



## **MASON RESOURCES ADOPTS SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS PLAN**

**Vancouver, BC, July 19, 2017** - Mason Resources Corp. (TSX:MNR – "**Mason Resources**" or the "**Company**") announces that its board of directors has today adopted a shareholder rights plan (the "**Rights Plan**").

The Rights Plan has been adopted to ensure, to the extent possible, that all shareholders of the Company are treated fairly and equally in connection with any take-over bid or other acquisition of control of the Company. The Rights Plan has not been adopted in response to any specific take-over bid or other proposal to acquire control of Mason Resources and Mason Resources is not aware of any such pending or contemplated proposals.

At the close of business today, one right will be issued and attached to each outstanding common share of Mason Resources. The rights will automatically attach to the common shares with no further action required by shareholders. A right will also automatically attach to each common share of Mason Resources issued hereafter.

Subject to the terms of the Rights Plan and to certain exceptions provided therein, the rights will become exercisable in the event that any person, together with its affiliates, associates and joint actors, acquires or announces its intention to acquire 20% or more of the Company's outstanding common shares without complying with the "Permitted Bid" provisions of the Rights Plan or in circumstances where the application of the Rights Plan is waived in accordance with its terms. The "Permitted Bid" provisions prevent the dilutive effects of the Rights Plan from operating if a take-over bid is made to all holders of common shares of the Company (other than the bidder) by way of a take-over bid circular that remains open for acceptance for a minimum of 105 days and satisfies certain other conditions that align with Canadian take-over bid rules. In circumstances where a take-over bid does not comply with the requirements of the Rights Plan or where the application of the Rights Plan is not waived in accordance with its terms, the rights holders (other than the acquiring person and its affiliates, associates and joint actors) will be entitled to purchase additional common shares of the Company at a significant discount to the market price.

The Rights Plan has been conditionally accepted by the Toronto Stock Exchange subject to ratification and confirmation by the shareholders of the Company within six months of its effective date. The Company intends to recommend that shareholders ratify and confirm the Rights Plan at a special meeting of shareholders to be held in 2017. If ratified and confirmed by shareholders, the Rights Plan will remain in effect until the close of business on the date of Mason Resources' annual meeting of shareholders in 2020. If the Rights Plan is not ratified and confirmed by shareholders within six months it, together with the outstanding rights, will terminate and be of no further force and effect.

A copy of the Rights Plan agreement will be made available under the Company's profile on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

## **ABOUT MASON RESOURCES CORP.**

Mason Resources Corp. is a well-funded Canadian company focused on copper exploration and development in the U.S.A. The Company's key asset is its 100% owned Ann Mason Project – an extensive, prospective land package located in the Yerington District of Nevada. The Ann Mason Project hosts two copper-molybdenum porphyry deposits, Ann Mason and Blue Hill, as well as numerous earlier-stage or untested priority targets. The Ann Mason deposit is currently at a PEA level and is among the largest undeveloped copper porphyry resources in Canada/U.S.A. The excellent infrastructure, year-round access, strong community support and clear permitting process are all factors that contribute to making Yerington, Nevada one of the best mining jurisdictions in the world. Mason also holds a 100% interest in the Lordsburg property, an exciting earlier-stage copper-gold porphyry project, located within an historic mining district in New Mexico.

Mason's strong financial position and high-quality asset portfolio provide it with a solid foundation and flexibility for growth, by advancing development of Ann Mason towards Pre-Feasibility, introducing one or more strategic development partners, exploring high priority targets or considering strategic acquisitions. More information on Mason Resources can be found at [www.MasonResources.com](http://www.MasonResources.com).

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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*Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements with respect to ratification of the Rights Plan at a meeting of shareholders to be held within six months of the effective date of the Rights Plan; completion of a Pre-Feasibility Study on the Ann Mason Project; potential development of the Ann Mason Project; plans for future exploration programs; anticipated business activities; corporate strategies; and future financial performance.*

*While the Company has based these forward-looking statements on its expectations about future events as at the date that such statements were prepared, the statements are not a guarantee of the Company's future performance and are based on numerous assumptions regarding present and future business strategies, local and global economic conditions and the environment in which Mason Resources will operate in the future, including the price of copper, gold, silver and molybdenum. Uncertainties and factors which could cause actual results to differ materially from future results expressed or implied by forward-looking statements and information include, amongst others, unanticipated costs, expenses or liabilities; discrepancies between actual and anticipated production, mineral resources and metallurgical recoveries; the size, grade and continuity of deposits not being interpreted correctly from exploration results; the results of preliminary test work not being indicative of the results of future test work; fluctuations in commodity prices and demand; changing foreign exchange rates; actions by government authorities; the availability of funding on reasonable terms; the impact of changes in interpretation to or changes in enforcement of, laws, regulations and government practices, including laws, regulations and government practices with respect to mining, foreign investment, royalties and taxation; the terms and timing of obtaining necessary environmental and other government approvals, consents and permits; the availability and cost of necessary items such as power, water, skilled labour, transportation and appropriate smelting and refining arrangements; and misjudgements in the course of preparing forward-looking statements. In addition, there are also known and unknown risk factors which may cause the actual results, performances or achievements of the Company to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements and information. Such factors include, among others, risks related to international operations, including legal and political risk; risks associated with changes in the attitudes of governments to foreign investment; changes in project parameters as plans continue to be refined; inability to upgrade Inferred mineral resources to Indicated or Measured mineral resources; inability to convert mineral resources to mineral reserves; conclusions of economic evaluations; future prices of copper, gold, silver and molybdenum; failure of plant, equipment or processes to operate as anticipated; accidents, labour disputes and other risks of the mining industry; delays in obtaining government approvals, permits or licences or financing or in the completion of development or construction activities; environmental risks; title disputes; limitations on insurance coverage; as well as those factors discussed in the Company's*

*continuous disclosure documents available at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com). There can be no assurance that forward-looking statements will prove to be accurate, as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. The Company is under no obligation to update or alter any forward-looking statements except as required under applicable securities laws.*