# Vibe Reports Financial Results for Third Quarter 2022

Sacramento, California--(Newsfile Corp. - November 29, 2022) - Vibe Growth Corporation (**CSE: VIBE**) (**OTCQX: VIBEF**) (the "**Company**" or "**Vibe**"), a vertically integrated California cannabis enterprise, has released its 2022 third quarter financial results. All financial information is provided in U.S. dollars unless otherwise indicated. The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and Management Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022, are available on the Company's SEDAR profile at <a href="www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a> and Vibe's website at <a href="www.vibebycalifornia.com">www.vibebycalifornia.com</a>.

"The Vibe team continues to focus on building its California dispensary portfolio and integrating its most recently opened new stores in Ukiah and Salinas. We have implemented new sales and marketing initiatives dedicated to growing our Hype brand and improving operational business efficiencies, along with efforts to increase our margin profile. We have also decreased our emphasis on high revenue, low margin products, which has contributed to lower revenues but stronger net results," commented Vibe CEO Mark Waldron.

#### **New Product Introductions**

Vibe launched 20 new premium quality Hype Cannabis Co. SKUs in November 2022 that are currently available in its retail stores and online. Vibe also bolstered its cultivation operations in the third quarter, adding over a dozen of the latest elite phenotypes to its genetic library. The new cultivars were carefully selected to meet customer demand for THC potency and flavorful terpene expression. The new genetics will be available in several new Hype Cannabis Co. products launching in December 2022 and January 2023.

## **Cultivation Expansion**

Construction is underway of Vibe's flagship 10-acre cultivation facility in Monterey County ("MC"), with a 17,000 square foot enclosed, UV-resistant Polyethylene greenhouse. Greenhouse materials required to complete Phase 1 of the low iron glass ("Dutch Glass") 70,000-square-foot facility have been manufactured, paid in full, and delivered to the Company. Final completion of Phase 1 construction will proceed upon regulatory approval of revised grading plans submitted by the Company to reduce construction costs related to stormwater retention. The contracted price to assemble the 70,000-square-foot Dutch Glass greenhouse for Phase 1 is \$300,000 plus site work costs that will be re-tendered to local contractors upon County approval. The new MC phase will represent one of the best combinations of high-quality/low-cost output in the State of California.

# **Third Quarter 2022 Highlights**

- As of September 30, 2022, Vibe's cash position was \$6.0 million;
- Dispensary Gross Margin increased to 33.6% in the quarter and 36.6% in the 2022 nine-month period compared to 29.9% and 32.6% in the comparative three and nine-month periods of 2021(1):
- Tax-adjusted cash flow<sup>(1)</sup> in the third quarter was -\$136,804;
- EBITDA loss and Adjusted EBITDA loss of \$450,381 and \$208,643 compared to EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA of \$366,551 and \$428,041 in the second guarter of 2022;
- In the nine-month period, the Company generated an Adjusted EBITDA of \$115,668;
- Revenues were \$5.52 million for the third quarter of 2022, compared to \$5.73 in the second

quarter of 2022, representing a 3.6% decrease; and

- E-commerce Orders accounted for 18.0% of transactions in the third quarter of 2022.
- (1) This is a non-IFRS measure. Readers are cautioned that the amounts presented do not have standardized meanings prescribed by IFRS. Please see the non-GAAP Financial Measures Disclosure below.

#### **Financial Highlights**

The Company's key financial results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022, and 2021 are as follows:

U.S. Dollars	For the three months ended September 30,	For the three months ended month	For the nine	For the nine months ended
	2022	September 30, 2021	30, 2022	September 30, 2021
Total revenue <sup>(a)</sup>	\$5,522,473	\$7,637,333	\$16,921,735	\$22,971,758
Gross margin	\$1,853,723	\$2,507,216	\$6,200,133	\$7,517,834
Net loss	\$(1,130,063)	\$(926,158)	\$(2,775,042)	\$(958,738
Adjusted funds flow(b)	\$(359,304)	\$52,307	\$(955,642)	\$827,145
EBITDA <sup>(a)</sup>	\$(450,381)	\$(102,354)	\$(371,235)	\$1,455,152
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(a)</sup>	\$(208,643)	\$639,279	\$115,668	\$2,539,742

#### Special Note Regarding non-GAAP Financial Measures

(a) This is a non-GAAP measure. Readers are cautioned that the amounts presented do not have standardized meanings prescribed by IFRS. See discussion of non-IFRS Measures in the MD&A for reconciliation to measures reported in the Company's consolidated financial statements.

(b) Adjusted funds flow (previously referred to as funds flow from operations) is a non-GAAP measure representing cash flows from operating activities as presented in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows before the changes in non-cash working capital. The Company considers adjusted funds flow a key measure as it demonstrates the Company's ability to generate the cash flow necessary to fund future growth through capital investment and to repay debt.

### **About Vibe Growth Corporation**

Vibe Growth Corporation and its cannabis retail brand, Vibe By California, is a trusted, vertically integrated California cannabis enterprise with retail dispensaries; cannabis greenhouse cultivation; premium indoor cultivation; commercial cannabis distribution; brand sales and marketing; e-commerce platform; home delivery; and <a href="Hype Cannabis Co.">Hype Cannabis Co.</a> marijuana and <a href="Vibe CBD">Vibe CBD</a> products. In California, Vibe is focused on maximizing shareholder value through accelerating organic growth, opportunistic acquisitions, distressed workouts, and new license applications. The Company operates retail and e-commerce under its iconic Vibe By California brand.

To learn more about Vibe, please visit: <a href="www.vibebycalifornia.com">www.vibebycalifornia.com</a>

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Unlike in Canada, which has Federal legislation uniformly governing the cultivation, distribution, sale, and possession of medical cannabis under the Cannabis Act (Federal), readers are cautioned that in the U.S., cannabis is largely regulated at the State level. To the knowledge of Vibe Growth Corporation, there are, to date, a total of 33 states, plus the District of Columbia, that have legalized cannabis in some form. Notwithstanding the permissive regulatory environment of medical cannabis at the State level, cannabis continues to be categorized as a controlled substance under the Controlled Substances Act in the U.S., and as such, cannabis-related practices or activities, including, without limitation, the manufacture, importation, possession, use or distribution of cannabis are illegal under U.S. federal law. Strict compliance with state laws concerning cannabis will neither absolve Vibe of liability under the U.S. Federal lawnor will it provide a defense to any Federal proceeding which may be brought against Vibe Growth Corporation. Any such proceedings brought against Vibe may adversely affect its operations and financial performance.



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