



## **FSD Pharma Files Preliminary Base Shelf Prospectus to Replace Expired Base Shelf Prospectus**

**Toronto, November 6, 2023** -- FSD Pharma Inc. (NASDAQ: HUGE) (CSE: HUGE) (FRA: 0K9A) ("**FSD Pharma**" or the "**Company**"), a biopharmaceutical company dedicated to building a portfolio of innovative assets and biotech solutions, is pleased to announce that in order to replace its prior base shelf prospectus that expired, it has filed and obtained a receipt for its preliminary short form base shelf prospectus dated November 3, 2023 ("**Prospectus**"), to provide the Company with the flexibility to take advantage of financing opportunities and favourable market conditions, if and when needed, during the 25-month period that the Prospectus, once made final, remains effective (the "**Effective Period**"). However, there is no certainty any Securities (as defined below) will be offered or sold under the final Prospectus within the 25-month period.

The Prospectus has been filed in each of the provinces and territories in Canada. The Prospectus, when final and effective, will enable the Company to offer, issue and sell, from time to time: Class B subordinate voting shares, subscription receipts, warrants and units, or any combination thereof (collectively, the "**Securities**") for up to an aggregate offering price of USD\$50 million, in one or more transactions during the Effective Period. Should the Company decide to offer Securities during this period, the specific terms, including the use of proceeds from any offering of Securities, will be set forth in one or more related prospectus supplements to the final Prospectus.

The Company may also use the Prospectus in connection with an "at-the-market distribution" in accordance with applicable securities laws, which would permit securities to be sold on behalf of the Company through the Canadian Securities Exchange (the "**CSE**"), or other existing trading markets, as further described in the applicable prospectus supplement. To date, no agreement has been entered into with respect to such a distribution.

This news release does not constitute an offer to sell Securities, nor is it a solicitation of an offer to buy Securities, in any jurisdiction.

The Securities will not be offered, sold or delivered, directly or indirectly within the United States, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction or to, or for the account or for the benefit of a U.S. person, except pursuant to a registration under the *United States Securities Act of 1933*, as amended, or applicable exemptions from the registration requirements.

A copy of the Prospectus can be found on the Company's profile on SEDAR+ at [www.sedarplus.ca](http://www.sedarplus.ca).

### **About FSD Pharma**

FSD is a biopharmaceutical company dedicated to building a portfolio of innovative assets and biotech

solutions for the treatment of challenging neurodegenerative, inflammatory and metabolic disorders and alcohol misuse disorders with drug candidates in different stages of development. Through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Lucid Psycheceuticals Inc. (“**Lucid**”), FSD is focused on the research and development of its lead compound, Lucid-MS (formerly Lucid-21-302) (“**Lucid-MS**”). Lucid-MS is a patented new chemical entity shown to prevent and reverse myelin degradation, the underlying mechanism of multiple sclerosis, in preclinical models. FSD is also focused on the research and development of UNBUZZD™, a proprietary formulation of natural ingredients, vitamins, and minerals to help with liver and brain function for the purposes of quickly relieving individuals from the effects of alcohol consumption. FSD maintains a portfolio of strategic investments through its wholly-owned subsidiary, FSD Strategic Investments Inc., which represent loans secured by residential or commercial property.

### **Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Information**

*This press release contains forward-looking statements and forward-looking information (collectively, "forward-looking statements") within the meaning of applicable securities laws. Any statements that are contained in this press release that are not statements of historical fact may be deemed to be forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are often identified by terms such as “plans”, “expects”, “expected”, “scheduled”, “estimates”, “intends”, “anticipates”, “hopes”, “planned” or “believes”, or variations of such words and phrases, or states that certain actions, events or results “may”, “could”, “would”, “might”, “potentially” or “will” be taken, occur or be achieved. More particularly, and without limitation, this press release contains forward-looking statements contained in this press release include statements concerning the future of FSD Pharma and are based on certain assumptions that FSD Pharma has made in respect thereof as of the date of this press release. FSD Pharma cannot give any assurance that such forward-looking statements will prove to have been correct.*

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*reliance on the forward-looking statements contained in this press release, which speak only as of the date of this press release.*

*Further information regarding factors that may cause actual results to differ materially are included in the Company's annual and other reports filed from time to time with the Canadian Securities Administrators on SEDAR+ ([www.sedarplus.ca](http://www.sedarplus.ca)) and with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on EDGAR ([www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov)), including the Company's Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, under the heading "Risk Factors." This list of risk factors should not be construed as exhaustive. Readers are cautioned that events or circumstances could cause results to differ materially from those predicted, forecasted or projected. The forward-looking statements contained in this document speak only as of the date of this document. FSD Pharma does not undertake any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements or information contained herein, except as required by applicable laws. The forward-looking statements contained in this document are expressly qualified by this cautionary statement.*

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