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CARDERO CLOSSES PRIVATE PLACEMENT

Vancouver, British Columbia - Cardero Resource Corp. (“Cardero” or the “Company”) (TSXV: CDU, Frankfurt: CR5, OTCBB: CDYCF) reports that they have closed the private placement as announced on October 17, 2018 and November 28, 2018. On November 9, 2018 the Company issued 300,000 units at a price of \$0.10 per Unit for aggregate cash proceeds of \$300,000. Each unit consisted of one common share in the capital of the Company and one common share purchase warrant, with each whole warrant (each, a “Warrant”) entitling the holder to acquire one additional Share at a price of \$0.15 per Share for a period of up to five years, expiring on November 9, 2023, provided that, the expiry of the Warrants can be accelerated if the closing price of the Company’s common shares on the TSX Venture Exchange is at least \$0.30 for a minimum of ten consecutive trading days and a notice of acceleration is provided in accordance with the terms of the Warrant, may accelerate the expiry date of the Warrants to a date 30 days after the date of the notice.

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Grant of Stock Options

The Company also announces that, pursuant to its Stock Option Plan, it has granted incentive stock options to certain directors, officers, employees and consultants allowing them to purchase up to an aggregate of 1,600,000 common shares in the capital stock of the Company. The options are exercisable on or before December 28, 2020 at a price of CAD 0.10.

ABOUT CARDERO RESOURCE CORP.

The common shares of the Company are currently listed on the TSX Venture (symbol CDU) and the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (symbol CR5). For further details on the Company readers are referred to the Company’s web site (www.cardero.com), Canadian regulatory filings on SEDAR at www.sedar.com and United States regulatory filings on EDGAR at www.sec.gov

On Behalf of the Board of Directors of
CARDERO RESOURCE CORP.

“Stuart Ross” (signed)

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