

# NEWS RELEASE

# Metasphere Labs Inc. Unveils Bitcoin-Based Identity System, and Enters Exclusive Licensing Talks with Bot Ventures Inc.

**Vancouver, British Columbia – April 23, 2024/ Globe Newswire / – Metasphere Labs Inc.** (formerly Looking Glass Labs Ltd., "**Metasphere**" or the "**Company**") (Cboe Canada: <u>LABZ</u>) (OTC: <u>LABZF</u>) (FRA: <u>H1N</u>) is proud to announce an initiative to develop a pioneering bitcoinbased identity system, leveraging the "Spaces Protocol" to enable decentralized digital identities. This system uses Bitcoin's infrastructure to offer a scalable and permissionless identity framework, enhancing online authenticity and security.

# **Combatting AI-Driven Spam and Disinformation**

In response to the growing challenge of Al-driven spam and disinformation, Metasphere's new system aims to authenticate real human and multimedia interactions. This initiative is a key step toward ensuring the integrity of online content and communications.

# Exclusive Licensing Negotiations with Bot Ventures Inc.

Metasphere is currently in exclusive negotiations to license this platform to Bot Ventures Inc. ("**Bot Ventures**"), a pioneer in the chatbot industry known for its directory and verification service, botpages.com. Bot Ventures plans to sunset its existing platform and develop a new decentralized identity and certification layer for the Internet, utilizing the tools created by Metasphere. This collaboration represents a significant advancement in creating a secure, decentralized digital ecosystem.

Natasha Ingram, CEO of Metasphere stated, "Our potential partnership with Bot Ventures would mark a pivotal moment in our mission to secure digital identities. By combining our innovative technology with Bot Ventures' industry leadership, we would be setting new standards for online authenticity and trust."

# A Decentralized Solution for Digital Security

Acting as a decentralized certificate authority, Metasphere's system facilitates secure digital identities and transactions. This approach mitigates the risks associated with centralized control, offering a robust solution for digital content authentication and online interaction verification.

# Leveraging Bitcoin for Enhanced Security

By building on the secure and scalable infrastructure of Bitcoin, Metasphere is at the forefront of enhancing online security and user authenticity. This initiative underscores the company's commitment to leveraging cutting-edge technology for a more trustworthy digital future.

# ABOUT METASPHERE LABS

Headquartered in Vancouver, British Columbia, Metasphere develops metaverse environments, DAO solutions, gamification, and Web3 / blockchain monetisation strategies aiming to solve social coordination problems for acting on climate change and making a positive impact on the planet.

Metasphere specializes in developing innovative technologies that address the challenges of the digital age. Through the power of blockchain and other advanced technologies, Metasphere aims to create a safer, more transparent digital world.

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# Forward-Looking Information

This news release contains "forward-looking statements." Statements in this news release that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements and include any statements regarding beliefs, plans, expectations, or intentions regarding the future. Such forward-looking statements include, among other things, the bitcoin-based identity system initiative, open metaverse projects and development of virtual world projects.

The material assumptions supporting these forward-looking statements include, among others, that: the Company could mitigate the risks associated with the blockchain and NFT industry; the ability to compete with other businesses in the NFT, metaverse and blockchain markets; the availability of sufficient funding to carry out the Company's business development plans; favourable market conditions; and the market acceptance for its products.

Although management considers these assumptions to be reasonable based on information currently available to it, they may prove to be incorrect. These forward-looking statements are only predictions and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, including: the continued growth and adoption of NFT, metaverse and blockchain offerings; the cost of developing and designing NFTs and metaverses is economically viable; the Company being able to attract and retain a sufficient workforce with desired skillsets to develop the Company's digital offerings; the availability of offerings provided by third-parties in the NFT, metaverse development and online gaming market to identify potential transactions; the increasing adoption of NFTs as a

solution for various online gaming, entertainment and collectible uses; the Company having the ability to mitigate the risks associated with the blockchain and NFT industry; and the ability to compete with other businesses in the NFT, metaverse development, content creation and collectibles market.

Although management considers these assumptions to be reasonable based on information currently available to it, they may prove to be incorrect. These forward-looking statements are only predictions and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, including: the risk that the Company's offerings are not accepted by the consumer, the risk that other competitors may offer similar digital offerings; the risk that there may be negative changes in general economic and business conditions; the risk that the Company may have negative operating cash flow and not enough capital to complete the development of any of its technologies; the risk that the Company may not be able to obtain additional financing as necessary; the risk that there may be increases in capital and operating costs; the risk that the NFT technology may be subject to fraud and other failures; the risk that there may be technological changes and developments in the blockchain that make the NFT solutions obsolete; risks relating to regulatory changes or actions which may impede the development or operation of the blockchain solutions: the risk that other competitors may release similar blockchain offerings; the potential future unviability of the NFT market in general; the volatile cost of the amount of computational effort required to execute specific operations on the blockchain, and other general risks involved in the blockchain solutions.

Risks and uncertainties about the Company's business are more fully discussed in the Company's disclosure materials, including its reports filed with the Canadian securities regulators and which can be obtained from <u>www.sedarplus.ca</u>.

Any of these risks may cause the Company's actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. Further, although the Company has attempted to identify factors that could cause actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that cause results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that cause results, levels of activity, performance or achievements not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this news release, and the Company assumes no obligation to update the forward-looking statements, except as required by applicable law, including the securities laws of the United States and Canada. Although the Company believes that any beliefs, plans, expectations and intentions contained in this news release are reasonable, there can be no assurance that any such beliefs, plans, expectations or intentions will prove to be accurate. The Company does not assume any liability for disclosure relating to any other company mentioned herein.

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