

Gravitas Announces Definitive Agreement Regarding the Sale of Securities in Gravitas Ilium Corp.

Toronto, Ontario--(Newsfile Corp. - October 18, 2019) - Gravitas Financial Inc. (CSE: GFI): Further to its news release dated May 28, 2019 announcing the entering into of an accommodation agreement (the "**Accommodation Agreement**") and related sale and investment solicitation process ("**SISP**"), Gravitas Financial Inc. ("**Gravitas**") announces that it has entered into a share purchase agreement effective October 11, 2019 (the "**Purchase Agreement**") with Ilium Capital Corp. ("**Ilium**") pursuant to which Ilium will acquire from Gravitas: (i) the issued and outstanding common shares in the capital of Gravitas Ilium Corp. ("**GIC**"), being 13,830,000 common shares ("**Purchased Shares**"); and (ii) a release of all of the claims by Gravitas for indebtedness owed by GIC and its subsidiary, Foregrowth Inc. to Gravitas (the "**Released Indebtedness**" and together with the Purchased Shares, the "**Purchased Assets**") in consideration for an aggregate purchase price of \$500,000 (the "**Transaction**").

Provided that all conditions set out in the Purchase Agreement have been satisfied or waived in accordance therein, Ilium shall pay the purchase price of the Purchased Assets without withholding, set-off or reduction. The proceeds of the Transaction will be used primarily to satisfy Gravitas' secured debt obligations, in accordance with the Accommodation Agreement. **None of the proceeds from the Transaction shall be distributed to shareholders of Gravitas.**

A committee established in connection with the SISP, comprised of an independent and disinterested member of the board of directors of Gravitas, as well as board of directors following the recommendation of the committee, reviewed and accepted the terms of the Transaction and determined that it is in the best interest of Gravitas considering, among other things:

- the recommendation of FTI Capital Advisors - Canada ULC ("**FTI**"), the party assisting with the SISP, after consultation with FAAN Advisors in its capacity as Chief Process Advisor, with FTI advising that the Transaction is reasonable and appropriate;
- the Transaction being supported by the majority holders of Gravitas' secured debt; and
- the current financial situation of Gravitas.

The Transaction is subject to certain customary closing conditions as well as certain regulatory approvals, including approvals from the applicable securities regulators, the applicable securities exchanges and the Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada.

As previously disclosed, at the upcoming annual and special meeting of shareholders of Gravitas, scheduled to be held on Tuesday, October 29, 2019 (the "**Meeting**"), Gravitas is seeking approval of its shareholders in connection with other previously announced transactions, which could result in the sale of all or substantially all of the property of Gravitas. In connection with the Meeting, Gravitas sent to its shareholders a management information circular dated as of September 30, 2019 (the "**Information Circular**"). The Transaction was described in the Information Circular as a "Potential Transaction". Accordingly, the persons named in the form of proxy which accompanied the Information Circular intend to vote **FOR** the resolution which approves the Transaction (as part of the "Potential Transactions"), which is part of the resolution approving the sale of all or substantially all of the property of Gravitas, unless the shareholder has specified in the form of proxy that the common shares of Gravitas represented by such form of proxy are to be voted against such resolution.

Forward-looking Statements.

Certain statements in this news release constitute "forward-looking" statements. These statements relate to future events or our future performance and, in certain cases, can be identified by the use of words such as "will", "shall", "could" occur, or the negative forms of any of these words and other similar expressions. Forward-looking statements include the closing of the Transaction on the same terms or in the time provided or that conditions to closing in respect of the Transaction will be satisfied including without limitation: the compliance by the parties with various covenants contained in the Purchase Agreement and obtaining the required regulatory approvals and shareholder approvals for, *inter alia*, the Transaction at the Meeting; the timing of the completion of the Transaction; the use of proceeds of the Transaction; and the timing of the Meeting. All such statements involve substantial known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements to vary from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements reflect current expectations regarding future events and operating performance and speak only as of the date of this news release. Forward-looking statements involve significant risks and uncertainties, they should not be read as guarantees of future performance or results, and they will not necessarily be accurate indications of whether or not such results will be achieved. A number of factors could cause actual results to differ materially from the results discussed in the forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to, that the closing conditions to the Transaction, including shareholder approvals, are not satisfied or waived (if applicable). Although the forward-looking statements contained in this news release are based upon what management of Gravitas believes are reasonable assumptions on the date of this news release, Gravitas cannot assure investors that actual results will be consistent with these forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties and other risks detailed from time-to-time in Gravitas' ongoing filings with the securities regulatory authorities, which filings can be found at www.sedar.com. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this news release and Gravitas disclaims any intent or obligation to update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, unless required by applicable securities laws.

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