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## **EMPRESS ENGAGES GEOMORPHIC AI TO ENHANCE ROYALTY AND STREAMING DEAL ORIGINATION**

**VANCOUVER, B.C. - July 8, 2026** - Empress Royalty Corp. (TSXV: EMPR | OTCQX: EMPYF) (“Empress” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce that it has engaged Geomorphic AI Corporation (“Geomorphic AI”) to enhance its royalty and streaming deal origination process in support of the Company’s growth and acquisition strategy.

Geomorphic AI is a private North American developer of AI-driven minerals prospect generation with a proprietary geoscience platform designed to identify and evaluate mining investment opportunities. Under the engagement, Geomorphic AI will use its platform to systematically source, rank and conduct technical, resource and mine-life due diligence on prospective royalty and streaming opportunities. By combining artificial intelligence with advanced geoscience analysis, the platform further expands Empress’ ability to quickly identify and assess high-quality opportunities.

*“Disciplined origination is fundamental to the royalty and streaming business. The ability to identify and evaluate high-quality opportunities quickly, and across a much broader opportunity set than traditional methods allow, creates a meaningful competitive advantage,” stated Alexandra Woodyer Sherron, CEO & President of Empress. “Geomorphic AI enhances our ability to prioritize prospective opportunities while maintaining the rigorous technical evaluation our shareholders expect. By integrating advanced technology into our investment process, we aim to expand our pipeline of royalty and streaming opportunities and reinforcing our disciplined approach to creating long-term shareholder value.”*

*“Empress’ royalty and streaming model is well suited to a systematic, data-driven approach to investment origination”, stated Mark Sumner, CEO of Geomorphic AI. “Our platform combines artificial intelligence with geoscience analysis to rapidly identify, rank and technically evaluate prospective royalty and streaming opportunities, enabling Empress to efficiently assess a significantly broader range of opportunities than traditional*



*sourcing methods alone.” We look forward to working with Empress as it continues to expand its pipeline of high-quality royalty and streaming opportunities.”*

### **Agreement Highlights**

The Company has entered into a consulting services agreement (the “Agreement”) with Geomorphic AI under which Geomorphic AI will provide AI-assisted sourcing, technical screening and geological evaluation of prospective royalty and streaming investment opportunities. The platform integrates public-access datasets with technical, resource due diligence and mine-life analysis to generate a prioritized pipeline of opportunities for Empress to evaluate.

The engagement is intended to enhance Empress’s origination capabilities by expanding the reach and efficiency of its investment sourcing efforts. Their platform compliments the Company’s existing business development team and strategic partnership with Endeavour Financial, adding an additional technology-driven layer to its disciplined investment process.

In connection with the Agreement, Empress has agreed to grant 250,000 stock options to Geomorphic AI, exercisable at C\$0.83 per share for a period of five years from the date of grant, with immediate vesting of all options. The options will be issued pursuant to the Company’s stock option plan and are subject to the policies of, and acceptance by, the TSX Venture Exchange.

### **About Geomorphic AI**

Geomorphic AI Corporation is a private North American based AI-driven minerals prospect generator with a proprietary geoscience platform. Geomorphic AI deploys a purpose-built team of specialist AI agents for minerals exploration and evaluation covering geology, geochemistry, geophysics, permit screening, data capture, geological modelling and report writing, capturing project-specific and regional public-access data. These agents collaborate like a seamless digital exploration team. An orchestration engine autonomously evaluates targets via a structured workflow with quality gates at every stage. A persistent evidence store captures all findings including drilling intercepts, geochemical anomalies, permit checks with source, confidence and coordinates. Geomorphic AI also builds custom tools for clients, such as log digitization, 3D modeling



and data room analysis, with each engagement strengthening the platform. To learn more please visit: [www.geomorphic.ai](http://www.geomorphic.ai)

### **About Empress Royalty Corp.**

Empress is a global royalty and streaming creation company providing investors with a diversified portfolio of gold and silver investments. Empress has built a portfolio of precious metal investments and is actively investing in mining companies that require additional non-dilutive capital. The Company has strategic partnership with Endeavour Financial which allow Empress to access global investment opportunities while benefiting from mining finance expertise and deal structuring. Empress is looking forward to continuously creating value for its shareholders through the proven royalty and streaming models.

### **ON BEHALF OF EMPRESS ROYALTY CORP.**

Per: Alexandra Woodyer Sherron, CEO and President

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