

VIKING BOARD CHANGES

Viking Mines Ltd (ASX: VKA) ("**Viking**" or "**the Company**") announces the appointment of Dr Julian Stephens to its Board of Directors, as Non-Executive Director, effective 11 March 2025.

Viking further wishes to advise that Mr Michael Cox will step down as a Non-Executive Director, effective 31 March 2025.

Viking Chair, **Charles Thomas said,**

"Michael has been an invaluable asset to the Board, and on behalf of Viking, I would like to express our deepest gratitude for his significant contributions. His leadership as previous Chairman and dedication in resolving the Ghana litigation have been instrumental in securing the favourable outcome for the Company that we received.

"Furthermore, his relentless efforts in successfully recovering these funds from Ghana have provided us with the financial strength to advance our exploration initiatives in Western Australia, particularly at First Hit and Canegrass. Michael's hard work positions Viking for long-term success, and we are confident that his impact will be felt well into the future.

"We sincerely thank Michael for his commitment to the Company, and we wish him every success in his future endeavours."

"We look forward to Julian's wealth of expertise complementing Viking's strategic objectives and providing invaluable guidance as the Company progresses its exploration initiatives."

Incoming Non-Executive Director, **Julian Stephens said,**

"I am enthusiastic to be joining the Viking Board at a time when the Company is undertaking exciting and aggressive drill programmes at First Hit.

"The results to date look extremely encouraging for this under explored area and I look forward to assisting the Company with advancing this and other projects in the company portfolio."

INCOMING DIRECTOR - DR JULIAN STEPHENS

Dr Stephens is a seasoned professional in the field of mineral resource discovery and strategic exploration, with more than 25 years of extensive industry experience. He has a track record of proven leadership and exploration success, demonstrated in his term as Managing Director at Sovereign Metals Limited (ASX: SVM). He led the team that discovered the world's largest rutile deposit at Kasiya in Malawi and helped secure a strategic investment of approximately \$40M from Rio Tinto.

Dr Stephens conducted his PhD on RIRG Systems (reduced intrusion-related gold) and has substantial experience in Archaean and Paleoproterozoic greenstone-hosted gold exploration, including in the broader Davyhurst-Riverina area. His impressive career is marked by considerable contributions to the discovery and development of multiple mineral deposits worldwide, showcasing his strategic and effective leadership in exploration and project management.

Dr Stephens is a member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and continues to contribute to the industry in his other current role as a Non-Executive Director of Sovereign Metals Limited.



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This announcement has been authorised for release by the Board of Directors.

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