

## Happy Creek Announces Closing of Non-Brokered Private Placement

February 28, 2023, Vancouver, British Columbia – Happy Creek Minerals Ltd. (TSX-V: HPY) ("Happy Creek" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that the previously announced nonbrokered private placement (see the Company's news releases dated January 18, 2023) (the "Private Placement") has closed on a total of 8,000,000 units at a price of \$0.05 per unit. Each Unit consists of one common share and one-half of a share purchase Warrant. Each whole Warrant entitles the holder to purchase one common share of the Company at an exercise price of \$0.10 per share up to close of business on February 28, 2025.

In connection with the closing of the private placement, the Company paid the following finder's fees: Canaccord Genuity Corp. \$3,000.00 in cash and 60,000 Non-Transferable Finder's Warrants, Pollitt & Co. Inc. \$11,400.00 in cash and 228,000 Non-Transferable Finders Warrants, PowerOne Capital Markets Limited \$3,000.00 in cash and 60,000 Non-Transferable Finders Warrants. Each Finder's Warrant entitles the holder to purchase a unit of the Issuer comprising of one common share of the Issuer and one-half of a Non-Transferable secondary warrant (the "Second Warrant") at an exercise price of \$0.05 per unit up to close of business on February 28, 2025. Each whole Second Warrant is exercisable into one additional common share of the Issuer at an exercise price of \$0.10 per share up to close of business on February 28, 2025.

The net proceeds of \$400,000 will primarily be used to fund the Company's ongoing exploration programs and for general working capital.

All common shares issued under the Private Placement will be subject to a hold period expiring on June 29, 2023, in accordance with applicable Canadian securities laws.

In connection with the Private Placement, the Company issued common shares to persons that are directors or senior officers of the Company. The Company has determined that exemptions from the various requirements of TSX Venture Exchange Policy 5.9 and Multilateral Instrument 61-101 ("MI 61-101") are available for the issuance of the common shares to these related parties. The Company relied on Section 5.5(c) of MI 61-101 for an exemption from the formal valuation requirement on the basis that the transaction was a distribution of securities for cash, and Section 5.7(1)(b) of MI 61-101 for an exemption from the minority approval requirement as the fair market value of the transaction was not more than \$2,500,000.

## About Happy Creek Minerals Ltd.

Happy Creek is focused on making new discoveries and building resources in proximity to infrastructure on the Company's 100-percent-owned portfolio of diversified metal projects in British Columbia. The Company's Management, Board of Directors and Technical Advisors have extensive expertise and experience in the mineral resource sector and capital markets.

More information on the Company's projects can be found on the website at <u>www.happycreekminerals.com</u>.

The Company operates with the principles and guidelines set out for COVID-19 that are established by provincial health and safety authorities to protect workers and the communities in which the Company operates.

On behalf of the Board of Directors,

"Peter Hughes"

President and Chief Executive Officer

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