Idaho Champion Announces up to \$4 Million Private Placement of Flow-Through Shares

Toronto, Ontario--(Newsfile Corp. - May 18, 2023) - <u>Idaho Champion</u> (CSE: ITKO) (OTCQB: GLDRF) (FSE: 1QB1) ("**Idaho Champion**" or the "**Company**") is pleased to announce that the Company is arranging a private placement of up to 20,000,000 flow through shares ("**FT Shares**") at a price of \$0.20 per FT Share. The Company anticipates gross proceeds of up to \$4,000,000.

The FT Shares will qualify as "flow-through shares" within the meaning of subsection 66(15) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

The gross proceeds from the issuance of the FT Shares will be used by the Company to incur Canadian exploration expenses that will qualify as "flow-through critical mineral mining expenditures", as defined in subsection 127(9) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) and, in respect of Québec resident subscribers who are eligible individuals, will qualify for inclusion in the "exploration base relating to certain Québec exploration expenses" and the "exploration base relating to certain Québec exploration expenses" as such terms are defined in the *Taxation Act* (Québec) (the "**Qualifying Expenditures**") on the Company's properties in Quebec on or before December 31, 2024 which the Company shall renounce to the subscribers with an effective date no later than December 31, 2023.

The private placement is expected to close on or about June 8, 2023.

In accordance with applicable Canadian securities laws, all securities issued pursuant to the private placement with be legended with a hold period of four months and one day from the date of issuance. Completion of the private placement remains subject to the receipt of all necessary regulatory approvals, including approval of the Canadian Securities Exchange (the "**CSE**").

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About Idaho Champion Gold Mines Inc.

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Idaho Champion takes its social license seriously, employing local community members and service providers at its operations whenever possible.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD,

"Jonathan Buick" Jonathan Buick, President and CEO

To learn more, please visit the Company's SEDAR profile at <u>www.sedar.com</u> or the Company's corporate website at <u>www.idahochamp.com</u>.

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