## **Aurania Announces Loan Agreement**

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Toronto, April 30, 2025 - <u>Aurania Resources Ltd.</u> (TSXV: ARU) (OTCQB: AUIAF) (FSE: 20Q) ("Aurania" or the "Company") announces that its Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Keith Barron (the "Lender") has agreed to provide a loan of up to US\$2,094,500 to the Company to be advanced from time to time in principal amounts as agreed by the parties (the "Loan").

The Loan is unsecured, bears interest at 2% per annum and matures upon notice of from the Lender at any time following twelve months and one day from the date hereof. The proceeds of the Loan will be used to fund the Company's remaining 2024 mineral concession fees in Ecuador, which are due by May 1, 2025.

Dr. Keith Barron is a related party of the Company by virtue of the fact that he is the Chairman, the President and Chief Executive Officer, a promoter and a principal shareholder of the Company, and as a result, each advance and repayment under the Loan constitutes a "Related Party Transaction" for the purposes of Multilateral Instrument 61-101 - Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions ("MI 61-101"). The Company is relying upon an exemption from the formal valuation and minority shareholder approval requirements under MI 61-101 in respect of the Related Party Transactions, in reliance on Sections 5.5(a) and 5.7(1) of MI 61-101, respectively, as the fair market value of the Related Party Transaction, collectively, does not exceed 25% of the Company's market capitalization, as determined in accordance with MI 61-101. The Company did not file a material change report related to the Loan more than 21 days before the expected closing of the Loan as required by MI 61-101, as the Company wished to organize the Loan on an expedited basis for sound business reasons.

The Loan was approved by the members of the board of directors of the Company who are independent for purposes of the related party transaction, being all directors other than Dr. Barron. No special committee was established in connection with the Loan, and no materially contrary view or abstention was expressed or made by any director of the Company in relation thereto.

Payment of the Company's remaining 2024 mineral concession fees in Ecuador is being processed within standard international banking transactions, with the timeline communicated to and acknowledged by the relevant authorities in Ecuador. Regarding payment of the 2025 concession fees, the Company is in the process of reaching an agreement with the corresponding authorities and expects to reach an agreement in similar terms as was done for the 2024 mineral concession fees. This process may take a couple of months, meanwhile the Company maintains its property in Ecuador in good standing while an agreement is being finalized.

Update on Private Placement Financing

Considering the announcement of this loan, the Company will allow the recommended time for the news to be assimilated and therefore expects to close the final tranche of its non-brokered private placement financing on or around May 5, 2025.

## About Aurania

Aurania is a mineral exploration company engaged in the identification, evaluation, acquisition, and exploration of mineral property interests, with a focus on precious metals and copper in South America. Its flagship asset, The Lost Cities - Cutucú Project, is located in the Jurassic Metallogenic Belt in the eastern foothills of the Andes mountain range of southeastern Ecuador.

Information on Aurania and technical reports are available at www.aurania.com and www.sedarplus.ca, as well as on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/auranialtd/, Twitter at https://twitter.com/auranialtd, and

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