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## **NEWS RELEASE**

## PORTOFINO ANNOUNCES STOCK OPTIONS AND RSU GRANTS

Vancouver, B.C., March 02, 2023. **PORTOFINO RESOURCES INC. (TSX-V: POR) (OTCQB: PFFOF) (FSE: POTA)** ("**Portofino**" or the "**Company**") announces that, in accordance with the Company's Share Option Plan it has granted options to purchase an aggregate of 3,817,000 common shares of the Company to certain directors, officers, employees, and consultants of the Company. Each Option is exercisable into one Common Share at an exercise price of \$0.065. The Options are subject to certain vesting conditions and expire five years from the grant date.

In accordance with the terms of the Company's Equity Incentive Plan, the Company has also granted restricted share units ("RSUs") representing the right to receive up to an aggregate of 2,250,000 Common Shares, subject to the satisfaction of certain vesting conditions, to certain directors, officers, and employees of the Company.

## **About Portofino Resources Inc.**

Portofino is a Vancouver-based Canadian company focused on exploring and developing mineral resource projects in the Americas. Portofino has an opportunity to earn a majority interest in multiple lithium projects in Salta, Argentina and up to 100% of the Yergo Lithium property in Catamarca. The properties are situated in the heart of the world-renown Argentine Lithium Triangle and in close proximity to multiple world-class lithium projects. The Company also has the right to earn 100% interest in three northwestern Ontario, Canada lithium projects: Allison Lake North, Greenheart Lake and McNamara Lake.

Portofino's South of Otter and Bruce Lake projects are in the historic gold mining district of Red Lake, Ontario, Canada proximal to the Dixie gold project discovered by Great Bear Resources and now owned by Kinross Gold Corp. In addition, Portofino holds three other northwestern Ontario gold projects; the Gold Creek property located immediately south of the historic Shebandowan mine, as well as the Sapawe West and Melema West properties located in the rapidly developing Atikokan gold mining camp.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

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