Contact Gold Corp. Reports Q2 2022 Financial and Operating Results

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Vancouver, August 19, 2022 - <u>Contact Gold Corp.</u> (the "Company" or "Contact Gold") (TSXV:C); (OTC:CGOLF) is pleased to announce its financial and operating results for the three- and six-months ended June 30, 2022.

Contact Gold is focused on advancing the Green Springs and Pony Creek gold projects in Nevada, both of which host extensive and robust Carlin Type gold systems.

Drilling at Green Springs through June 30, 2022 continued to generate high-grade, oxide gold mineralization over an increasingly large footprint that remains open in all directions. Recent results from the X-Ray Zone at Green Springs highlight the near-surface, oxide high-grade gold opportunity at the property (see news releases dated August 9, 2022 and August 16, 2022). Drill results from the Tango Zone remain pending.

Selected Q2 2022 financial data

Details of financial results as at and for the three- and six-months ended June 30, 2022 and 2021, are described in the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto (the "Interim Financial Statements") as prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), and the MD&A for the corresponding periods, copies of which are available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

The following selected financial data is derived from the Interim Financial Statements. Unless otherwise stated, the information herein, and in the tables below, is presented in Canadian dollars.

Attributable to shareholders for the period: June 30, 2022 June 30, 2021

Loss \$ 1,966,764 \$ 3,640,140

Other comprehensive loss (gain) \$ (494,971) \$ 870,868

Comprehensive loss \$ 1,471,793 \$ 4,511,008

Basic and diluted loss per share \$ 0.01 \$ 0.02

Losses attributable to shareholders for the three- and six-months ended June 30, 2022 of \$1.15 million and \$1.97 million (2021: \$1.93 million and \$3.64 million), respectively, reflect primarily (i) costs incurred for professional, legal and advisory fees, administration & office expenditures, wages and salaries, and investor relations activities (in aggregate, \$1.04 million, compared to \$1.34 million for the same period in 2021), and (ii) exploration and evaluation of the Company's exploration property interests (\$0.93 million, compared to \$2.02 million for the same period in 2021), net of the accounting for certain forfeited stock option ("Options") and restricted share units ("RSUs"), which resulted in a non-cash recovery against the stock-based compensation expense for the period. The TSX Venture Exchange (the "TSXV") approved the Company's new rolling Omnibus Stock and Incentive Plan on June 30, 2022.

Losses for the current period are lower than those of the prior period reflecting, in part, the timing of exploration activities at Green Springs, and the overall reduction of wages & salaries, general & administrative costs, and legal & advisory fees further to an ongoing effort to reduce non-exploration-related expenditures.

The Company has elected to expense exploration expenditures as incurred. During the six months ended

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June 30, 2022, exploration and evaluation expenditures were predominantly related to exploration and the initial 2022 drill program at Green Springs. Approximately \$0.91 million in expenditures had been incurred through June 30, 2022 for exploration at Green Springs and at Pony Creek.

Other comprehensive gain attributable to shareholders for the three- and six-month period ended June 30, 2022 of \$0.91 million and \$0.49 million (2021: loss of \$0.39 million and \$0.87 million). The other comprehensive loss or gain in a given period reflects primarily the foreign currency impact arising on the carrying value of the Company's U.S. entity which holds the exploration property portfolio, whereby a gain or loss reflects the relative value of the Canadian dollar (the Company's reporting currency) compared to the United States dollar (the currency in which the value of the exploration property portfolio is recorded).

As at June 30, 2022 As at December 31, 2021

Cash	\$ 1,159,105	\$ 2,684,939
Working capital	\$ 936,235	\$ 2,834,991
Total assets	\$ 30,867,140	\$ 32,116,860
Current liabilities	\$ 482,455	\$ 340,180
Shareholders' equity	/ \$ 30,203,973	\$ 31,635,595

Total assets at June 30, 2022 comprise primarily: exploration and evaluation assets of \$29.39 million, and \$1.16 million in cash. At December 31, 2021, total assets primarily comprise exploration and evaluation assets of \$28.92 million, and \$2.68 million in cash.

Total liabilities at June 30, 2022 include non-current liabilities of \$0.18 million, recorded to recognize a provision for site reclamation (December 31, 2021: \$0.14 million), and normal course payables and accruals of \$0.44 million (December 31, 2021: \$0.31 million), settled after period end.

Accumulated other comprehensive loss of \$1.76 million at June 30, 2022 (December 31, 2021: \$2.25 million) is the aggregate foreign currency impact on the translation to Canadian dollars of the value of the Company's U.S. entity and its portfolio of exploration properties.

Net cash operating outflows for the six-month period ended June 30, 2022 of \$1.56 million reflects primarily (i) ongoing exploration activity, (ii) investor relations and head office costs (\$0.31 million), and (iii) the settlement of balances due to service providers and vendors at the preceding year end.

About Contact Gold Corp's property interests

Green Springs is located near the southern end of the Cortez Trend of Carlin-type gold deposits in Nevada, east of Calibre Mining's Pan Mine and Gold Rock Project (TSX: CXB), and south of Waterton's Mount Hamilton deposit. The Green Springs property is 18.5 km2, encompassing 3 shallow past-producing open pits and numerous targets that were not mined.

Pony Creek is strategically located immediately south of Orla Mining Ltd.'s 'Railroad-Pinion Project, on the Southern Carlin Trend (TSX: OLA), and totals 81.7 km2 underpinned by a Carlin-type system with historic gold resources.

Additional information about the Company is available at www.contactgold.com.

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