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Hillcrest Announces Closing of Temporary Warrant Exercise Program and First Tranche of Non-Brokered Private Placement

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VANCOUVER, British Columbia, October 26, 2022 – Hillcrest Energy Technologies (CSE: HEAT) (OTCQB: HLRTF), a clean technology company developing transformative power conversion technologies and control system solutions for next-generation electric vehicles and electrical systems, today announced the closing of its previously announced temporary warrant exercise program ("Program") and the closing of the first tranche of its previously announced non-brokered private placement ("Offering").

Pursuant to the Program, which was intended to encourage the early exercise of up to 14,100,000 outstanding common share purchase warrants ("Eligible Warrants), the company received written commitments to exercise 3,750,000 of the Eligible Warrants, resulting in 4,500,000 common shares being issued with gross proceeds of \$450,000.

The company also submitted for closing the first tranche of the Offering. The Offering consists of up to 20,000,000 units of the company ("Units") at a price of CDN \$0.12 per Unit. Each Unit contains 1.2 common shares of the company. Gross proceeds from the first tranche are expected to total \$1,460,000 from subscriptions of 12,166,667 Units at a price of CDN \$0.12, resulting in the expected issuance of 14,600,000 common shares of the company.

A second and final tranche is expected to occur on or before November 14, 2022.

A portion of the Offering constitutes a "related party transaction" within the meaning of Multilateral Instrument 61-101 – *Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions* ("MI 61-101") as 1,506,667 Units were issued to certain insiders of the company pursuant to the Offering. The issuance of the securities to the insiders are exempt from the formal valuation and minority shareholder approval requirements under MI 61-101 pursuant to subsections 5.5(b) and 5.7(1)(a) as the company's common shares are not listed on a specified market and the fair market value of these securities will not exceed 25% of the company's market capitalization.

All securities issued in connection with the Offering will be subject to a four-month hold period from the closing date, in accordance with applicable securities laws.

The securities of the company referred to in this press release have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "U.S. Securities Act"), or any state securities laws. Accordingly, the securities of the company may not be offered or sold within the United States unless registered under the U.S. Securities Act and applicable state

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Additional details regarding the Program and the Offering are contained in the company's news release from October 11, 2022.

About Hillcrest Energy Technologies

Hillcrest Energy Technologies is a clean technology Company developing high-value, high-performance power conversion technologies and digital control systems for next-generation powertrains and grid-connected renewable energy systems. From concept to commercialization, Hillcrest is investing in the development of energy solutions that will power a more sustainable and electrified future. Hillcrest is publicly traded on the CSE under the symbol "HEAT," on the OTCQB Venture Market as "HLRTF". For more information, please visit: https://hillcrestenergy.tech/.

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