True North Commercial Real Estate Investment Trust Completes Previously Announced \$57,500,000 Offering of Trust Units With Full Exercise of Over-Allotment Option

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TORONTO, July 20, 2018 – True North Commercial Real Estate Investment Trust (the "**REIT**") (TSX: TNT.UN) is pleased to announce it has closed its previously announced bought deal offering (the "**Offering**") of trust units ("**Units**") with a syndicate of underwriters (the "**Underwriters**") led by CIBC Capital Markets and Raymond James Ltd. An aggregate of 9,012,550 Units were issued by the REIT at a price of \$6.38 per Unit, including 1,175,550 Units issued on the full exercise of the Underwriters' overallotment option, for aggregate gross proceeds of approximately \$57.50 million. Certain trustees and officers of the REIT purchased an aggregate of 187,700 Units pursuant to the Offering.

The REIT intends to deploy the majority of the net proceeds from the Offering to fund the cash portion of the potential acquisition of seven high-quality office properties (the "**Potential Acquisition Properties**") located in strategic urban markets across Canada featuring strong tenant profiles. The Potential Acquisition Properties are comprised of 486,000 leaseable square feet with a combined occupancy of 100%, a weighted average remaining lease term of 8.3 years, 70% of revenue generated from government and credit rated tenants and an implied combined capitalization rate of 6.7%. Until deployed for these purposes, the REIT intends to repay existing outstanding indebtedness on its credit facility. The Offering was not conditional on the closing of any of the Potential Acquisition Properties. Certain of the net proceeds will be used to fund other potential future acquisitions.

About the **REIT**

The REIT is an unincorporated, open-ended real estate investment trust established under the laws of the Province of Ontario. The REIT currently owns and operates a portfolio of 41 commercial properties consisting of approximately 3.3 million square feet in urban and select strategic secondary markets across Canada. The REIT is focused on growing its portfolio principally through acquisitions across Canada and such other jurisdictions where opportunities exist.

For complete financial statements and management's discussion and analysis for the period, and any other information relating to the REIT, please visit **www.sedar.com** or the REIT's website at **www.truenorthreit.com**.

Forward-looking Statements

Certain statements contained in this news release constitute forward-looking information within the meaning of Canadian securities laws. Forward-looking statements are provided for the purposes of assisting the reader in understanding the REIT's financial performance, financial position and cash flows as at and for the periods ended on certain dates and to present information about management's current expectations and plans relating to the future and readers are cautioned such statements may not be appropriate for other purposes. Forward-looking information may relate to future results, performance, achievements, events, prospects or opportunities for the REIT or the real estate industry, outlook and

anticipated events or results, and may include statements regarding the use of proceeds from the Offering including the acquisition of the Potential Acquisition Properties, the repayment and reborrowing of indebtedness by the REIT, the completion of future acquisitions or investments by the REIT, as well as the financial position, business strategy, budgets, projected costs, capital expenditures, financial results, financing rates and costs, taxes, plans and objectives of or involving the REIT. In some cases, forward-looking information can be identified by such terms as "may", "might", "will", "could", "should", "occur", "expect", "plan", "anticipate", "believe", "intend", "seek", "aim", "estimate", "target", "goal", "project", "predict", "forecast", "potential", "continue", "likely", "schedule" or the negative thereof or other similar expressions concerning matters that are not historical facts.

Forward-looking statements necessarily involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties, which may be general or specific and which give rise to the possibility that expectations, forecasts, predictions, projections or conclusions will not prove to be accurate, assumptions may not be correct and objectives, strategic goals and priorities may not be achieved. A variety of factors, many of which are beyond the REIT's control, affect the operations, performance and results of the REIT and its business, and could cause actual results to differ materially from current expectations of estimated or anticipated events or results. These factors include, but are not limited to, risks related to the trust units and risks related to the REIT's Annual Information Form for the year ended December 31, 2017, annual MD&A at "Risks and Uncertainties" and the risks discussed in the REIT's materials filed with Canadian securities regulatory authorities from time to time on **www.sedar.com**. The reader is cautioned to consider these and other factors, uncertainties and potential events carefully and not to put undue reliance on forward-looking statements as there can be no assurance actual results will be consistent with such forward-looking statements.

Information contained in forward-looking statements is based upon certain material assumptions that were applied in drawing a conclusion or making a forecast or projection, including management's perceptions of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other considerations that are believed to be appropriate in the circumstances, including the following: the REIT will acquire all of the Potential Acquisition Properties; the Canadian economy will remain stable over the next 12 months; inflation will remain relatively low; interest rates will remain stable; conditions within the real estate market, including competition for acquisitions, will be consistent with the current climate; the Canadian capital markets will continue to provide the REIT with access to equity and/or debt at reasonable rates when required; a wholly-owned subsidiary of Starlight Group Property Holdings Inc. will continue its involvement as asset manager of the REIT in accordance with its current asset management agreement; and the risks identified or referenced above, collectively, will not have a material impact on the REIT. While management considers these assumptions to be reasonable based on currently available information, they may prove to be incorrect.

The forward-looking statements made in this news release are dated and relate only to events or information as of the date of this news release. Except as specifically required by applicable law, the REIT undertakes no obligation to update or revise publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, after the date on which the statements are made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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