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Prospector Metals Places 7th on 2026 TSX Venture 50® Ranking of Top Performing Companies

Vancouver, BC February 19, 2026. Prospector Metals Corp. (“**Prospector**” or the “**Company**”) (TSXV: **PPP**; OTCQB: **PMCOF**; Frankfurt: **1ET0**) today announced that it has been recognized by the TSX Venture Exchange (“TSXV”) as a 2026 Top 50 Company. The **TSX Venture 50® Ranking** is an annual ranking of the top performing companies from the past year on the TSXV based on three equally weighted criteria: market capitalization growth, share price appreciation and trading value. The **TSX Venture 50® Ranking** showcases the top 50 of the over 1,600 TSXV issuers. In 2025, Prospector Metals Corp.’s share price appreciated 1,130% and market capitalization grew 3,122%, which positioned the Company as seventh overall on the 2026 TSX Venture 50 list.

Dr. Robert Carpenter, CEO and Co-Chairman stated: “Thanks to the TSX Venture for this great recognition, this is a reflection of our team’s dedication to excellence in the corporate arena as well as the technical aspects of our business. Our success in the market is a direct reflection of our team’s dedication to the Prospector business model of discovering high quality gold deposits.”

About Prospector Metals Corp.

Prospector Metals Corp. is a proud member of Discovery Group. The Company is focused on district scale, early-stage exploration of gold and base metal prospects. Prospector currently has over \$42 million in cash and cash equivalents. Creating shareholder value through new discoveries, the Company identifies underexplored or overlooked mineral districts displaying important structural and mineralogical occurrences similar to more established mining operations. The majority of acquisition activity occurs in Yukon and Ontario, Canada – Historical mining jurisdictions with an abundance of overlooked geological regions possessing high mineral potential. Prospector establishes and maintains relationships with local and Indigenous rightsholders and seeks to develop partnerships and agreements that are mutually beneficial to all interested parties.

On behalf of the Board of Directors,
Prospector Metals Corp.

Dr. Rob Carpenter, Ph.D., P.Geo.
President & CEO

For further information about Prospector Metals Corp. or this news release, please visit our website at prospectormetalscorp.com or contact Prospector at 1-778-819-5520 or by email at info@prospectormetalscorp.com.

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This press release contains certain “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Canadian securities legislation, including, but not limited to, the Company’s plans with respect to the Company’s projects, including the ML Project, and the timing related thereto of the drill program, the merits of the Company’s projects, the Company’s objectives, plans and strategies, and other project opportunities. Although the Company believes that such statements are reasonable, it can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct. Forward-looking statements are statements that are not historical facts; they are generally, but not always, identified by the words “expects,” “plans,” “anticipates,” “believes,” “intends,” “estimates,” “projects,” “aims,” “potential,” “goal,” “objective,” “strategy,” “prospective,” and similar expressions, or that events or conditions “will,” “would,” “may,” “can,” “could” or “should” occur, or are those statements, which, by their nature, refer to future events. The Company cautions that Forward-looking statements are based on the beliefs, estimates and opinions of the Company’s management on the date the statements are made and they involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Consequently, there can be no assurances that such statements will prove to be accurate and actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Except to the extent required by applicable securities laws and the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange, the Company undertakes no obligation to update these forward-looking statements if management’s beliefs, estimates or opinions, or other factors, should change. Factors that could cause future results to differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements include the risk of accidents and other risks associated with mineral exploration operations, the risk that the Company will encounter unanticipated geological factors, or the possibility that the Company may not be able to secure permitting and other agency or governmental clearances, necessary to carry out the Company’s exploration plans, risk of political uncertainties and regulatory or legal changes in the jurisdictions where the Company carries on its business that might interfere with the Company’s business and prospects. The reader is urged to refer to the Company’s reports, publicly available through the Canadian Securities Administrators’ System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval (SEDAR+) at www.sedarplus.ca for a more complete discussion of such risk factors and their potential effects.

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