

# LAURION Celebrates 65 Years on the TSX Venture Exchange – Honouring the Past, Advancing the Future

Toronto, Ontario - April 17, 2025 - LAURION Mineral Exploration Inc. (TSXV: LME, OTCPINK: LMEFF) ("LAURION" or the "Corporation") is proud to celebrate a defining milestone: 65 years of continuous listing on the TSX Venture Exchange (the "TSXV"), dating back to its original listing on April 17, 1945.

Founded in 1945 under an early predecessor name, eventually evolving into LAURION Mineral Exploration Inc., the Corporation has continually adapted, survived market downturns, and seized on opportunities for strategic renewal. The TSXV, in parallel, has grown from its grassroots mining roots, including the consolidation of legacy exchanges like the Alberta and Vancouver Stock Exchanges, to become a globally recognized platform for entrepreneurial growth.

As of late 2023, the TSXV is home to over 1,600 listed companies, and has facilitated the raising of hundreds of billions of dollars in equity capital across its history, driving investment into exploration, innovation, and opportunity across Canada and globally.

This milestone not only reflects LAURION's resilience but also symbolizes the enduring spirit of the Canadian exploration industry, cultivated through generations of prospectors, pioneers, and visionaries. Together with the TSXV – whose origins stem from the consolidation of Canada's regional exchanges into a globally recognized launchpad for discovery and innovation – LAURION has grown into a mid-stage exploration company advancing one of Ontario's prospective gold-polymetallic projects.

"To stand as one of the TSXV's longest-listed companies is an extraordinary honour," said Cynthia Le Sueur-Aquin, President and CEO of LAURION. "It reflects not only our staying power but also the shared belief among our stakeholders – investors, First Nations and other partners, and service providers – that we are building something special at Ishkõday."

LAURION's Ishkõday Project, located near Beardmore, Ontario, represents a rare convergence of scale, structural complexity, and mineral endowment, with a district-scale footprint of 57 km², proximal infrastructure, and year-round access.

To date, LAURION has completed 447 diamond drill holes totaling 90,358 metres, delineating over 22 mineralized structures within a 6 km x1.8 km corridor that remains open at depth and along strike. The NI 43-101 Technical Report, titled "Ishkõday Gold Project, Northern Ontario, Canada", as prepared by Maxime Dupéré B. Sc., P. Geo., with an effective date October 26, 2023, and filed on SEDAR+ on February 15, 2024, outlined the Ishkõday Project's exploration potential at 22.5 to 45 million tonnes, with an average grade range of 0.11 g/t to 8.67 g/t gold, underscoring both the scale and variability of this mineralized system. In addition to this mineral potential, the Ishkõday Project hosts a gold-bearing surface stockpile – a remnant of historical operations at the Sturgeon River Mine – offering excellent near-term potential for gold generation. LAURION is currently advancing the Advanced Exploration Permit (AEP) to support bulk sampling and potential early-stage production activities.

In seeking to further unlock shareholder value, LAURION is conducting a structured strategic review in partnership with US Capital Global, a leading private financial group. This process involves evaluating a variety of potential strategic transactions and opportunities, including, without limitation, a possible joint venture or disposition.

"We believe that our relationship with US Capital Global positions us for strategic success," added Ms. Le Sueur-Aquin. "Together, we are pursuing long-term outcomes that align with our vision of responsibly unlocking value for shareholders."

From its earliest roots in the mid-20th century to its current position as a mid-stage exploration company, LAURION's journey is defined by commitment, collaboration, and adaptability.

"We honour the generations of shareholders, geologists, prospectors, First Nations, service providers, and strategic partners who have supported LAURION's mission," said Ms. Le Sueur-Aquin. "Their legacy fuels our work, and their trust inspires our next chapter. We remain committed to advancing the Ishkoday Project and positioning LAURION to capitalize on strategic opportunities that may arise in the future."

For more information regarding the Corporation's engagement of US Capital Global, please refer to LAURION's news releases dated August 20, 2024 and April 14, 2025.

The Corporation looks forward to continuing its disciplined exploration efforts and advancing its long-term growth strategy.

### **Qualified Person**

The technical contents of this release were reviewed and approved by Jean-Philippe Paiement, PGeo, MSc, a consultant to LAURION, and a qualified person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 – Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects.

#### **About LAURION Mineral Exploration Inc.**

The Corporation is a mid-stage junior mineral exploration and development company listed on the TSXV under the symbol LME and on the OTCPINK under the symbol LMEFF. LAURION now has 273,494,904 outstanding shares of which approximately 73.6% are owned and controlled by insiders who are eligible investors under the "Friends and Family" categories.

LAURION's emphasis is on the exploration and development of its flagship project, the 100% owned mid-stage 57 km² Ishkõday Project, and its gold-rich polymetallic mineralization. LAURION's chief priority remains maximizing shareholder value. A large portion of the Corporation's focus in this regard falls within the scope of its mineral exploration activities and more specifically, advancing the Ishkõday Project.

A consequence of LAURION's success and advancement over the past several years is that the Corporation has become positioned as an acquisition target for appropriate potential acquirors. Accordingly, the Corporation's Board of Directors is aware that possible strategic alternatives and transactional opportunities may arise and/or could be procured in the short or medium terms. The Corporation will promptly issue a press release if any material change occurs. In the meanwhile, LAURION will continue to work towards advancing the Ishkõday Project while exploring opportunities and potential transactions that are strategically beneficial to the Corporation and its shareholders.

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