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IONIC BRANDS TERMINATES LETTER OF INTENT FOR BUSINESS COMBINATION WITH A CANADIAN LICENSED PRODUCER

Vancouver, BC January 18, 2021 – Ionic Brands Corp. ("Ionic" or the "Company") (CSE: IONC / FRA: IB3 / OTC QB: IONKF) Ionic Brands Corp. announces the termination of letter of intent for a business combination with a Canadian licensed producer as previously announced on December 19, 2021. The parties failed to reach mutually agreed to terms to form a legally binding agreement.

John P. Gorst, Ionic Brands Corp. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, said, "I remain optimistic about other future opportunities, in addition to continuing to build out Ionic Brands, and more importantly, we will continue to aggressively pursue business combinations that are accretive to building shareholder value." Further, John Gorst states, "Ionic is dedicated to building a regionally based multi-state consumer-focused cannabis concentrate brand portfolio with strong roots in the premium and luxury segments of vape concentrates and edibles. The cornerstone brand of the portfolio, Ionic, is a top vaporizer brand in Washington State along with its economy brand Dabulous and has aggressively expanded throughout the Pacific Northwest of the United States. The Company is currently operating in Washington and Oregon. Ionic's strategy is to be the leader of the highest-value segments of the cannabis market."

On behalf of Ionic Brands Corp.

John Gorst, Chief Executive Officer

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