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Dear Sirs:

Re: Support for Greenstone Gold Hardrock Project

The Thunder Bay Community Economic Development Commission is fully supportive of the Hardrock Gold Mining Project, led by Greenstone Gold Mines. The Hardrock Mine will be an economic driver contributing to the GDP and leveraging mining taxes, royalties and income taxes back to Ontario and Canada, as well as contributing positively to the quality of life in the region.

As you know, the Hardrock Deposit has an estimated 4.9 million ounces of contained gold, for a 15 year mine life, but underground resources suggest that this deposit exceeds 9 million ounces, contributing to a 30 year resource.

First Nation, Metis, municipal and regional employment opportunities will be significant, with a planned workforce of 450 staff for mine and mill. In addition, the construction and operational phases of the Hardrock Deposit development will stimulate the mine service and supply industries of the Northwest.



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It is our understanding that Greenstone Gold has engaged a broad number of interested parties in the project throughout the EIS/Environmental Assessment process, and specifically indigenous and municipal stakeholders, including Thunder Bay. Such relationships and partnerships are critical to successful project development, including such specifics as mine closure and rehabilitation. The rigour of the fully audited Hardrock Project Feasibility Study of 2016 speaks to a professional and thorough development game plan, set forward by Greenstone Gold.

Sincerely,

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