

GOLD RESERVE TO FILE RESTATED JUNE 30, 2018 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Gold Reserve Inc. (TSX.V: GRZ) (OTCQX: GDRZF) ("Gold Reserve" or the "Company") announced that in the course of completing its interim consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2018, it was determined that there was an estimated \$6.6 million overstatement of income tax expense and understatement of net income reported in the Company's Consolidated Statement of Operations for the six months ended June 30, 2018.

The Company originally reported income tax expense of \$19.1 million, net income of \$57.5 million and earnings per share of \$0.58 for the six months ended June 30, 2018 and a deferred tax liability of \$9.3 million as of June 30, 2018. Based on the Company's analysis, income tax expense, net income, earnings per share and deferred tax liability for the period are expected to be approximately \$12.5 million, \$64.1 million, \$0.64 and \$2.8 million, respectively. The overstatement resulted from an oversight in the allocation of revenue to tax jurisdictions with differing tax rates.

Management expects to complete its analysis and file its restated interim consolidated financial statements for the six months ended June 30, 2018 and related management's discussion and analysis on or before November 29, 2018.

Further information regarding the Company can be located at www.goldreserveinc.com, www.sec.gov, and www.sedar.com.

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We caution that such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other risks that may cause the actual outcomes, financial results, performance, or achievements of Gold Reserve to be materially different from our estimated outcomes, future results, performance, or achievements expressed or implied by those forward-looking statements.

This list is not exhaustive of the factors that may affect any of Gold Reserve's forward-looking statements. For a more detailed discussion of the risk factors affecting the Company's business, including without limitation the effect of sanctions imposed by the governments of the United States and Canada against dealings with certain Venezuelan entities and individuals, see the Company's Annual Information Form and Management's Discussion & Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2017 which have been filed on SEDAR and are available under the Company's profile at www.sedar.com and which form part of the Company's Form 40-F for the year ended December 31, 2017 which have been filed on EDGAR and are available under the Company's profile at www.sec.gov/edgar.

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