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VANCOUVER, British Columbia, May 12, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- MGX Minerals Inc. ("MGX" or the "Company") (CSE:XMG) (FKT:1MG) (OTC:MGXMF) is pleased to announce the closing of the Company's previously announced private placement financing (the "Offering") through the distribution of 3,555,556 special warrants of the Company ("Special Warrants") at a price of CAD\$0.90 per Special Warrant (the "Issue Price") for gross proceeds of CAD\$3.2 million. Each Special Warrant is exercisable, for no additional consideration, into one unit ("Unit") of the Company. Each Unit shall be comprised of one common share ("Common Share") and one common share purchase warrant ("Warrant"), with each Warrant entitling the holder to purchase one additional Common Share at a price of CAD\$1.15 until May 12, 2019, subject to acceleration at any time prior to the expiry of the Warrants the ten day volume-weighted average trading price of the Common Shares exceeds CAD\$2.00 then the Company may provide notice to the holders of the Warrants that the Warrants will expire 30 days after the date of the notice.

The Company intends to use the net proceeds from the Offering to reduce indebtedness (including trade payables and up to CAD\$500,000 in repayment of a loan made to MGX by an officer of MGX) and for development and exploration of its Alberta Lithium Claims, Sturgeon Lake Property and Driftwood Property (each as described in the Company's Annual Information Form, dated March 31, 2017) and for general working capital purposes.

In accordance with the terms of an agency agreement (the "Agency Agreement") entered into by the Company and Mackie Research Capital Corp. (the "Agent"), the Agent received a cash commission equal to 8.5% of the aggregate gross proceeds from the Offering as well as rights to receive compensation options ("Compensation Options") in an amount equal to 8.5% of the number of Special Warrants sold under the Offering. The Compensation Options are exercisable at any time until May 12, 2019 at an exercise price equal to the Issue Price. Each Compensation Option entitles the holder to purchase one Unit. In the event that the Company does not satisfy the Qualification Condition (as defined below) on or before the Qualification Deadline (as defined below) the Compensation Options will be exercisable for 1.1 Units.

Pursuant to the terms of the Agency Agreement, the Company has agreed to use its best efforts to obtain a receipt for a final short form prospectus qualifying the distribution of the Units upon exercise of the Special Warrants (the "Qualification Condition") on or before June 26, 2017 (the "Qualification Deadline"). If the Qualification Condition is not satisfied before the Qualification Deadline, each Special Warrant shall become exercisable, without any action on the part of the holders of the Special Warrants, and for no additional consideration, to receive 1.1 Units. Prior to the satisfaction of the Qualification Condition, the Special Warrants and the Common Shares and Warrants comprising the Units will be subject to a statutory hold period until September 13, 2017.

The Company may close additional tranches of under the Offering prior to the earlier of the satisfaction of the Qualification Condition and the Qualification Deadline. For more information on the Offering, please refer to the Company's news release, dated March 1, 2017 available on the Company's profile on SEDAR at www.sedar.com and at www.mgxminerals.com.

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About MGX Minerals

MGX Minerals is a diversified Canadian mining company engaged in the development of large-scale industrial mineral portfolios in western Canada and the United States. The Company operates lithium, magnesium and silicon projects throughout British Columbia and Alberta as well as petrolithium exploration in Utah.

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Forward-Looking Statements

This news release contains certain "forward-looking statements" or "forward-looking information" (collectively referred to herein as "forward-looking statements") within the meaning of applicable securities legislation. Such forward-looking statements include, without limitation, forecasts, estimates, expectations and objectives for future operations that are subject to a number of assumptions, risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond the control of the Company. Forward-looking statements are statements that are not historical facts and are generally, but not always, identified by the words "expects", "plans", "anticipates", "believes", "intends", "estimates", "projects", "potential" and similar expressions, or are events or conditions that "will", "would", "may", "could" or

should occur or be achieved. This news release contains forward-looking statements, pertaining to, among other things: use of net proceeds of the Offering; the Qualification Deadline and the Qualification Condition; the closing of additional tranches of Special Warrants; the terms of any additional tranche of Special Warrants; and the terms of any additional tranches of Special Warrants, Units, Warrants and Compensation Options.

Although MGX believes that the material factors, expectations and assumptions expressed in such forward-looking statements are reasonable based on information available to it on the date such statements were made, no assurances can be given as to future results, levels of activity and achievements and such statements are not guarantees of future performance. MGX's actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied in forward-looking statements and readers should not place undue importance or reliance on the forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements contained in this news release reflect several material factors, expectations and assumptions of MGX including, without limitation: the general continuation of current or, where applicable, assumed industry conditions; and availability of debt and/or equity sources to fund MGX's capital and operating requirements as needed.

Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results or events to differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements including, without limitation: general economic, market and business conditions; reliance on industry partners; and certain other risks detailed from time to time in MGX's public disclosure documents including, without limitation, those risks identified in this news release, and in MGX's annual information form, copies of which are available on MGX's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com. Readers are cautioned that the foregoing list of factors is not exhaustive.

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