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## **NEWS RELEASE**

### **INDEPENDENCE GOLD ANNOUNCES PRIVATE PLACEMENT FINANCING**

**Vancouver, B.C. (March 17, 2026) – Independence Gold Corp.** (TSX.V: IGO, OTCQB: IEGCF, FRA:625) (the "Company") wishes to announce a non-brokered equity financing (the "Financing") comprised of flow-through common shares (the "FT Shares"). The FT Shares will be offered at \$0.105 for gross proceeds of \$750,000 and 7,142,858 shares issued. Subject to compliance with applicable securities laws and the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange, finders' fees and finders' warrants will be payable to eligible arm's length persons with respect to certain subscriptions.

The proceeds from the FT Shares will be used by the Company to incur eligible Canadian exploration expenditures that will qualify as "flow-through mining expenditures" as such terms are defined by the Income Tax Act (Canada)(the "Qualifying Expenditures") related to the 3Ts Gold and Silver Project located in British Columbia. All Qualifying Expenditures will be renounced in favour of the subscribers of the FT Shares effective December 31, 2026.

Closing of the Offering is subject to receipt of applicable regulatory approvals including the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange. The securities issued will be subject to a four month and a day hold period.

### **ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF INDEPENDENCE GOLD CORP.**

*"Randy Turner"*

Randy Turner, President and CEO

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