

BellRock Brands Announces Appointment of Receiver

AURORA, CO, USA, March 28, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- BellRock Brands Inc. ("BellRock" or the "Company") (CSE: BRCK.U), an industry-leading cannabis multi-state house of brands, announced today that its senior secured creditors have requested that West 4th Holdings ("West 4th") be appointed Receiver Manager and the District Court has approved the appointment.

Concurrent with this appointment, Zachary L. Venegas has announced his resignation as the Company's Chief Restructuring Officer and Scott Ogur has announced his resignation as the Company's Interim Chief Financial Officer. Further, Sat Joshi has announced his resignation from BellRock' board of directors.

In its role as Receiver-Manager of BellRock, West 4th will oversee the operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, communicate with creditors of the Company, and work to maintain the value of the assets of the Company.

Effective immediately, Zachary L. Venegas and Scott Ogur, the principals of West 4th, and Sat Joshi have resigned as the Company's Chief Restructuring Officer, Interim Chief Financial Officer, and Director, respectively. During their tenure, Messrs. Venegas and Ogur worked with management to execute a strategic, governance, financial and operational turnaround of the Company. In the first half of 2023, the Company became EBITDA positive, as compared with negative EBITDA in 2021 of \$4.1 million, despite the industry headwinds in key markets and no additional investment or growth capital of any kind. "BellRock and its key stakeholders are incredibly grateful to Zac and Scott for the results we achieved" said BellRock CEO Brian Jansen. "West 4th brought a fresh perspective to BellRock and drove the difficult changes required to achieve the financial improvement we've experienced while providing the management team the tools and backing required to streamline our operations," added Sat Joshi, the Company's Chief Strategy Officer.

ABOUT BELLROCK BRANDS:

BellRock Brands is a multi-state cannabis house of brands possessing one of the industry's broadest product portfolios. BellRock offers more than 100 products via Dixie Brands™ and Mary's Medicinals®. Dixie Brands™ is a leading edibles and beverage company. Mary's Medicinals® is the leader in the cannabis health and wellness category. BellRock's products are currently offered in 12 US states and Canada. BellRock is also home to Mary's Nutritionals™ and

Mary's Tails™. For more information, please visit <u>www.bellrockbrands.com</u>.

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