



WILLESON METALS WELCOMES STEPHANIE HART AS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Toronto, Ontario, January 17, 2022 – Willeson Metals Corp. (the “Company” or “Willeson Metals”) is extremely pleased to announce the appointment of Ms. Stephanie Hart as President, Chief Executive Officer, and Director of the Company, effective immediately.

Shastri Ramnath, Chair of Willeson Metals stated, *“On behalf of the board, I am pleased that Stephanie will be taking on this important leadership role for Willeson Metals. The board has been impressed by her contribution as Willeson’s Chief Financial Officer over the last 18 months. As a Willeson shareholder, Stephanie has worked diligently and was one of the first appointed executives of the Company. I am excited to work with Stephanie in her new role and her expertise and energy will most certainly strengthen the ability to achieve 2022 goals for Willeson. Her interest and engagement in negotiation, strategy and risk, and corporate culture will also benefit all stakeholders and contribute to the long term success of the Company.”*



Stephanie Hart, President and CEO of Willeson Metals stated, *“I am thrilled to take on this leadership role and have enjoyed the last 18 months working with such a diverse and experienced team of advisors, employees and board. I look forward to this new challenge at Willeson with the strong foundation of people, well established corporate culture and the four large gold properties in a significantly underexplored jurisdiction in Canada. As someone who has worked in Manitoba, I understand well that the province is disproportionately underexplored for gold and I feel fortunate to be working with such a successful and reputable exploration team to unlock the potential. I am very motivated to continue building shareholder value and look forward to working with all stakeholders to ensure a successful 2022.”*

Stephanie is an accomplished CPA, CA with over twenty years experience in global mining roles, with much of her career working with Vale (Canada). Her most recent role at Vale was Head of Finance, North Atlantic Operations and Asian Refineries in the Base Metals business. Other roles at Vale included Director of Treasury, Pension Assets and Risk for Vale Canada, Director of Finance and CFO for the Goro Project and Operations in New Caledonia and General Foreperson in the Sudbury Smelter. Stephanie will continue as the part time CFO of Exiro Minerals Corp and is a member of the board of directors for Giyani Metals Corp., Gander Gold Corp., and West Park Healthcare Centre Foundation.

Stephanie has a track record of building and maintaining relationships and collaborating to develop creative solutions that are beneficial to all parties, including with banks, shareholders, investment managers and international companies. She also has extensive experience in budgeting, reporting and analysis, internal controls, financial, risk and change management, as well as managing a site operating unit. These unique skill sets will prove exceptionally useful as Willeson explores the Company’s gold assets in the Lynn Lake Greenstone Belt.

The Company is currently searching for a replacement Chief Financial Officer.



About Willeson Metals

Willeson Metals is a Canadian-based, privately-owned mineral exploration company focused on the acquisition, exploration, and development of high-quality gold projects in the province of Manitoba, with a particular emphasis on Proterozoic terrains, which have long been under-explored in Canada for gold. The Company's portfolio of four, 100%-owned, gold projects are all located within the Proterozoic Lynn Lake greenstone belt of northern Manitoba.

Willeson Metals' vision is to explore for and discover Tier 1 gold deposits in the Proterozoic terrains of Canada and to do so in a responsible, safe and sustainable manner in order to create long-term value for all stakeholders.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Shastri Ramnath
Chair of the Board

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