

BIGG Digital Assets Subsidiary TerraZero Technologies Inc. and Napster Unveil Second Phase of Artist Metaverse Experiences: Ric Wilson to Host Exclusive Q&A and Artist Chat in Napster Virtual Hangout



## **Napster Virtual Hangout**

Leading independent Chicago rap, funk, and R&B artist, Ric Wilson, to host the first Napster artist Q&A in a virtual hangout on May 16th, 2024, exclusively for Napster subscribers.

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VANCOUVER, BC and Nashville, TN – **BIGG Digital Assets Inc.** ("**BIGG**" or the "**Company**") (**CSE: BIGG; OTCQX: BBKCF; WKN: A2PS9W**), a leading innovator in the digital assets space and owner of Netcoins, Blockchain Intelligence Group and TerraZero is pleased to announce that TerraZero and <u>Napster</u>, the original music disruptor and longest running independent music streaming service in the world, and TerraZero Technologies, the leading open metaverse platform developing a suite of software products that bring brands and businesses into the metaverse announced the second phase of its groundbreaking artist metaverse experiences. Leading the

charge is the multi-talented Chicago artist, Ric Wilson, who will headline an exclusive Q&A and artist chat in a <u>virtual hangout</u> for Napster subscribers today, May 16th at 2 p.m. EDT.

The event marks a significant milestone in Napster's commitment to providing immersive, interactive experiences for music lovers worldwide. Available exclusively for Napster subscribers (non-subscribers can access the event by signing up for a free, 30-day Napster music trial membership), the session will commence at 2 p.m. EDT within Wilson's virtual hangout, a space unveiled earlier this year to much anticipation. Adding to the excitement, fans will have the opportunity to purchase limited edition merchandise, including exclusive t-shirts. Wilson will also pick one lucky participant to receive a free t-shirt. TerraZero sees all these exclusive aspects as how TerraZero, artists and their partners can monetize these virtual experiences and generate revenue.

Notable highlights of the event include:

- Exclusive Music Streaming: Napster subscribers can now stream full-length tracks from Ric Wilson, elevating the listening experience beyond the previous 30-second clips.
- Exclusive Access: The virtual hangout is accessible only to active Napster customers, who can easily join the event by initiating a free, 30-day music trial.
- Limited Edition Merchandise: Fans can indulge in the purchase of exclusive merchandise, featuring a specially designed t-shirt available in limited quantities.
- Live Q&A: Ric Wilson will be live in the Discoverse updating fans from his latest tours, discussing upcoming music launches, and then engaging in an open Q&A session, fostering direct interaction between Ric and his fans.

"We're thrilled to kick off this second phase with the unparalleled talent of Ric Wilson. This exclusive event represents a milestone in our commitment to empowering artists and providing unparalleled access to their craft," said Napster CEO, Jon Vlassopulos. "Through innovative initiatives like these, we're shaping the future of music engagement and redefining the boundaries of connection in the digital age."

Ric Wilson shares, "OH MAN I'm super excited to kick off the next phase of my Discoverse. Can't wait to hang out and chat with the Napster Community! Come join me later today for an exclusive LIVE Q&A!"

BIGG Digital Assets Interim CEO Dan Reitzik adds, "TerraZero is proud to continue to develop its Intraverse technology to support innovators like Napster and artist innovators like Ric. The way Ric can sell merch, and then engage with fans, with how Napster can bridge that connection together – this is the vision for TerraZero and the Intraverse, and how we see new forms of revenue growing for TerraZero and BIGG Digital Assets."

Napster subscribers can jump into Ric Wilson's <u>virtual hangout</u> today to purchase exclusive tshirts and listen to full-length tracks while exploring the space. The live Q&A with Wilson will take place today, May 16th at 2 p.m. EDT.

# On behalf of the Board

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# ABOUT NAPSTER

In 1999, Napster changed the music industry forever when it launched the world's first peer-topeer music sharing service. Peaking at 85M users, for many, Napster was not only their first experience of digital music but also their first real social media experience.

Napster went on to be combined with Rhapsody, resulting in the first legal \$9.99 music streaming service. Operational now for 20+ years, Napster is currently available in 34 countries and across a wide range of connected devices from computers to cars. Napster is now once again gearing to revolutionize the music industry, evolving music streaming from being an access-based monthly subscription model to a social music platform and marketplace that connects artists and fans, unlocking unprecedented new creative and commercial opportunities.

Napster believes that control has become too centralized and wants to put it back in the hands of artists, allowing them to create virtual merchandise and digital experiences for their fans to earn or purchase. Fans will benefit from physical and digital rewards and will have the chance to interact and create with their favorite artists. Backed by some of the top VCs and Web3 leaders, with an industry leading and visionary management team, Napster is perfectly positioned to regain its place as the #1 music platform.

For more information, please visit Napster.com.

# About BIGG Digital Assets Inc.

BIGG Digital Assets Inc. (BIGG) believes the future of crypto is a safe, compliant, and regulated environment. BIGG invests in products and companies to support this vision. BIGG has three portfolio companies: Netcoins (netcoins.com), Blockchain Intelligence Group (blockchaingroup.io), and TerraZero (terrazero.com).

**TerraZero Technologies Inc.** is a vertically integrated Metaverse development group and leading Web3 technology company specializing in helping brands create immersive experiences. TerraZero's Metaverse-agnostic vision is to develop and implement products and services with scalable commercial applications to flourish engagement across gamified experiences where enterprise-level businesses, metaverse platforms, and Web3 creators can seamlessly bridge and actionably grow their virtual world and the physical world endeavors together as one. TerraZero owns digital real estate for brands to establish presence in existing virtual worlds and can also offer brands their own private worlds to provide offices and services to those interested in the metaverse. Furthermore, TerraZero acquires, designs, builds, and operates virtual assets and solutions to monetize the metaverse ecosystem. TerraZero's businesses are segmented into five

(5) divisions which include: (1) immersive experience creation in existing or private virtual worlds; (2) advertising; (3) data analytics; (4) events and marketing; and (5) development of the Intraverse. TerraZero aims to support the community, foster innovation, and drive adoption. For more information, please visit https://terrazero.com/ or contact hello@terrazero.com.

**Blockchain Intelligence Group** is an industry leading digital asset forensics, anti-money laundering detection, and cryptocurrency investigations company. At the heart of our operations is a deep-rooted expertise in visualizing digital assets and market related activities. This expertise is leveraged to monitor transactional data with a constant eye to assisting our customers with risk management, due diligence, and forensic services for digital assets.

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# ABOUT RIC WILSON

The Chicago-made Ric Wilson has been on a hell of a ride since he broke out with three consecutive EPs - *Soul Bounce* (2016), *Negrow Disco* (2017), and *BANBA* (2018). Before the world shut down, the rapper, performer, and activist spent 2019 on a festival tear through Treefort, Rolling Loud, Governors Ball, and a hometown Pitchfork set (named the 2nd best live show of 2019 only after Lizzo by the *Chicago Tribune*) before going on to release his acclaimed *They Call Me Disco* EP with Terrace Martin, and a breakout single called "Fight Like Ida B & Marsha P." Wilson has shared the stage and opened for a wide range such as Cory Henry, Big Freedia, The Roots, Black Pumas, BADBADNOTGOOD, Yellow Days, DRAMA, Chromeo, and more, and was named a highlight of SXSW 2023 by Rolling Stone.

Wilson's newest project, *CLUSTERFUNK*, produced by Chromeo & A-Trak, was released to praise from the likes of *Billboard*, *Uproxx*, *Andscape*, *The FADER*, *MTV News*, *PAPER*, and more. Complete with features from King Louie, Felicia Douglass of Dirty Projectors, STIC.MAN of Dead Prez, Kiéla Adira, and a passage from Mariame Kaba, the nine records on *CLUSTERFUNK* are vibrant, two-step-ready anthems. The nostalgic tint lights the way, calling upon funk and soul lineages for an update that aims between timely and timeless. This is the sound Wilson always wants to stand on: upbeat, uptempo, no fear of what the crowd may think.

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#### **Forward-Looking Statements:**

Certain statements in this release are forward-looking statements or information, which include the expected opportunities, outcomes, potential and benefits of the Company's products and services, the launch of the virtual hangout with Napster's artist, Ric Wilson, the expected adoption and growth of the metaverse, cryptocurrency and the Company's products and services, evaluating, researching and predicting market trends, the development and completion of products and services, the launch of products and services, events, plans, courses of action, and the potential of the Company's technology and operations and other matters. Forward-looking statements consist of statements that are not purely historical, including any statements regarding beliefs, plans, expectations or intentions regarding the future. Such information can generally be identified by the use of forward-looking wording such as "may", "expect", "estimate", "anticipate", "intend", "believe" and "continue" or the negative thereof or similar variations. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, as there can be no assurance that the plans, intentions or expectations upon which they are based will occur. By their nature, forward-looking statements involve numerous assumptions, known and unknown risks and uncertainties, both general and specific, that contribute to the possibility that the predictions, estimates, forecasts, projections and other forward-looking statements will not occur. These assumptions, risks and uncertainties include, among other things, the state of the economy in general and capital markets in particular, the ability to manage operating expenses, which may adversely affect the Company's financial condition, the ability to remain competitive as other better financed competitors develop and release competitive products, volatility in the trading price of the common shares of the Company, the demand and pricing of cryptocurrency, the Company's ability to successfully define, design and release new products in a timely manner that meet customers' needs; the ability to attract, retain and motivate qualified personnel; competition in the industry; and other factors, many of which are beyond the control of BIGG. Forward-looking statements contained in this press release are expressly qualified by this cautionary statement. Undue reliance should not be placed on the forward-looking information because BIGG can give no assurance that they will prove to be correct. The securities of BIGG are considered highly speculative due to the nature of BIGG's business. For further information concerning these and other risks and uncertainties, refer to the Company's website and filings on www.sedarplus.ca. In addition, BIGG's past performance may not be a reliable indicator of future performance.

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