Body and Mind Opens Markham Illinois Dispensary

Las Vegas Nevada and Vancouver, British Columbia--(Newsfile Corp. - April 26, 2023) - Body and Mind Inc. (CSE: BAMM) (OTCQB: BMMJ) (the "**Company**" or "**BaM**") an operations-driven multistate cannabis company, is pleased to announce entry into the Illinois market with the opening of the Body and Mind dispensary in Markham, Illinois.

The Body and Mind dispensary is a full-service cannabis dispensary and brings our battle-tested skills and experience from the California, Nevada, Ohio, Michigan and Arkansas markets to help patients and customers with a wide range of brands and cannabis offerings including edibles, flowers, vaping products, concentrates, capsules, tinctures, topicals and accessories. The new location offers convenient on-line ordering for pickup.

"We are excited to open the Markham dispensary and believe that Illinois continues to be an underserved market for cannabis patients and customers," said Michael Mills, CEO of Body and Mind. "We believe our approachable and efficient store design, curated product offerings, and knowledgeable staff will be welcomed in the Illinois market. The second Body and Mind dispensary in Illinois is moving through the development stage and the Company is advancing our Illinois and New Jersey opportunities as quickly as possible."

"I would like to further acknowledge and thank our license application team on the culmination of their efforts in applying for Illinois licenses which started in 2019. We consider license applications to be one of our core Company competencies which work in parallel to our operating dispensaries, cultivation and processing business units. We believe that winning licenses through successful applications remains one of the highest return on investment activities in cannabis. We have demonstrated success with winning license applications and look forward to using this parallel path to create potential additional shareholder value while ensuring we are focused on operational excellence in Illinois and New Jersey."

The Company has options to acquire the Body and Mind-branded dispensary in Markham, Illinois along with the other Illinois Body and Mind-branded dispensary pursuant to a convertible credit facility between DEP and each of NMG IL 1, LLC and NMG IL 4, LLC and membership interest purchase agreements between DEP and the members of NMG IL 1, LLC and NMG IL 4, LLC. The dispensaries are managed by the Company.

Additionally, and as authorized by the Company's compensation committee and board of directors, the Company has issued an aggregate of 9,773,000 stock options (the "**Options**") in accordance with the Company's 2023 Stock and Incentive Plan. The Options are exercisable at a price of CAD\$0.065 per share for a five (5) year term expiring April 25, 2028. The Options were granted to certain directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company. 5,723,000 of the Options vested immediately and 4,050,000 of the Options vest as to 25% on each date that is 6 months, 12 months, 18 months and 24 months from the date of grant. In accordance with the Policies of the Canadian Securities Exchange, the Options and any common shares issued upon exercise will be subject to a four-month resale restriction from the date of grant.

About Body and Mind Inc.

BaM is an operations-focused cannabis company with active retail operations in Ohio, Arkansas, and California, pending retail operations in Illinois and New Jersey, and craft cultivation and/or processing operations in Nevada, Ohio and Arkansas. We work daily to increase our market share through delighting customers while also continuing to hone our operational efficiencies to drive profits. We are primarily guided by the metric of return on investment. Currently, we believe the most significant return on investment projects in front of us are successful retail cannabis store launches in Illinois and New Jersey, which augment our existing retail footprint. We also believe that our team's core operational skillsets will

create significant future shareholder value as the cannabis industry matures.

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