BTB REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST

BTB REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST ANNOUNCES AN AGREEMENT TO ACQUIRE THE REMAINING 50% INTEREST IN COMPLEXE LEBOURGNEUF AND A PUBLIC OFFERING OF \$17.5 MILLION OF TRUST UNITS

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Montreal, Québec (March 9, 2011): BTB Real Estate Investment Trust (TSX-V: BTB.UN) ("BTB" or the "REIT") announces that it has entered into an agreement to purchase the remaining 50% interest it does not already own in Complexe Lebourgneuf (Phase 1), located at 825 Lebourgneuf Boulevard in Quebec City.

In addition, BTB has reached an agreement with a syndicate of underwriters led by National Bank Financial Inc. and Dundee Securities Ltd. and including Canaccord Genuity Corp. and HSBC Securities (Canada) Inc. to issue to the public, subject to regulatory approval, on a bought deal basis, 19,450,000 trust units (the "Units") at a price of \$0.90 per Unit representing gross proceeds of approximately \$17.5 million. The REIT has granted the underwriters an over-allotment option exercisable in whole or in part at any time up to 30 days after closing, to purchase up to an additional 2,917,500 Units at the same offering price.

The net proceeds from this offering (after deducting the Underwriters' fee and estimated offering expenses) will be used to purchase the remaining 50% interest it does not already own in Complexe Lebourgneuf (Phase 1), for a final repayment of the outstanding principal under BTB's acquisition credit facility in the amount of \$10 million, to fund future acquisitions and for general corporate purposes.

As at the close of business on March 7, 2011, 51,691,725 units of BTB were issued and outstanding.

The REIT will, by March 15, 2011, file with the securities commissions and other similar regulatory authorities in each of the provinces of Canada a preliminary short form prospectus relating to the issuance of the Units. Closing of the offering is expected to take place on or about March 29, 2011.

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the U.S. Securities Act of 1933 as amended and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or pursuant to applicable exemption from registration.

<u>Description of Complexe Lebourgneuf (Phase 1)</u>

This building, for which the construction was recently completed, is located in the Lebourgneuf suburb of Québec City. It has retail stores on the ground floor and office space on the other floors. It contains a total rentable area of approximately 232,000 square feet and its occupancy rate, including signed leases for future occupancy, is more than 90%. The purchase price of the remaining 50% interest is \$19.3 million, including the assumption of the existing mortgage loan of \$12.5 million.

About BTB

BTB is a growth-oriented real estate investment trust listed on the TSX Venture Exchange. Its objective is to provide unitholders with stable cash distributions from investments in quality portfolio of long-term leased office, industrial, commercial and retail properties predominantly located in the province of Quebec. BTB is led by an experienced management team with in-depth experience in the real estate industry and a Board of Trustees focused on governance and sound business practices.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may contain forward-looking statements with respect to BTB. These statements generally can be identified by use of forward looking words such as "may", "will", "expect", "estimate", "anticipate", "intends", "believe" or "continue" or the negative thereof or similar variations. The actual results and performance of BTB could differ materially from those expressed or implied by such statements. Such statements are qualified in their entirety by the inherent risks and uncertainties surrounding future expectations. Some important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from expectations include, among other things, general economic and market factors, competition, changes in government regulation and the factors described from time to time in the documents filed by BTB with the securities regulators in Canada. Forward-looking statements in this news release include namely that the offering is expected to close on or about March 29, 2011. The cautionary statements qualify all forward-looking statements attributable to BTB and persons acting on their behalf. Unless otherwise stated or required by applicable law, all forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this press release.

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