Great Canadian Gaming Announces The Suspension of Racing At Its Racetracks

March 18, 2020 – Great Canadian Gaming Corporation [TSX:GC] (“Great Canadian” or the “Company”) announces today the temporary suspension until further notice of the conduct of racing and training at the Company’s three racetracks that are currently active. This includes Flamboro Downs in Hamilton, Ontario, Hastings Racecourse in Vancouver, B.C., and Fraser Downs in Surrey, B.C.

The suspension of racing and training activity is driven by the heightened concerns in both jurisdictions with the spread, and attempted containment, of the COVID-19 virus, and recent direction from provincial governments and health authorities in both Provinces to significantly limit public gatherings of any kind. The Company recently decided to conduct racing at all three tracks without spectators, but Great Canadian felt this more significant action was necessary to protect the health and well-being of the Company’s team members, the industry participants that race and train at the race tracks, and the support personnel for the industry.

“This was a difficult decision for the Company to make, especially considering a similar decision was made for Great Canadian’s gaming properties across the country just a few days ago. But as the circumstances changed in recent days in both B.C. and Ontario, we felt this was the only decision that addressed the current health concerns that are impacting so many other Canadians currently,” stated Matthew Anfinson, Chief Operating Officer.

The Company will be working with the breed associations that represent the racing participants, as well as regulators, for the orderly shutdown of racing facilities at the three properties.

ABOUT GREAT CANADIAN GAMING CORPORATION

Founded in 1982, Great Canadian Gaming Corporation is an Ontario based company that operates 25 gaming, entertainment and hospitality facilities in Ontario, British Columbia, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia. Fundamental to the Company’s culture is its commitment to social responsibility. “PROUD of our people, our business, our community” is Great Canadian’s brand that unifies the Company’s community, volunteering and social responsibility efforts. Under the PROUD program, Great Canadian annually supports over 1,400 charitable and non-profit organizations across Canada. In each Canadian gaming jurisdiction, a significant portion of gross gaming revenue from gaming facilities is retained by our crown partners on behalf of their provincial government for the purpose of supporting programs like healthcare, education and social services.