

## VIVA GOLD FILES SPECIAL MEETING MATERIALS IN CONNECTION WITH PROPOSED ARRANGEMENT WITH GOLDEN PREDATOR MINING CORP.

Vancouver, BC – April 1, 2021 – Viva Gold Corp. (TSX-Venture: VAU; OTCQB: VAUCF) ("Viva" or the "Company") announced today that it has filed and commenced mailing of materials to the shareholders of Viva (the "Shareholders"), including the management information circular of the Company dated March 25, 2021 (the "Circular"), for the special meeting of Viva Shareholders (the "Meeting") to be held on May 3, 2021 in connection with the proposed acquisition by Golden Predator Mining Corp. ("GPY") (TSX-Venture GPY; OTCQX-NTGSF), of all of the issued and outstanding common shares of the Company ("Viva Shares") by way of a plan of arrangement ("Arrangement").

Materials for the Meeting, including the Circular, are available on SEDAR at <a href="www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a> and are available on the Company's website at <a href="https://vivagoldcorp.com/special-meeting">https://vivagoldcorp.com/special-meeting</a>.

## **Benefits of the Arrangement**

- Attractive Premium: A 35% to Shareholders over the 20-day VWAP, and 35% to the 30-day VWAP of the Viva Shares as at March 1, 2021.
- Future Growth: The Arrangement provides Shareholders the opportunity to continue to participate in the
  future growth of Viva's Tonopah Gold Project, as well as in a larger entity with stronger growth potential
  from a more diversified asset base supported by the financial resources available to GPY to develop such
  asset base.
- Fairness Opinion: The Viva Board received an Evans & Evans Opinion to the effect that, as of March 1, 2021, the consideration to be received by Shareholders pursuant to the Arrangement is fair, from a financial point of view, to Shareholders.
- Increased Liquidity: The Arrangement is anticipated to provide Shareholders with increased liquidity by the receipt of GPY Shares for their existing Viva Shares, due to GPY's larger market capitalization and access to capital.
- **Significantly strengthened management and leadership team:** An enhanced GPY management team with balanced and complimentary skillsets with proven mine building capacity and in-house technical expertise to advance projects.
- Cost Synergies and Enhanced balance sheet: Reduced overhead combined with a good cash position and marketable securities.

## THE CONSIDERATION

1.60 Class A Common Shares of GPY for each Viva Share held (the "Consideration"). The Consideration represents a 35% premium to the 30-day volume weighted average price of the Viva Shares as of March 1, 2021.

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### **BOARD RECOMMENDATION**

After a recommendation from a Special Committee to the Board, the board of directors of Viva (the "Board") voted in favor of this Arrangement. As a result, <u>the Board recommends that Viva Shareholders vote in favor of the Arrangement.</u>

#### THE NEW COMBINED TEAM

On closing of the Arrangement, subject to TSX Venture Exchange approval, the directors of GPY will consist of: William Sheriff (Executive Chair); James Hesketh (Chief Executive Officer); two nominees selected by Viva and three nominees selected by GPY. Management of GPY will consist of James Hesketh, President and Chief Executive Officer, Steven Krause, Chief Financial Officer, and Michael Maslowski, Chief Operating Officer.

# The Board recommends that Shareholders vote FOR the Arrangement

**Your vote is important regardless of the number of Viva Shares you own.** As a Shareholder, it is very important that you read the Circular and related materials with respect to the Meeting carefully and then vote your Viva Shares.

### **VIVA MEETING**

The Meeting will be held on May 3, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. (Vancouver Time), at #302 – 8047 199 Street, Langley BC V2Y-0E2, Canada.

At the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to consider and, if thought advisable, to pass a special resolution approving the Arrangement. The Circular contains a detailed description of the Arrangement, as well as certain additional information relating to Viva.

### YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT - PLEASE VOTE TODAY

### SHAREHOLDER QUESTIONS AND ASSISTANCE

If you have any questions or require assistance voting your Viva Shares, please contact our proxy solicitation agent, Laurel Hill Advisory Group, at 1-877-452-7184 toll-free in North America, or outside North America at +1 416 304-0211, or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:assistance@laurelhill.com">assistance@laurelhill.com</a>.

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