



CIM Commercial Trust Declares Common and Series A Preferred Stock Dividends

DALLAS – February 20, 2019 - CIM Commercial Trust Corporation (NASDAQ & TASE: CMCT), a real estate investment trust (REIT) that primarily acquires, owns, and operates Class A and creative office assets in vibrant and improving urban communities throughout the United States, announced today that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.125 per common share. The dividend will be paid on March 25, 2019 to shareholders of record at the close of business on March 6, 2019.

In addition, the Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.34375 per share of CMCT's Series A Preferred Stock. For shares issued during the first quarter of 2019, the dividend will be prorated from the time of issuance. The dividend will be payable on April 15, 2019 to holders of record at the close of business on April 5, 2019.

ABOUT CIM COMMERCIAL TRUST CORPORATION

CIM Commercial Trust is a real estate investment trust that primarily acquires, owns, and operates Class A and creative office assets in vibrant and improving urban communities throughout the United States. Its properties are primarily located in Los Angeles, the San Francisco Bay Area and Washington, D.C. CIM Commercial Trust is operated by affiliates of CIM Group, L.P., a vertically-integrated owner and operator of real assets with multi-disciplinary expertise and in-house research, acquisition, credit analysis, development, finance, leasing, and property management capabilities. (www.cimcommercial.com).

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The information set forth herein contains "forward-looking statements." You can identify these statements by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts or discuss the business and affairs of CIM Commercial Trust Corporation on a prospective basis. Further, statements that include words such as "may," "will," "project," "might," "expect," "believe," "anticipate," "intend," "could," "would," "estimate," "continue" "pursue," or "should" or the negative or other words or expressions of similar meaning, may identify forward-looking statements.

CIM Commercial Trust bases these forward-looking statements on particular assumptions that it has made in light of its experience, as well as its perception of expected future developments and other factors that it believes are appropriate under the circumstances. The forward-looking statements are necessarily estimates reflecting the judgment of CIM Commercial Trust and involve a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those suggested by the forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and other factors, including those set forth in CIM Commercial Trust's Annual Report on

Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017 and the Registration Statement on Form S-11 (Reg. No. 333-210880) relating to the Series A Preferred Stock.

As you read and consider the information herein, you are cautioned to not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. These statements are not guarantees of performance or results and speak only as of the date hereof. These forward-looking statements involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions. In light of these risks and uncertainties, there can be no assurance that the results and events contemplated by the forward-looking statements contained herein will in fact transpire. New factors emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for CIM Commercial Trust to predict all of them. Nor can CIM Commercial Trust assess the impact of each such factor or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors may cause results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement. CIM Commercial Trust undertakes no obligation to publicly update or release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, except as required by law.

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