



## **LAURION Initiates 2025 Drill Campaign at Ishkoday with a 7,000 m Program to Target Gold-Bearing Veins at Brenbar and Sturgeon River Mine**

**TORONTO, Ontario – May 8, 2025 – LAURION Mineral Exploration Inc. (TSXV: LME | OTC/PINK: LMEFF) (“LAURION” or the “Corporation”)** is pleased to announce the commencement of an approximate 7,000 metre diamond drill program at its 100%-owned Ishkoday Project located 220 km north of Thunder Bay, northwestern Ontario. The 2025 drill campaign, scheduled to commence in the last week of May, will focus on advancing the Corporation's understanding of the mineralized system at the historic Brenbar Mine area and continue expanding the Sturgeon River Mine corridor, supported by the completion of deep-penetrating DCIP and Magnetotelluric (MT) geophysical surveys.

*“The integration of geophysics, historic data and structural mapping allows us to advance multiple high-confidence targets in parallel,”* said Cynthia Le Sueur-Aquin, President and CEO of LAURION. *“We believe this program will unlock meaningful extensions at both Brenbar and Sturgeon River, with the potential for new discoveries at depth and along strike.”*

This drill program forms a central pillar of LAURION's ongoing exploration strategy to realize the full potential of the Ishkoday gold-polymetallic mineral system.

### **Targeting High-Grade and Broader Mineralized Zones at Brenbar**

The drill program will follow up on multiple historical higher-grade gold intercepts at Brenbar, including:

- 69.1 g/t gold over 0.3 m and 20.9 g/t gold over 1.0 m in BB10-19
- 10.2 g/t gold over 0.4 m in BB10-22
- 6.6 g/t gold over 0.5 m in BB10-20
- 3.28 g/t gold over 0.7 m in BB10-23

Importantly, the 2010 drill campaign conducted by Kodiak/Prodigy Gold (*Report on the Brenbar Property – 2020 Diamond Drilling Program – Jamie Light and Jerry Solomon - 2020*) also identified broader gold-bearing zones with stacked veining and pervasive alteration, including:

- 2.90 m averaging 0.533 g/t Au in BB10-20

- 10.85 m averaging 0.280 g/t Au and 2.50 m averaging 1.293 g/t Au in BB10-24
- 3.9 m averaging 0.541 g/t Au in BB10-26
- 5.10 m averaging 0.5786 g/t Au in BB10-23 including 0.70 m averaging 3.280 g/t Au
- 6.3 m and 8.20 m zones with grades of 0.511 g/t Au and 0.657 g/t Au, respectively, in BB10-27 including grades up to 3.26 g/t Au

These zones are hosted in sheared felsic to intermediate volcanic and volcanoclastic rocks with disseminated sulphides and quartz-carbonate stockwork veining.

### **Geophysics Refines Deeper and Structural Targets**

LAURION recently completed a combined 2D Deep Induced Polarization (DCIP) and Magnetotelluric (MT) geophysical survey over the Brenbar and Sturgeon River Mine areas. The surveys mapped deep resistivity and chargeability contrasts to depths of up to 1,000 m, helping delineate:

- Silicified structural corridors linked to quartz veins.
- Disseminated sulphide zones below known surface and shallow intercepts.
- Subsurface features along and below the North and South Brenbar faults and the Sturgeon River Shaft.

### **Expanded Drilling at the Sturgeon River Mine**

In parallel with the Brenbar drilling, LAURION will conduct a drill campaign at the Sturgeon River Mine, targeting:

- Deeper mineralized structures beneath historic underground workings.
- In-fill drilling to improve continuity of known gold zones.
- Strike extensions to the north and south of the main mine area.
- New zones to the northwest, including follow-up on the M24 and M25 vein systems, which host multiple gold-bearing quartz structures in proximity to the Sturgeon historical shaft.

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 TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol LME and on the OTC/PINK 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 km<sup>2</sup> Ishkōday 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 Ishkōday 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 Ishkōday Project while exploring opportunities and potential transactions that are strategically beneficial to the Corporation and its shareholders.

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