



Avidian Gold Announces the Appointment of a New Director

TORONTO, Ontario, March 12, 2026 - Avidian Gold Corp. ("Avidian" or the "Corporation") (TSX.V: AVG) is pleased to announce the appointment of Jean-François Meilleur to Avidian's Board of Directors, effective immediately.

Mr. Meilleur graduated from HEC Montréal in 2003 with a bachelor's degree in finance. He is a Managing Director at P.E. Partners Limited, a small-cap Capital Market boutique. In that role, he has worked with dozens of entrepreneurs and junior explorers, including taking on executive and/or directorship roles. He is currently Chair of the Board of High Tide Resources Corp., CEO and Director of Xcite Resources, VP of Capital Markets of Soma Gold.

Dino Titaro, Chairman of Avidian, stated: "We are thrilled with the appointment of Jean-François Meilleur, who brings a breadth of experience in the mining sector and additional capital markets expertise to Avidian's board. We look forward to working with him as we advance the Jungo Au-Cu project in Nevada and creating further value through possible transformative opportunities."

About Avidian Gold Corp.

Avidian brings a disciplined and veteran team of project managers with a focus on advanced-stage gold exploration. The Corporation currently holds a 100% interest in the Jungo Au-Cu property in Nevada and is evaluating other opportunities.

Avidian is a shareholder in High Tide Resources (CSE: HTRC), which is focused on and committed to the development of mineral projects critical to infrastructure development using industry best practices combined with a strong social license from local communities. Avidian Gold controls approximately 19.88% of High Tide's outstanding shares. High Tide owns a 100% interest in the Labrador West Iron Project which hosts an inferred iron resource of 654.9 Mt @ 28.84% Fe and is located adjacent to the Iron Ore Company of Canada's ("IOCC") Carol Lake Mine in Labrador City, NL operated by Rio Tinto PLC. This resource is exposed at surface and was pit constrained for an open-pit mining scenario. The Technical Report for this resource, from which the foregoing information was drawn, is entitled "National Instrument 43-101 Technical Report Mineral Resource Estimate Labrador West Iron Project, Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada", was filed on SEDAR+ on April 6, 2023 and was authored by Ryan Kressall M.Sc., P. Geo, Matthew Herrington, M.Sc., P. Geo, Catharine Pelletier, P. Eng. and Jeffrey Cassoff P. Eng. The Company also owns a 100% interest in the Lac Pegma copper-nickel-cobalt deposit located 50 kilometres southeast of Fermont, Quebec.

Further details on the Corporation and the Jungo Property can be found on the Corporation's website at www.avidiangold.com.

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