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## Riot Blockchain Announces Appointment of New Director

CASTLE ROCK, Colo., Nov. 17, 2020 /PRNewswire/ --**Riot Blockchain, Inc.** (NASDAQ: RIOT) ("**Riot**" or the "**Company**"), one of the few Nasdaq listed public cryptocurrency mining companies in the United States, is pleased to announce that Hubert Marleau has been appointed to the Company's Board of Directors, effective today, to fill the previously announced vacancy.



Mr. Marleau, age 76, is a veteran capital markets professional, corporate director, and Chair of the Marleau Lecture Series on Economic and Monetary Policy at the University of Ottawa. Currently, he serves as Chief Economist at Palos Management, a boutique investment management firm headquartered in Montreal, Canada. In addition to a career in the capital markets that has spanned over five decades, Mr. Marleau has previously served as a Governor of the Montreal and Vancouver stock exchanges, and as a Director of the Listing Committee for the Toronto Stock Exchange and Director of the Investment Dealers Association of Canada (now known as IIROC).

Mr. Marleau's broad areas of expertise include macroeconomic policy & analysis, corporate governance, financial analysis, and investment banking. In addition to his being a current or past board member of approximately fifty publicly traded companies, he has raised funds privately and publicly for hundreds of emerging and mature companies, structured numerous mergers and acquisitions, and acted as the driving force behind numerous transactions. Mr. Marleau graduated from the University of Ottawa with an Honours Bachelor of Social Sciences in Economics.

### About Riot Blockchain

Riot Blockchain (NASDAQ: RIOT) specializes in cryptocurrency mining with a focus on bitcoin. Riot also holds non-controlling investments in blockchain technology companies. Riot is headquartered in Castle Rock, Colorado, and the Company's primary mining facility is located in Massena, New York under a colocation agreement with Coinmint. For more information, visit [www.RiotBlockchain.com](http://www.RiotBlockchain.com).

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