

Granite Point Mortgage Trust Inc. Reports Third Quarter 2017 Financial Results and Post-Quarter End Business Update

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- <u>Granite Point Mortgage Trust Inc.</u> (NYSE: GPMT), a commercial real estate investment trust (REIT) focused on directly originating, investing in and managing senior floating rate commercial mortgage loans and other debt and debt-like commercial real estate investments, today announced its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2017 and provided an update on its activities subsequent to quarterend. A presentation containing third quarter 2017 highlights and an investment update can be viewed at www.gpmortgagetrust.com.

Third Quarter 2017 Summary

- Delivered GAAP net income of \$11.5 million or \$0.27 per common share; Core Earnings of \$11.9 million or \$0.28 per common share⁽¹⁾; taxable income of \$14.3 million or \$0.33 per common share; and book value of \$19.22 per common share.
- Closed 11 senior floating rate commercial real estate loans with total commitments of approximately \$450.4 million having a weighted average stabilized loan-to-value ratio (LTV) of 66%⁽²⁾ and a weighted average yield of LIBOR + 4.89%⁽³⁾; funded \$379.8 million of principal balance of loans and an additional \$13.6 million of existing loan commitments, bringing total fundings to \$393.4 million.
- Owned a portfolio with a principal balance of \$2.2 billion, which was 97% floating rate in predominantly senior commercial mortgage loans with a weighted average stabilized LTV of 64%.⁽²⁾

Activity Post Quarter-End

- Generated a pipeline of senior floating rate commercial real estate loans with total commitments of over \$320 million, and initial funding loan amounts of over \$240 million, which have either closed or are in the closing process, subject to fallout.
- Amended one financing facility to increase borrowing capacity by \$100 million, bringing total borrowing capacity to \$2.1 billion; in negotiations to amend a second financing facility to increase borrowing capacity by \$250 million, bringing total borrowing capacity to \$2.3 billion, subject to closing conditions.

"The last few months have been quite active between completing our IPO, establishing a significant initial \$2 billion borrowing capacity with several large financial institutions, and commencing the investment of capital backed by our robust loan origination pace," stated Jack Taylor, Granite Point's President and Chief Executive Officer. "We are pleased to have originated in excess of \$450 million of loans during the third quarter at attractive yields. We

believe that our differentiated relative value investment approach, our proven origination platform and diversified portfolio of senior floating rate loans will allow us to deliver attractive stockholder returns going forward. We are proud of our progress since we became a public company and are optimistic about the future of our business."

- (1) Core Earnings is a non-U.S. GAAP measure that we define as comprehensive income attributable to common stockholders, excluding "realized and unrealized gains and losses" (impairment losses, realized and unrealized gains or losses on the aggregate portfolio and non-cash compensation expense related to restricted common stock). We believe the presentation of Core Earnings provides investors greater transparency into our period-over-period financial performance and facilitates comparisons to peer REITs. Please see page 4 for a reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP financial information.
- (2) Stabilized LTV is calculated as the fully funded loan amount (plus any financing that is pari passu with or senior to such loan), including all contractually provided for future fundings, divided by the as stabilized value (as determined in conformance with USPAP) set forth in the original appraisal. As stabilized value may be based on certain assumptions, such as future construction completion, projected re-tenanting, payment of tenant improvement or leasing commissions allowances or free or abated rent periods, or increased tenant occupancies.
- (3) Yield includes net origination fees and exit fees, but does not include future fundings, and is expressed as a monthly equivalent yield.

GRANITE POINT MORTGAGE TRUST INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except share data)

	September 30, 2017			December 31, 2016		
ASSETS		unaudited)				
Loans held-for-investment	\$	2,127,954	\$	1,364,291		
Available-for-sale securities, at fair value		12,814		12,686		
Held-to-maturity securities		43,390		48,252		
Cash and cash equivalents		142,391		56,019		
Restricted cash		2,331		260		
Accrued interest receivable		5,786		3,745		
Due from counterparties		20		249		
Income taxes receivable		4		5		
Accounts receivable		12,695		7,735		
Deferred debt issuance costs		9,342		2,365		
Total Assets	\$	2,356,727	\$	1,495,607		
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				_		
Liabilities						
Repurchase agreements	\$	1,475,264	\$	451,167		
Note payable to affiliate		27,458		593,632		

Accrued interest payable	2,331	655
Unearned interest income	450	143
Other payables to affiliates	86	21,460
Dividends payable	13,835	_
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	5,529	559
Total Liabilities	1,524,953	1,067,616
10% cumulative redeemable preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share; 50,000,000 shares authorized and 1,000 and 0 shares issued and outstanding, respectively Stockholders' Equity Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share; 450,000,000 shares authorized and 43,235,103 and 0 shares issued	1,000	_
and outstanding, respectively	432	_
Additional paid-in capital	829,522	392,608
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	16	(112)
Cumulative earnings	14,664	35,495
Cumulative distributions to stockholders	(13,860)	_
Total Stockholders' Equity	830,774	427,991
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$ 2,356,727	\$ 1,495,607

GRANITE POINT MORTGAGE TRUST INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (in thousands, except share data)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended				
	September 30,			September 30,			
		2017	2016		2017	2016	
Interest income:	(unaudited)			(unaudited)			
Loans held-for-investment	\$	29,655	\$14,933	\$	77,213	\$37,062	
Available-for-sale securities		265	242		767	758	
Held-to-maturity securities		940	974		2,792	3,217	
Cash and cash equivalents		4	3		10	6	
Total interest income		30,864	16,152		80,782	41,043	
Interest expense		12,497	3,024		26,376	7,052	
Net interest income		18,367	13,128		54,406	33,991	
Other income:							
Ancillary fee income			15			41	
Total other income		_	15		_	41	
Expenses:							
Management fees		3,130	1,689		6,717	5,098	
Servicing expenses		333	145		962	372	

General and administrative expenses		3,388		1,721		7,561	5,20)4_
Total expenses		6,851		3,555		15,240	10,67	' 4
Income before income taxes		11,516		9,588		39,166	23,35	8
Benefit from income taxes		(2)		(2)		(3)	((9)
Net income		11,518		9,590		39,169	23,36	67
Dividends on preferred stock		25				25		
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$	11,493	\$	9,590	\$	39,144	\$23,36	67_
Basic and diluted earnings per weighted average common share	\$	0.27	\$	_	\$	0.27	\$ -	
Dividends declared per common share	\$	0.32	\$		\$	0.32	\$ -	
Basic and diluted weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding	43	,234,254	_		43,234,252		43,234,252	
Comprehensive income: Net income attributable to common stockholders Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax: Unrealized gain (loss) on available-for-	\$	11,493	\$	9,590	\$	39,144	\$23,36	67
sale securities		32		64		128	(12	28)
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Other comprehensive income (loss)		32	-	64		128	(12	28)

GRANITE POINT MORTGAGE TRUST INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP FINANCIAL INFORMATION (dollars in thousands, except share data)

Three Months Ended September 30, 2017

(unaudited) 11,493

GAAP Net Income \$ 11,493

Adjustments for non-core earnings:

Non-cash equity compensation 429

Core Earnings⁽¹⁾ \$ 11,922

Reconciliation of GAAP net income to Core Earnings:

Core Earnings per weighted average common share
outstanding
Weighted average shares outstanding

\$ 0.28
 43,432,254

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