Plant Veda enters into Share Purchase Agreement of Nora's Non-Dairy LTD

VANCOUVER, BC, Dec. 15, 2022 /CNW/ - <u>Plant Veda Foods Ltd.</u> (CSE: MILK) (OTC: PLVFF) (XFRA: A3CS6B) (the "Company" or "Plant Veda"), an award-winning dairy-alternative food manufacturer is pleased to announce that on December 5 2022, the company has entered into a Share Purchase Agreement to acquire all shares of Nora's Non-Dairy Ltd., a leading Canadian plant based ice cream company.



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The acquisition of Nora's makes the Company stronger in the plant-based dairy category by adding ice creams into the portfolio. Nora's aligns perfectly with their great tasting products, in addition to simple ingredients profile and sustainable paper-based packaging. The global plant-based ice cream market is expected to grow by \$1.55B during 2022-2026, accelerating at a CAGR of 11.49% (1).

Co-founded by Katherine Backman and Tyler Bothwell in 2017, Nora's produces and sells cashewbased ice creams in 5 flavours which are currently sold through approximately 250 stores across Canada including Whole Foods Market, Safeway, Thrifty Foods, and other leading Canadian grocers. Nora's products are also distributed to food service customers through Gordon Food Service.

"We are honoured and happy to welcome Nora's into our family," said Sunny and Vanita Gurnani, co-founders of Plant Veda.

"We are very excited to have come to an agreement with Plant Veda," commented Nora's cofounders Katherine and Tyler. "The Plant Veda team shares our enthusiasm for plant-based foods and Nora's product lineup aligns perfectly with their innovative products. We are excited for the next phase of growth, especially the plans for oat milk based ice cream and further development of the food service business."

As consideration of the Share Purchase, Plant Veda will issue \$300,000 worth of shares to Nora's shareholders based on the average traded price of the Company's common shares on the CSE over the preceding 20 days from the closing date of the transaction. All of the Payment Shares will be subject to a 3 year contractual hold period in addition to resale restrictions required under applicable securities laws in Canada. Plant Veda will also assume the Line of Credit liability of \$150,000 with Farm Credit Canada. As part of transition services, Katherine Backman and Tyler Bothwell will work with Plant Veda for 5 months and will be paid for a total of \$110,000, during which time they will help develop and launch oat milk based ice creams for food service using Plant Veda's proprietary creamy oat milk base. At the time of closing Plant Veda will review the latest working capital and may adjust the issuance of stock if there is any variance with the expected working capital.

The Company announces that Mayur Sajnani has tendered his resignation as a Director and Chief

Revenue Officer of the Company, and continues to work with the company as the Operations Manager. The company's VP of Global Sales Gregory Smith has joined the Board. We thank Mayur for his invaluable contribution to the board.

About Plant Veda (CSE:MILK) (OTC:PLVFF) (XFRA:A3CS6B)

<u>Plant Veda Foods Ltd.</u> has a mission to accelerate humanity's shift to a plant-based lifestyle. We remain clear in our goals: to improve the environment and humanity's overall health through plant-based consumption. Our Company has succeeded in creating award-winning plant-based dairy alternatives, continuing to shake up the dairy-free market by creating unique, one-of-a-kind products that leave our customers forgetting about dairy all together.

Learn more at www.plantveda.com and Nora's at www.norasnondairy.com

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⁽¹⁾ https://www.globenewswire.com/news-release/2022/09/19/2518577/0/en/The-Global-Vegan-Ice-Oream-Market-is-expected-to-grow-by-1-55-bn-during-2022-2026accelerating-at-a-CAGR-of-11-49-during-the-forecast-period.html

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