Gilat Reports Significant Increase in Year-over-Year Profitability in Q1 2018

Fixed Networks segment and Mobility Solutions Segment revenues were up approximately 40% year over year

Petah Tikva, Israel – May 15, 2018 – Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd. (NASDAQ, TASE: GILT), a worldwide leader in satellite networking technology, solutions and services, today reported its results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2018.

Key Financial Highlights:
• Revenues for Q1 2018 totaled $67.4 million, up 5.4% from Q1 2017.
• Company's revised reporting segments:
  o Q1 2018 Fixed Networks Segment revenues were up 40.0% year over year;
  o Mobility Solutions Segment revenues increased 39.3% from Q1 2017;
  o Terrestrial Infrastructure Projects Segment revenues decreased 59.4% from Q1 2017, as the construction phase of the Company's project for Fitel in Peru winds down and the project shifts to the operational phase later this year.
• Continued strong profitability:
  o Q1 2018 GAAP operating income rose to $3.7 million from $0.02 million in Q1 2017.
  o Q1 2018 Non-GAAP operating income rose to $5.1 million, or 108% year over year.
  o Q1 2018 GAAP net income was $2.3 million, or $0.04 per diluted share, compared with a GAAP loss of $0.8 million, or $0.01 per diluted share, in Q1 2017.
  o Q1 2018 non-GAAP net income increased year over year to $3.8 million, or $0.07 per diluted share, versus $1.7 million, or $0.03 per diluted share, in Q1 2017.
  o Q1 2018 Adjusted EBITDA increased 78% year over year to $7.5 million, or 11.2% of revenues.
• Reiterated management objectives for 2018: revenue range between $285 million to $305 million (up 1% to 8% from 2017), GAAP operating income of between $17 million and $21 million (up 56% to 93% from 2017), and Adjusted EBITDA between $30 million and $34 million (up 15% to 30% from 2017).
Yona Ovadia, CEO of Gilat, commented:
“I am pleased to report that the first quarter of 2018 was a very positive quarter for Gilat. The quarter was very positive from a business perspective, with significant wins and achievements.

“We won with Speedcast a substantial deal of tens of millions of dollars for NBN in Australia to meet the demand for broadband services for businesses and government customers.

“In addition, we made progress on the Telco backhaul front with additional Mobile Network Operators expanding several cellular backhaul networks, as well as securing a backhauling deal for critical communications with Altice in Portugal.

“And we also launched Gilat’s complete dual-band aero terminal for commercial in-flight connectivity, which achieved noteworthy performance during a live customer demonstration in China, in both Ku and Ka, with unprecedented download speeds of 130Mbps with dozens of concurrent users.

“Our strong year-over-year financial performance in this quarter is the targeted outcome of the continued progress in our business and of our strategic growth engines of mobile cellular backhaul and mobility IFC, and is evident across all measures including the substantial increase in operating income, both GAAP and non-GAAP, and the continued growth in Adjusted EBITDA to $7.5 million, an increase of 78% from Q1 2017. We also further delivered on our commitment to GAAP profitability with first quarter net income of $2.3 million compared with a loss of $0.8 million in the first quarter last year.”

Mr. Ovadia concluded: “The strong first quarter with the closing of the substantial deal with NBN in Australia, gave us a good start to the year. We remain strongly confident with our strategy and achieving our targets for the year.”

Key Recent Announcements:
• Gilat Launches Complete Dual Band Aero Terminal for Commercial In-Flight Connectivity
• Altice Portugal Selects Gilat to Support Backhauling to Critical Communications
• Hispasat Selects Gilat for a Multi-Million Dollar Project to Deliver Broadband Services in Mexico

Conference Call and Webcast Details:
Gilat management will host a conference call **today, Tuesday, May 15**, to discuss the first quarter results. The details are as follows:

**Conference Call and Webcast**
Following today's release, Yona Ovadia, Chief Executive Officer, and Adi Sfadia, Chief Financial Officer, will discuss Gilat’s first quarter 2018 results and participate in a question and answer session:
A simultaneous Webcast of the conference call will be available on the Gilat website at [www.gilat.com](http://www.gilat.com) and through this link: [http://www.veidan-stream.com/gilatq1-2018.html](http://www.veidan-stream.com/gilatq1-2018.html)

The webcast will also be archived for a period of 30 days on the Company’s website and through the link above.

**Conference Call Replay**

Date: May 15, 2018 at 12:00 PM EST / 19:00 IST
End: May 18, 2018 at 12:00 PM EST / 19:00 IST
Dial-in: US: 1-888-326-9310
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**Non-GAAP Measures**

The attached summary unaudited financial statements were prepared in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). To supplement the consolidated financial statements presented in accordance with GAAP, the Company presents Non-GAAP presentations of net income, operating income, Adjusted EBITDA and earnings per share. The adjustments to the Company’s GAAP results are made with the intent of providing both management and investors a more complete understanding of the Company’s underlying operational results, trends and performance.

Adjusted EBITDA (operating income before depreciation, amortization, non-cash stock option expenses, costs related to acquisition transactions, restructuring cost, goodwill impairment, impairment of long lived assets, trade secrets litigation expenses and expenses under amnesty program) is presented to compare the Company’s performance to that of prior periods and evaluate the Company’s financial and operating results on a consistent basis from period to period. The Company also believes this measure, when viewed in combination with the Company’s financial results prepared in accordance with GAAP, provides useful information to investors to evaluate ongoing operating results and trends. Adjusted EBITDA, however, should not be considered as an alternative to operating income or net income for the period and may not be indicative of the historic operating results of the Company; nor is it meant to be predictive of potential future results. Adjusted EBITDA is not a measure of financial performance under GAAP and may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures for other companies. Reconciliation between the Company's Operating income and Adjusted EBITDA is presented in the attached summary financial statements.

This news release also contains a forward-looking estimate of Adjusted EBITDA projected to be generated by Gilat in 2018. A forward-looking estimate of net income and reconciliations of the forward-looking estimates of Adjusted EBITDA to net income are not provided because the items necessary to estimate net income are not estimable at this time. Non-GAAP presentations of net income, operating income, Adjusted EBITDA and earnings per share should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for any of the consolidated statements.
of operations prepared in accordance with GAAP, or as an indication of Gilat’s operating performance or liquidity.

About Gilat
Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd. (NASDAQ: GILT, TASE: GILT) is a leading global provider of satellite-based broadband communications. With 30 years of experience, we design and manufacture cutting-edge ground segment equipment, and provide comprehensive solutions and end-to-end services, powered by our innovative technology. Delivering high value competitive solutions, our portfolio comprises of a cloud based VSAT network platform, high-speed modems, high performance on-the-move antennas and high efficiency, high power Solid State Amplifiers (SSPA) and Block Upconverters (BUC).

Gilat’s comprehensive solutions support multiple applications with a full portfolio of products to address key applications including broadband access, cellular backhaul, enterprise, in-flight connectivity, maritime, trains, defense and public safety, all while meeting the most stringent service level requirements. Gilat controlling shareholders are the FIMI Private Equity Funds. For more information, please visit: www.gilat.com

Certain statements made herein that are not historical are forward-looking within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The words "estimate", "project", "intend", "expect", "believe" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties. Many factors could cause the actual results, performance or achievements of Gilat to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements that may be expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements, including, among others, changes in general economic and business conditions, inability to maintain market acceptance to Gilat's products, inability to timely develop and introduce new technologies, products and applications, rapid changes in the market for Gilat's products, loss of market share and pressure on prices resulting from competition, introduction of competing products by other companies, inability to manage growth and expansion, loss of key OEM partners, inability to attract and retain qualified personnel, inability to protect the Company's proprietary technology and risks associated with Gilat's international operations and its location in Israel. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements for any reason. For additional information regarding these and other risks and uncertainties associated with Gilat's business, reference is made to Gilat's reports filed from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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