

# IMC Announces Israeli Government Advancing Cannabis Decriminalization

- Decriminalization framework passes first reading with Ministerial Committee on Legislation
- IMC in market leading position in Israel to benefit from cannabis reforms and larger market

TORONTO and GLIL YAM, Israel, June 22, 2020 /CNW/ - IM Cannabis Corp. (the "Company" or "IMC") (CSE: IMCC), one of the world's pioneering medical cannabis companies with operations in Israel and across Europe, is pleased to announce that the Israeli government has advanced legislation for the decriminalization of cannabis. Yesterday, June 21, the Ministerial Committee on Legislation approved a bill for the decriminalization of cannabis, which proposes: cannabis to be permitted for those over the age of 21, excluding those in security-related occupations; prohibiting driving under the influence of cannabis; placing limitations on advertising cannabis consistent with tobacco; and developing an advocacy fund for students. In order to become law, the bill will need to pass three readings.

"We are adamant supporters of decriminalization of cannabis in Israel and are pleased to see the government act so quickly to develop a framework for cannabis reforms. With our expanding network of domestic and international suppliers, which now includes Spain and Canada, we remain very well positioned to service the growing demand for medical cannabis in Israel and expect that our brand's leadership position will thrive with decriminalization as consumers seek the highest quality cannabis products," said Oren Shuster Chief Executive Officer of IMC.

## **About IM Cannabis Corp.**

IMC is an international medical cannabis company, and a well-known Israeli brand of medical cannabis products. In Europe, IMC is establishing a medical cannabis operation first with its distribution subsidiary in Germany and augmented by strategic agreements with certified EU-GMP Standard suppliers, making it one of the only medical cannabis companies with fully integrated operations in Europe. IMC intends to leverage its operational experience and brand to establish a foothold in emerging medical cannabis markets including Germany, Portugal and Greece. IMC's core Israeli business includes offering branding, know-how and other intellectual property-related services to the Israeli medical cannabis market. Its key assets in Israel include commercial agreements with licensed producers and an option to purchase licensed entities. IMC has developed proprietary processes in its operations and is active in developing and investing in innovative technology for global medical cannabis consumers leveraging its reputation and expertise in the medical cannabis sector.

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