

## Gladstone Land Acquires Organic Blueberry Orchards in Oregon & California

MCLEAN, VA / ACCESSWIRE / August 12, 2021 / Gladstone Land Corporation (Nasdaq:LAND) ("Gladstone Land" or the "Company") announced that it has acquired approximately \$42.3 million of farmland, blueberry plantings, and improvements located in Kern County, California, and Yamhill County, Oregon. Both farms are 100% certified USDA organic. In connection with the acquisitions, Gladstone Land entered into triple-net leaseback agreements with the seller on each farm, ranging in length from 10 years to 15 years.

"Both of these organic blueberry farms utilize advanced irrigation methods, high density plantings, and shade structures to minimize inputs and protect the quality of the fruit," said Joseph Van Wingerden, Director at Gladstone Land. "Organic produce sales reportedly increased by 11% in 2020 as the demand for organics continues to grow. The innovative growing methods used by our tenant on these properties represent how the best farmers are continually striving to meet this demand with the highest quality produce while being good stewards of the land and minimizing water use."

"These two acquisitions are ideal properties for our growing portfolio of farms producing healthy produce," said David Gladstone, President and CEO of Gladstone Land. "We are continuing to target the highest quality farms with secure sources of water. But our greatest strength is that the growers we partner with are dedicated to cultivating the best produce and preserving resources. I recommend going to your local grocery store and buying as many fruits, vegetables, and nuts as you can!"

## **About Gladstone Land Corporation:**

Founded in 1997, Gladstone Land is a publicly traded real estate investment trust that acquires and owns farmland and farm-related properties located in major agricultural markets in the U.S. and leases its properties to unrelated third-party farmers. The Company, which reports the aggregate fair value of its farmland holdings on a quarterly basis, currently owns 155 farms, comprised of approximately 106,000 acres in 14 different states and over 20,000 acre-feet of banked water in California, valued at approximately \$1.3 billion. Gladstone Land's farms are predominantly located in regions where its tenants are able to grow fresh produce annual row crops, such as berries and vegetables, which are generally planted and harvested annually. The Company also owns farms growing permanent crops, such as almonds, apples, cherries, figs, lemons, olives, pistachios, and other orchards, as well as blueberry groves and vineyards, which are generally planted every 10 to 20-plus years and harvested annually. The Company may also acquire property related to farming, such as cooling facilities, processing buildings, packaging facilities, and distribution centers. The Company pays monthly distributions to its stockholders and has paid 102 consecutive monthly cash distributions on its common stock since its initial public offering in January 2013. The Company has increased its common distributions 23 times over the prior 26 quarters, and the current per-share distribution on its common stock is \$0.0451 per month,

or \$0.5412 per year. Additional information, including detailed information about ach of the Company's farms, can be found at <a href="https://www.GladstoneLand.com">www.GladstoneLand.com</a>.

Owners or brokers who have farmland for sale in the U.S. should contact:

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Lenders who are interested in providing the Company with long-term financing on farmland should contact Jay Beckhorn at (703) 587-5823 or <a href="mailto:Jay.Beckhorn@GladstoneCompanies.com">Jay.Beckhorn@GladstoneCompanies.com</a>.

For stockholder information on Gladstone Land, call (703) 287-5893. For Investor Relations inquiries related to any of the monthly dividend-paying Gladstone funds, please visit <a href="https://www.GladstoneCompanies.com">www.GladstoneCompanies.com</a>.

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For a definition of net asset value and a reconciliation to the most directly comparable GAAP measure, please see the Company's Form 10-K.

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