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# HyperBlock Streamlines Operations, Announces Update to Executive Management Team and Custodial Business Launch

TORONTO – October 10, 2018 – (CSE: HYPR) – HyperBlock Inc. – one of North America's largest publicly traded diversified crypto asset enterprises – is streamlining its operations and is excited to be moving ahead with its planned crypto custody product launch.

The company has successfully exited four Canadian locations – executing on its consolidation plans in Eastern Canada and at its US cryptocurrency datacenter in the Pacific Northwest.

HyperBlock CEO Sean Walsh says the moves are a proactive step to help the company weather difficult market conditions and will over time, result in lower, more efficient power costs. "Hashrate sales have been soft in recent months due to relentless increases in mining difficulty — without corresponding increases in Bitcoin price," he says.

#### **Building Long-Term Value: Proprietary Crypto Custodial Solution Nearing Launch**

"A key pillar in our diversified vision to build long-term value for HyperBlock shareholders, is the development of a proprietary crypto vault solution for banks and institutional investors, which HyperBlock expects to launch later this year," explains Walsh, who calls the custodial product "an exciting, potential game changer" for the company and the industry.

#### **Brent Arsenault Appointed as Interim CFO**

HyperBlock is also pleased to announce that it has appointed finance expert Brent Arsenault as the company's new Interim Chief Financial Officer.

"Brent will be instrumental in ensuring HyperBlock continues operating in a sustainable, disciplined manner that will provide the greatest long-term value for our shareholders," says Walsh. "His depth of experience in the public markets — business ethics and philosophy of prudence and transparency —make him an excellent addition to our team," explains Walsh.

Before joining HyperBlock, Arsenault was Director of Finance at Brio Gold Inc., where he was an integral contributor to the successful completion of the company's initial public offering, having led all financial statement filings, financial planning, analysis and internal audit requirements. Prior to that, Arsenault spent several years as a senior financial leader and Investor Relations specialist at Yamana Gold — and served as a senior auditor with global leader Deloitte from 2007 to 2012. Arsenault holds a CPA, CA designation and an accounting undergraduate degree from Brock University.

### HyperBlock Streamlines Operations (cont'd)

#### "Building a Strong Financial Foundation in an Exciting New Industry"

"I've long been fascinated by cryptocurrency's enormous potential, and my experience in gold is transferrable to this fast-moving sector," says Arsenault. "I'm excited to help HyperBlock build to the next level of success by bringing discipline, open communication and good governance to my new role," he adds.

#### **Leadership Updates**

As part of the post-acquisition restructuring, CryptoGlobal (which was acquired by HyperBlock in July 2018) co-founders Rob Segal and James Millership confirmed they will transition out of day-to-day operations, which will be led by HyperBlock CEO Sean Walsh and current management. The HyperBlock Board of Directors is also pleased to announce that it has officially confirmed Eric So as its Chair.

#### About HyperBlock Inc.

HyperBlock is one of North America's largest publicly traded diversified crypto-asset enterprises. The company operates one of North America's largest and most efficient cryptocurrency datacenters and provides five complimentary product offerings focused on helping people and businesses create, safeguard, manage and grow crypto-assets. HyperBlock profit centers include Mining-as-a-Service (MAAS), self-mining, server hosting, server hardware sales and a proprietary custodial vault product. Learn more at <a href="https://www.hyperblock.co">www.hyperblock.co</a>

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