 4%	2% to 4%
Total revenue		\$9.4 billion to \$9.6 billion
Gross profit as a percentage of sales		52.5% to 53.0%
Operating income as a percentage of sales		18.5% to 19.0%
Effective income tax rate		22% to 23%
Diluted earnings per share (1)	\$4.20 to \$4.30	\$15.70 to \$15.80
Net cash provided by operating activities		\$1.62 billion to \$1.75 billion
Capital expenditures		\$490 million to \$520 million
Free cash flow (2)		\$1.1 billion to \$1.2 billion

Weighted-average shares outstanding, assuming dilution, used in the denominator of this calculation, includes share repurchases made by the Company through the date of this release.

Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure. The table below reconciles Free cash flow guidance to Net cash provided by operating activities guidance, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure:

(in millions)	For the Year December	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 1,620 to	\$ 1,750
Less: Capital expenditures	490 to	520
Excess tax benefit from share-based compensation payments	30 to	30
Free cash flow	\$ 1,100 to	\$ 1,200

Non-GAAP Information

This release contains certain financial information not derived in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). These items include adjusted debt to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, share-based compensation and rent ("EBITDAR") and free cash flow. The Company does not, nor does it suggest investors should, consider such non-GAAP financial measures in isolation from, or as a substitute for, GAAP financial information. The Company believes that the presentation of adjusted debt to EBITDAR and free cash flow provide meaningful supplemental information to both management and investors that is indicative of the Company's core operations. The Company has included a reconciliation of this additional information to the most comparable GAAP measure in the table above and the selected financial information below.

Earnings Conference Call Information

The Company will host a conference call on Thursday, July 26, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. Central Time to discuss its results as well as future expectations. Investors may listen to the conference call live on the Company's website at www.OReillyAuto.com by clicking on "Investor Relations" and then "News Room." Interested analysts are invited to join the call. The dial-in number for the call is (847) 619-6397; the conference call identification number is 47086777. A replay of the conference call will be available on the Company's website through Thursday, July 25, 2019.

About O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.

O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. was founded in 1957 by the O'Reilly family and is one of the largest specialty retailers of automotive aftermarket parts, tools, supplies, equipment and accessories in the United States, serving both the do-it-yourself and professional service provider markets. Visit the Company's website at www.OReillyAuto.com for additional information about O'Reilly, including access to online shopping and current promotions, store locations, hours and services, employment opportunities and other programs. As of June 30, 2018, the Company operated 5,147 stores in 47 states.

Forward-Looking Statements

The Company claims the protection of the safe-harbor for forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. You can identify these statements by forward-looking words such as "estimate," "may," "could," "will," "believe," "expect," "would," "consider," "should," "anticipate," "project," "plan," "intend" or similar

words. In addition, statements contained within this press release that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements, such as statements discussing, among other things, expected growth, store development, integration and expansion strategy, business strategies, the impact of the U.S. Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, future revenues and future performance. These forward-looking statements are based on estimates, projections, beliefs and assumptions and are not guarantees of future events and results. Such statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including, but not limited to, the economy in general, inflation, product demand, the market for auto parts, competition, weather, risks associated with the performance of acquired businesses, our ability to hire and retain qualified employees, consumer debt levels, our increased debt levels, credit ratings on public debt, governmental regulations, terrorist activities, war and the threat of war. Actual results may materially differ from anticipated results described or implied in these forward-looking statements. Please refer to the "Risk Factors" section of the annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017, for additional factors that could materially affect the Company's financial performance. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they were made and the Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by applicable law.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except share data)

	Ju	ne 30, 2018	Ju	ne 30, 2017	December 31, 2017		
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Assets							
Current assets:							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	36,868	\$	26,528	\$	46,348	
Accounts receivable, net		241,142		203,673		216,251	
Amounts receivable from suppliers		78,950		61,876		76,236	
Inventory		3,091,719		2,959,315		3,009,800	
Other current assets		52,038		38,197		49,037	
Total current assets		3,500,717		3,289,589		3,397,672	
Property and equipment, at cost		5,384,634		5,035,242		5,191,135	
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization		1,949,750		1,805,844		1,847,329	
Net property and equipment		3,434,884		3,229,398		3,343,806	
Goodwill		789,104		786,938		789,058	
Other assets, net		42,035		39,773		41,349	
Total assets	\$	7,766,740	\$	7,345,698	\$	7,571,885	
Liabilities and shareholders' equity Current liabilities:							
Accounts payable	\$	3,314,671	\$	3,091,888	\$	3,190,029	
Self-insurance reserves		74,018		70,198		71,695	
Accrued payroll		81,245		70,538		77,147	
Accrued benefits and withholdings		73,006		59,099		69,308	
Income taxes payable		13,676		31,803		_	
Other current liabilities		262,302		242,607		239,187	
Total current liabilities		3,818,918		3,566,133		3,647,366	
Long-term debt		3,253,538		2,604,062		2,978,390	
Deferred income taxes		94,430		98,048		85,406	
Other liabilities		214,864		208,143		207,677	
Shareholders' equity:							
Common stock, \$0.01 par value:							
Authorized shares – 245,000,000							
Issued and outstanding shares –							
80,987,794 as of June 30, 2018,							
87,998,971 as of June 30, 2017, and							
84,302,187 as of December 31, 2017		810		880		843	
Additional paid-in capital		1,247,837		1,296,674		1,265,043	
Retained deficit		(863,657)		(428,242)		(612,840	
Total shareholders' equity		384,990		869,312		653,046	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	7,766,740	\$	7,345,698	\$	7,571,885	

Note: The balance sheet at December 31, 2017, has been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements at that date but does not include all of the information and footnotes required by United States generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Fo	For the Three Months Ended June 30,			For the Six Months Endo June 30,			
		2018		2017		2018		2017
Sales	\$	2,456,073	\$	2,290,829	\$	4,738,754	\$	4,447,088
Cost of goods sold, including warehouse and distribution expenses		1,167,435		1,090,767		2,248,858		2,115,879
Gross profit		1,288,638		1,200,062		2,489,896		2,331,209
Selling, general and administrative expenses		809,488		742,617		1,587,900		1,470,607
Operating income		479,150		457,445		901,996		860,602
Other income (expense):								
Interest expense		(30,862)		(20,827)		(59,079)		(40,231)
Interest income		597		470		1,169		1,176
Other, net		988		(762)		1,193		3
Total other expense		(29,277)		(21,119)		(56,717)		(39,052)
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Income before income taxes		449,873		436,326		845,279		821,550
Provision for income taxes		96,800		153,505		187,300		273,795
Net income	\$	353,073	\$	282,821	\$	657,979	\$	547,755
Earnings per share-basic:								
Earnings per share	\$	4.32	\$	3.14	\$	7.96	\$	6.02
Weighted-average common shares outstanding – basic		81,733		90,030		82,624		91,012
Earnings per share-assuming dilution:								
Earnings per share	\$	4.28	\$	3.10	\$	7.89	\$	5.93
Weighted-average common shares outstanding – assuming dilution		82,536		91,299		83,430		92,347

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited) (In thousands)

For the	Six	Months	Ended					
June 30.								

	June 30,				
		2018	2017		
Operating activities:					
Net income	\$	657,979	\$	547,755	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		,		,	
Depreciation and amortization of property, equipment and intangibles		130,792		114,959	
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs		1,649		1,344	
Deferred income taxes		9,024		8,049	
Share-based compensation programs		10,152		10,353	
Other		4,653		6,037	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		,		,	
Accounts receivable		(29,550)		(10,797	
Inventory		(81,614)		(179,866	
Accounts payable		124,642		155,124	
Income taxes payable		26,439		58,173	
Other		21,067		(624)	
Net cash provided by operating activities		875,233		710,507	
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Investing activities:		(224 117)		(227.506	
Purchases of property and equipment		(224,117)		(227,506	
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		2,936		752	
Other	_	(424)		(1,967	
Net cash used in investing activities		(221,605)		(228,721	
Financing activities:					
Proceeds from borrowings on revolving credit facility		1,429,000		1,782,000	
Payments on revolving credit facility		(1,650,000)		(1,066,000	
Proceeds from the issuance of long-term debt		498,660		_	
Payment of debt issuance costs		(3,923)		(1,827	
Repurchases of common stock		(965,867)		(1,342,591	
Net proceeds from issuance of common stock		31,178		26,718	
Other		(2,156)		(156	
Net cash used in financing activities		(663,108)		(601,856	
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(9,480)		(120,070	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period		46,348		146,598	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	\$	36,868	\$	26,528	
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:					
Income taxes paid	\$	150,990	\$	203,780	
Interest paid, net of capitalized interest	Ψ	55,556	Ψ	37,151	
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SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Unaudited)

		Ended			
Adjusted Debt to EBITDAR:		2018	2017		
(In thousands, except adjusted debt to EBITDAR ratio)					
GAAP debt	\$	3,253,538	\$	2,604,062	
Add: Letters of credit		36,943		41,196	
Discount on senior notes		4,700		2,854	
Debt issuance costs		16,762		9,083	
Six-times rent expense		1,851,396		1,743,720	
Adjusted debt	\$	5,163,339	\$	4,400,915	
GAAP net income	\$	1,244,028	\$	1,072,278	
Add: Interest expense		110,197		77,640	
Provision for income taxes		417,505		572,095	
Depreciation and amortization		249,678		226,395	
Share-based compensation expense		19,200		19,359	
Rent expense		308,566		290,620	
EBITDAR	\$	2,349,174	\$	2,258,387	

	June 30,							
			2017					
Selected Balance Sheet Ratios:								
Inventory turnover (1)		1.4		1.5				
Average inventory per store (in thousands) (2)	\$	601	\$	600				
Accounts payable to inventory (3)		107.2%		104.5%				
Return on assets (4)		16.3%		14.7%				

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Adjusted debt to EBITDAR

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,					For the Six Months Ended June 30,			
		2018	2017		2018			2017	
Reconciliation of Free Cash Flow (in thousands):									
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	442,956	\$	333,807	\$	875,233	\$	710,507	
Less: Capital expenditures		109,274		116,874		224,117		227,506	
Excess tax benefit from share-based compensation payments		13,290		9,165		19,608		32,479	
Free cash flow	\$	320,392	\$	207,768	\$	631,508	\$	450,522	

Store and Team Member Information:

	For the Three Mo June 3		For the Six Moi June 3		For the Twelve I June		
	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	
Beginning store count	5,097	4,888	5,019	4,829	4,934	4,660	
New stores opened	54	50	132	110	220	232	
Stores acquired	_	_	_	_	_	48	
Stores closed	(4)	(4)	(4)	(5)	(7)	(6)	
Ending store count	5,147	4,934	5,147	4,934	5,147	4,934	

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,					For the Twelve Months Ended June 30,				
		2018		2017		2018		2017		
Total employment		79,598		75,692						
Square footage (in thousands)		37,781		35,940						
Sales per weighted-average square foot (5)	\$	64.94	\$	63.64	\$	249.98	\$	249.18		
Sales per weighted-average store (in thousands) (6)	\$	476	\$	463	\$	1,827	\$	1,811		

⁽¹⁾ Calculated as cost of goods sold for the last 12 months divided by average inventory. Average inventory is calculated as the average of inventory for the trailing four quarters used in determining the denominator.

⁽²⁾ Calculated as inventory divided by store count at the end of the reported period.

⁽³⁾ Calculated as accounts payable divided by inventory.

⁽⁴⁾ Calculated as net income for the last 12 months divided by average total assets. Average total assets is calculated as the average of total assets for the trailing four quarters used in determining the denominator.

⁽⁵⁾ Calculated as sales less jobber sales, divided by weighted-average square footage. Weighted-average square footage is determined by weighting store square footage based on the approximate dates of store openings, acquisitions, expansions or closures.

⁽⁶⁾ Calculated as sales less jobber sales, divided by weighted-average stores. Weighted-average stores is determined by weighting stores based on their approximate dates of openings, acquisitions or closures.