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O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE, INC. REPORTS FIRST QUARTER 2015 RESULTS

- Comparable store sales increase of 7.2%
- 28% increase in diluted earnings per share to \$2.06
- Record first quarter operating margin of 18.4%

Springfield, MO, April 22, 2015 – 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 first quarter ended March 31, 2015.

1st Quarter Financial Results

Sales for the first quarter ended March 31, 2015, increased \$174 million, or 10%, to \$1.90 billion from \$1.73 billion for the same period one year ago. Gross profit for the first quarter increased to \$987 million (or 51.9% of sales) from \$878 million (or 50.8% of sales) for the same period one year ago, representing an increase of 12%. Selling, general and administrative expenses for the first quarter increased to \$637 million (or 33.5% of sales) from \$591 million (or 34.2% of sales) for the same period one year ago, representing an increase of 8%. Operating income for the first quarter increased to \$350 million (or 18.4% of sales) from \$287 million (or 16.6% of sales) for the same period one year ago, representing an increase of 22%.

Net income for the first quarter ended March 31, 2015, increased \$39 million, or 22%, to \$213 million (or 11.2% of sales) from \$174 million (or 10.1% of sales) for the same period one year ago. Diluted earnings per common share for the first quarter increased 28% to \$2.06 on 103 million shares versus \$1.61 for the same period one year ago on 108 million shares.

Commenting on the Company's first quarter results, President and CEO Greg Henslee stated, "We are extremely proud to once again report another profitable quarter and a very successful start to 2015. Demand in our industry remained strong throughout the quarter, and our relentless focus on providing unsurpassed levels of service to our customers yielded a very strong 7.2% increase in comparable store sales, which was on top of an increase of 6.3% in the first quarter of 2014. Our ongoing focus on profitable growth successfully translated these impressive top-line results into a record first quarter operating margin of 18.4% and diluted earnings per share of \$2.06, which is a 28% increase over the first quarter of 2014. The first quarter of 2015 represents our 25th consecutive quarter of generating diluted earnings per share growth greater than 15%. Our record breaking results are a testament to Team O'Reilly's unwavering commitment to providing consistently high levels of service to our customers each day, and I would like to thank our over 69,000 Team Members for their hard work and dedication to our ongoing success."

Mr. Henslee continued, "During the first quarter, we opened 67 new stores across 23 states, in both new and existing markets, and we are on pace to achieve our target of 205 net, new store openings in 2015. One of the keys to our long-term success has been our robust, tiered, regional distribution network that supports our stores with industry leading parts availability. We continually evaluate the capacity in our distribution network and look for opportunities to profitably improve the level of parts availability at our stores. With our eyes on current opportunities and long term growth, we are excited to announce the expansion of our distribution network with the planned addition of a Distribution Center just outside of San Antonio, Texas. Texas continues to be a strong growth market for O'Reilly, and we look forward to the enhanced level of service this Distribution Center will add in the San Antonio and Austin metro markets while also freeing up capacity in our three existing Texas

Distribution Centers. We are in the very early stages of this project, and anticipate this facility will open in the second quarter of 2016."

Share Repurchase Program

During the first quarter ended March 31, 2015, the Company repurchased 0.6 million shares of its common stock, at an average price per share of \$207.50, for a total investment of \$135 million. Subsequent to the end of the first quarter and through the date of this release, the Company repurchased an additional 0.3 million shares of its common stock, at an average price per share of \$216.85, for a total investment of \$75 million. The Company has repurchased a total of 47.3 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 \$93.58, for a total aggregate investment of \$4.43 billion. As of the date of this release, the Company had approximately \$570 million remaining under its current share repurchase authorizations.

1st 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. Comparable store sales increased 7.2% for the first quarter ended March 31, 2015, versus 6.3% for the same period one year ago.

2nd Quarter and Updated Full-Year 2015 Guidance

The table below outlines the Company's guidance for selected second quarter and updated full-year 2015 financial data:

	For the Three Months Ending	For the Year Ending
	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2015
Comparable store sales	3.0% to 5.0%	3.0% to 5.0%
Total revenue		\$7.6 billion to \$7.8 billion
Gross profit as a percentage of sales		51.8% to 52.2%
Operating income as a percentage of sales		18.3% to 18.7%
Diluted earnings per share (1)	\$2.17 to \$2.21	\$8.42 to \$8.52
Capital expenditures		\$400 million to \$430 million
Free cash flow (2)		\$700 million to \$750 million

- (1) 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.
- (2) Calculated as net cash provided by operating activities less capital expenditures for the period.

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 selected financial information below.

Earnings Conference Call Information

The Company will host a conference call on Thursday, April 23, 2015, 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) 585-4405; the conference call identification number is 39202473. A replay of the conference call will be available on the Company's website through April 22, 2016.

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 March 31, 2015, the Company operated 4,433 stores in 43 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, 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, 2014, 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)

March 31, 2015		N	March 31, 2014	December 31, 2014			
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Assets							
Current assets:							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	473,646	\$	511,831	\$	250,560	
Accounts receivable, net		162,020		142,703		143,900	
Amounts receivable from suppliers		69,545		69,034		69,311	
Inventory		2,527,982		2,397,042		2,554,789	
Other current assets		40,928		40,663		48,418	
Total current assets		3,274,121		3,161,273		3,066,978	
Property and equipment, at cost		4,080,350		3,676,061		3,993,509	
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization		1,381,502		1,212,962		1,334,949	
Net property and equipment		2,698,848		2,463,099		2,658,560	
Notes receivable, less current portion		12,414		12,165		13,349	
Goodwill		756,384		756,225		756,384	
Other assets, net		43,943		37,011		45,030	
Total assets	\$	6,785,710	\$	6,429,773	\$	6,540,301	
Liabilities and shareholders' equity Current liabilities:							
Accounts payable	\$	2,470,749	\$	2,160,897	\$	2,417,167	
Self-insurance reserves	J.	67,676	Ψ	68,625	Ψ	64,882	
Accrued payroll		75,059		64,473		78,442	
Accrued benefits and withholdings		42,413		42,405		62,946	
Deferred income taxes		16,651		21,977		17,258	
Income taxes payable		78,939		51,971			
Other current liabilities		200,888		187,428		189,836	
Current portion of long-term debt		6		74		25	
Total current liabilities		2,952,381		2,597,850		2,830,556	
Long-term debt, less current portion		1,396,741		1,396,242		1,396,615	
Deferred income taxes		81,330		75,162		85,164	
Other liabilities		211,758		197,295		209,548	
Shareholders' equity: Common stock, \$0.01 par value: Authorized shares – 245,000,000 Issued and outstanding shares – 101,347,744 as of March 31, 2015, 106,303,884 as of March 31, 2014, and							
101,602,935 as of December 31, 2014		1,013		1,063		1,016	
Additional paid-in capital		1,234,133		1,162,413		1,194,929	
Retained earnings		908,354		999,748		822,473	
Total shareholders' equity		2,143,500		2,163,224		2,018,418	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>\$</u>	6,785,710	\$	6,429,773	\$	6,540,301	
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Note: The balance sheet at December 31, 2014, 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)

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,				
	2015	2014			
Sales	\$ 1,901,903	\$ 1,727,943			
Cost of goods sold, including warehouse and distribution expenses	914,944	850,227			
Gross profit	986,959	877,716			
Selling, general and administrative expenses	636,586	590,596			
Operating income	350,373	287,120			
Other income (expense):					
Interest expense	(14,402	(13,409)			
Interest income	580	631			
Other, net	1,113	618			
Total other expense	(12,709	(12,160)			
Income before income taxes	337,664	274,960			
Provision for income taxes	124,800	101,100			
Net income	\$ 212,864	\$ 173,860			
Earnings per share-basic:					
Earnings per share	\$ 2.09	\$ 1.64			
Weighted-average common shares outstanding – basic	101,612	106,191			
Earnings per share-assuming dilution:					
Earnings per share	\$ 2.06	\$ 1.61			
Weighted-average common shares outstanding – assuming dilution	103,257	108,070			

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited) (In thousands)

	For the Three Months End March 31,			
		2015		2014
Operating activities:		-1-051	Φ.	4=0.00
Net income	\$	212,864	\$	173,860
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		7 40 7 0		
Depreciation and amortization of property, equipment and intangibles		54,950		47,477
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs		525		520
Excess tax benefit from stock options exercised		(21,188)		(17,850)
Deferred income taxes		(4,441)		(3,796)
Share-based compensation programs		5,890		5,096
Other		1,355		1,526
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Accounts receivable		(19,867)		(13,016)
Inventory		26,807		(21,994)
Accounts payable		53,582		104,376
Income taxes payable		117,221		69,922
Other		(21,673)		(572)
Net cash provided by operating activities		406,025	-	345,549
Investing activities:				
Purchases of property and equipment		(91,140)		(83,085)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		658		287
Payments received on notes receivable		935		900
Net cash used in investing activities		(89,547)		(81,898)
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Financing activities:				
Principal payments on capital leases		(19)		(18)
Repurchases of common stock		(134,813)		(22,067)
Excess tax benefit from stock options exercised		21,188		17,850
Net proceeds from issuance of common stock		20,252		21,097
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities		(93,392)		16,862
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		223,086		280,513
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period		250,560		231,318
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	\$	473,646	\$	511,831
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:				
Income taxes paid	\$	8,675	\$	33,331
Interest paid, net of capitalized interest		23,435		22,419

SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Unaudited)

For th	ie Twelve	Months •	Ended
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3,259		3,764
1,597,278		1,540,488
\$ 3,047,790	\$	2,995,269
\$ 817,186	\$	689,823
54,283		51,083
467,700		403,450
201,678		186,478
23,889		21,221
266,213		256,748
\$ 1,830,949	\$	1,608,803
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March 31, 2015 2014 **Selected Balance Sheet Ratios:** 1.4 1.4 Inventory turnover (1) Inventory turnover, net of payables (2) 30.8 11.8 \$ \$ Average inventory per store (in thousands) (3) 570 569 97.7% Accounts payable to inventory (4) 90.1% 33.8% Return on equity (5) 39.6% 12.4% 11.1% Return on assets (6)

For the Three Months Ended March 31,

	2015	2014
Selected Financial Information (in thousands):		
Capital expenditures	\$ 91,140	\$ 83,085
Free cash flow (7)	314,885	262,464
Depreciation and amortization	54,950	47,477
Interest expense	14,402	13,409
Rent expense	\$ 67,938	\$ 64,753

Store and Team Member Information:

	For the Three M March		For the Twelve Months Ended March 31,			
	2015	2014	2015	2014		
Beginning store count	4,366	4,166	4,216	4,041		
New stores opened	67	51	223	180		
Stores closed	_	(1)	(6)	(5)		
Ending store count	4,433	4,216	4,433	4,216		

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,			For the Twelve Months Ended March 31,				
		2015		2014		2015		2014
Total employment		69,708		64,676				
Square footage (in thousands)		32,101		30,454				
Sales per weighted-average square foot (8)	\$	59.24	\$	56.47	\$	234.98	\$	226.10
Sales per weighted-average store (in thousands) (9)	\$	429	\$	408	\$	1,699	\$	1,630

- 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 cost of goods sold for the last 12 months divided by average net inventory. Average net inventory is calculated as the average of inventory less accounts payable for the trailing four quarters used in determining the denominator.
- (3) Calculated as inventory divided by store count at the end of the reported period.
- (4) Calculated as accounts payable divided by inventory.
- (5) Calculated as net income for the last 12 months divided by average total shareholders' equity. Average total shareholders' equity is calculated as the average of total shareholders' equity for the trailing four quarters used in determining the denominator.
- (6) 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.
- (7) Calculated as net cash provided by operating activities less capital expenditures for the period.
- (8) 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 closings.
- (9) Calculated as sales less jobber sales, divided by weighted-average stores. Weighted-average stores is determined by weighting stores based on their approximate opening, acquisition or closing dates.