Body and Mind Fully Repays Senior Secured Lender

Closes Ohio Dispensary Transaction

Las Vegas, Nevada and Vancouver, British Columbia--(Newsfile Corp. - October 18, 2023) - Body and Mind Inc. (CSE: BAMM) (OTCQB: BMMJ) (the **"Company"** or **"BaM"**), a multi-state operations-focused cannabis company, is pleased to announce that the Company's wholly owned subsidiary, DEP Nevada, Inc. ("**DEP**") has closed the previously announced transaction to sell all of its interests in the Body and Mind Ohio dispensary for total consideration of US\$8.225 million in cash (with an additional US\$2.5 million in potential contingent proceeds - see *Transaction Details* below). Simultaneously with the closing of the disposition of the dispensary, the Company has fully repaid its US\$7.33 million debt owing to its senior secured lender. The balance of proceeds from the disposition of the dispensary will be used to support the development of the Company's retail assets in Illinois and New Jersey.

"The closing of the Ohio dispensary divestment and early repayment of our senior secured debt allows us to continue to develop our prime retail assets in Illinois and New Jersey, substantially lowers our interest expenses by roughly US\$1 million per year and provides the potential for BaM to benefit from future Ohio adult use legalization," said Michael Mills, CEO of Body and Mind. "I'd like to thank our team in Ohio who opened one of the early dispensaries in Ohio and have worked hard to continually provide exceptional service and create patient loyalty."

Mr. Mills continued: "We remain hyper focused on building a strong operations-centric portfolio of cannabis dispensaries. Our dispensary in Markam, Illinois will be hosting a customer appreciation day on October 20th with an opportunity for customers to connect with many local and national brands. Dispensary construction in Lynnwood, Illinois is progressing with all walls complete, roof trusses installed and earthworks ongoing. The dispensary license in Lawrenceville, New Jersey continues to be in the permitting process for its annual license and approval of the building permit. We look forward to providing updates on our continued progress in the future."

Transaction Details

As previously reported on July 24, 2023, pursuant to the equity purchase agreement with FarmaceuticalRX, LLC (the "**Purchaser**"), DEP agreed to sell all of the issued and outstanding interests, equity, or profit interests (the "**Interests**") in NMG OH 1, LLC ("**NMG OH**"), which owns and operates the Body and Mind Ohio dispensary, to the Purchaser. The Body and Mind Ohio dispensary opened in 2019 and has now been sold to the Purchaser for an initial purchase price for the Interests of US\$8.225 million, subject to a working capital adjustment and other customary adjustments. The transaction also includes a contingent of a US\$2.5 million bonus payment to DEP for each additional dispensary license granted to NMG OH by the State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy in the future (excluding any adult use license for the existing dispensary).

About Body and Mind Inc.

BaM is an operations-focused cannabis company with active retail operations in Arkansas, Illinois 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.

About FRX Dispensaries & FARMACEUTICALRX, LLC

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