

LM Funding America Achieves Over 648% Revenue Growth to \$13.0 Million for 2023

Mined 423.4 Bitcoins in 2023 Valued at Approximately \$12.3 Million at an Average

Market Revenue Value of Approximately \$29,000 per Bitcoin

Held 153.6 Bitcoin at February 29, 2024, Valued at Approximately \$10.8 Million Based on Recent Bitcoin Price of \$70,000

Reports Working Capital of Approximately \$7.4 Million and LM Funding Stockholders' Equity of

\$36.2 Million (\$14.52 per share) as of December 31, 2023

Conference Call to Be Held Today at 11:00 am ET

TAMPA, Fla., April 01, 2024 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- **LM Funding America, Inc.** (NASDAQ: LMFA) ("LM Funding" or the "Company"), a cryptocurrency mining and technology-based specialty finance company, today provided a business update and reported financial results for the three months and full year ended December 31, 2023.

Operational Highlights

- Approximately 5,900 Bitcoin mining machines in operation at hosting sites as of December 31, 2023
- Mined 423.4 Bitcoin in 2023, which generated approximately \$12.3 million in revenue based on the \$29,000 average price of Bitcoin in 2023
- As of December 31, 2023, held 95.1 Bitcoin valued at approximately \$3.4 million
- As of February 29, 2024, held 153.6 Bitcoin valued at approximately \$10.8 million based on recent Bitcoin price of approximately \$70,000
- Revenue for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2023, increased approximately 262% and 648%, respectively over the same periods last year
- Net loss for the three months ended December 31, 2023, was \$1.6 million as compared to \$19.7 million for the 2022 comparable quarter.
- Achieved positive Core EBITDA (defined below) of \$345 thousand for the three months ended December 31, 2023, compared to a Core EBITDA loss of \$1.7 million for the same period last year. Core EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure, and a reconciliation of Core EBITDA to net loss is set forth below in this press release.

Bruce Rodgers, Chairman and CEO of LM Funding, commented, "We made tremendous progress building our Bitcoin mining operations in 2023, our first full year as a Bitcoin mining company. We are extremely pleased with our results as we mined 423.4 Bitcoins valued at approximately \$12.3 million based on the average price of Bitcoin during the year. This success drove an almost 648% increase in the Company's revenue for the year as

compared to 2022. In 2023, we adopted an 'Infrastructure Light' strategy, aiming to lessen market risks and fluctuations by concentrating our investments on Bitcoin and mining devices that closely track Bitcoin's value. Additionally, we continue to purchase state-of-the-art mining equipment in anticipation of the upcoming Bitcoin halving, expected to occur in late April or early May of this year. Considering current market conditions and the future outlook for Bitcoin, which recently reached a new all-time high of approximately \$73,800, we remain extremely optimistic about the future, as halving events have historically preceded new all-time high Bitcoin prices in the six months post-halving."

Richard Russell, Chief Financial Officer of LM Funding, further noted, "We ended the year with cash plus Bitcoin, valued as of December 31, 2023, of approximately \$5.8 million. Including the Bitcoin that we mined through the end of February 2024, our reported Bitcoin holdings of 153.6 Bitcoin are valued at approximately \$10.8 million based on the recent Bitcoin price of approximately \$70,000. Our working capital stood at \$7.4 million as of December 31, 2023, and the equity of LM Funding shareholders was \$36.2 million, or \$14.52 per share. Given the strength of our balance sheet, we have not had the need to sell any of our Bitcoin holdings through February 2024 to fund our operations and we remain highly encouraged and optimistic regarding the financial outlook for both Bitcoin and the business."

Financial Highlights

- Total revenue for the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2023, was approximately \$4.1 million, an increase of \$2.9 million, or approximately 262%, compared to \$1.1 million for the fourth quarter of 2022. Total revenue for the year ended December 31, 2023, was approximately \$13.0 million, an increase of \$11.3 million, or more than 648%, from \$1.7 million in 2022. These increases were primarily due to digital mining revenue of \$3.9 million and \$12.3 million in the three months and year ended December 31, 2023, compared with \$0.9 million of digital mining revenue for both comparable periods in 2022 as the Company commenced our Bitcoin mining operations in September 2022. The average BTC price for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2023 used for purposes of recognizing as revenue was approximately \$36,500 and \$29,000, respectively.
- Net loss attributable to LM Funding shareholders for the three months ended December 31, 2023, was approximately \$1.6 million, which included a \$0.5 million noncash, unrealized gain on investment and equity securities, and a \$0.8 million impairment on our previously owned Symbiont assets, compared to a net loss of approximately \$19.7 million for the 2022 comparable quarter, which included a \$6.6 million non-cash, unrealized loss on investment and equity securities and a \$1.1 million impairment on our Symbiont assets. Net loss attributable to LM Funding shareholders for the year ended December 31, 2023, was approximately \$15.9 million, which included a \$9.8 million non-cash, unrealized loss on investment and equity securities, and a \$0.8 million impairment on our previously owned Symbiont assets, compared to a net loss of approximately \$29.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2022, which included a \$4.4 million non-cash, unrealized gain on investment and equity securities, and a \$1.1 million impairment on the Symbiont assets.
- Positive Core EBITDA for the three months ended December 31, 2023, totaled approximately \$0.3 million compared to a Core EBITDA loss of \$1.7 million in the prior year's comparable quarter. Core EBITDA loss for the twelve months ended December

31, 2023, totaled approximately \$0.2 million, compared with Core EBITDA loss of \$6.5 million in 2022. The improvements in Core EBITDA for the three and twelve-month periods ended December 31, 2023, were primarily due to the existence of material Bitcoin mining operations in the current year that did not exist in the prior year. Core EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure, and a reconciliation of Core EBITDA to net loss is set forth below in this press release.

- Cash was approximately \$2.4 million, with digital assets of \$3.4 million, and working capital of \$7.4 million as of December 31, 2023, based on 95.1 BTC at a price of approximately \$36,000 as of December 31, 2023. The current BTC market price has fluctuated between \$62,000 and \$73,000 in recent weeks. In 2023, the Company also received approximately \$2.7 million from SeaStar Medical Holdings as a partial repayment of their outstanding note receivable.
- Total LM Funding stockholders' equity was approximately \$36.2 million, or \$14.52 per share, as of December 31, 2023 (with the per-share amount calculated as LMFA stockholders' equity divided by approximately 2,492,964 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2023).

Investor Conference Call

LM Funding will host a conference call today, April 1, 2024, at 11:00 A.M. Eastern Time to discuss the Company's financial results for the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2023, as well as the Company's corporate progress and other developments.

The conference call will be available via telephone by dialing toll-free +1 888-506-0062 for U.S. callers or +1 973-528-0011 for international callers and entering access code 212125. A webcast of the call may be accessed at

<u>https://www.webcaster4.com/Webcast/Page/2917/50187</u> or on the investor relations section of the Company's website, <u>https://www.Imfunding.com/investors/news-events/ir-calendar</u>.

A webcast replay will be available on the investor relations section of the Company's website at <u>https://www.lmfunding.com/investors/news-events/ir-calendar</u> through April 1, 2025. A telephone replay of the call will be available approximately one hour following the call, through April 15, 2024, and can be accessed by dialing 877-481-4010 for U.S. callers or +1 919-882-2331 for international callers and entering access code 50187.

About LM Funding America

LM Funding America, Inc., (Nasdaq: LMFA) together with its subsidiaries, is a cryptocurrency mining business that commenced Bitcoin mining operations in September 2022. The Company also operates a technology-based specialty finance company that provides funding to nonprofit community associations (Associations) primarily located in the state of Florida, as well as in the states of Washington, Colorado, and Illinois, by funding a certain portion of the Associations' rights to delinquent accounts that are selected by the Associations arising from unpaid Association assessments.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may contain forward-looking statements made pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Words such as "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "plan," and "project" and other similar words and expressions are intended to signify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not guaranties of future results and conditions but rather are subject to various risks and uncertainties. Some of these risks and uncertainties are identified in the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and its other filings with the SEC, which are available at <u>www.sec.gov</u>. These risks and uncertainties include, without limitation, uncertainty created by the risks of operating in the cryptocurrency mining business, uncertainty in the cryptocurrency mining business in general, problems with hosting vendors in the mining business, the capacity of our Bitcoin mining machines and our related ability to purchase power at reasonable prices, the ability to finance our cryptocurrency mining operations, our ability to acquire new accounts in our specialty finance business at appropriate prices, the potential need for additional capital in the future, changes in governmental regulations that affect our ability to collect sufficient amounts on defaulted consumer receivables, changes in the credit or capital markets, changes in interest rates, negative press regarding the debt collection industry, and the risk of pandemics such as the COVID-10 pandemic. The occurrence of any of these risks and uncertainties could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

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(tables follow)

	December 31,		[December 31,
		2023		2022
Assets				
Cash	\$	2,401,831	\$	4,238,006
Digital Assets (Note 2)		3,416,256		888,026
Finance receivables		19,221		26,802
Marketable securities (Note 5)		17,860		4,290
Notes receivable from Seastar Medical Holding Corporation				
(Note 5)		-		3,807,749
Receivable from sale of Symbiont assets		200,000		-
Prepaid expenses and other assets		4,067,212		1,233,322
Income tax receivable		31,187		293,466
Current assets		10,153,567		10,491,661
Fixed assets, net (Note 3)		24,519,610		27,272,374
Deposits on mining equipment (Note 4)		20,837		525,219

LM Funding America, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets (Audited)

Hosting services deposits (Note 4)	-	2,200,452
Notes receivable from Seastar Medical Holding Corporation (Note 5)	1,440,498	
Long-term investments - debt security (Note 5)	- 1,440,490	2,402,542
Less: Allowance for losses on debt security (Note 5)	-	(1,052,542)
Long-term investments - debt security, net (Note 5)		1,350,000
	156,992	464,778
Long-term investments - equity securities (Note 5) Investment in Seastar Medical Holding Corporation (Note 5)	1,145,486	10,608,750
Operating lease - right of use assets (Note 7)	1,145,480	265,658
Other assets	86,798	10,726
Long-term assets	27,559,230	42,697,957
Total assets	\$ 37,712,797	
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Liabilities and stockholders' equity		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,064,909	1,570,906
Note payable - short-term (Note 6)	567,586	475,775
Due to related parties (Note 9)	22,845	75,488
Current portion of lease liability (Note 7)	110,384	90,823
Total current liabilities	2,765,724	2,212,992
Lease liability - net of current portion (Note 7)	85,775	179,397
Long-term liabilities	85,775	179,397
Total liabilities	2,851,499	2,392,389
Stockholders' equity (Note 10) Preferred stock, par value \$.001; 150,000,000 shares authorized; no shares issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022	_	-
Common stock, par value \$.001; 350,000,000 shares authorized; 2,492,964 shares issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2023 and 2,232,964 as of December 31,		
2022	2,493	2,233
Additional paid-in capital	95,145,376	92,206,200
Accumulated deficit	(58,961,461)	(43,017,207)
Total LM Funding America stockholders' equity	36,186,408	49,191,226
Non-controlling interest	(1,325,110)	
Total stockholders' equity	34,861,298	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 37,712,797	\$ 53,189,618

		Three Months Ended December 31,			d December 31,			
	2023		2022	2023		2022		
Revenues: Digital mining								
revenues Specialty finance	\$ 3,946,485	\$	903,403	\$ 12,289,131	\$	945,560		
revenue	75,901		175,853	550,445		626,773		
Rental revenue	33,028		41,378	144,514		161,618		
Total revenues	4,055,414		1,120,634	12,984,090		1,733,951		
Operating costs and expenses: Digital mining cost of revenues (exclusive of depreciation and								
amortization shown	0 000 770		004.000	0 400 0 40		4 000 000		
below)	2,668,770		994,266	9,406,940		1,033,226		
Staff costs and	1 101 706		6 526 204	E 0E0 700		0 400 700		
payroll	1,121,796		6,536,291	5,858,736		9,422,723		
Professional fees	634,535		637,465	1,863,038		3,158,446		
Settlement costs with associations	-		-	10,000		160		
Selling, general and								
administrative Real estate management and	168,632		188,749	851,806		635,268		
disposal	19,105		34,012	146,716		110,465		
Depreciation and								
amortization	1,495,614		434,302	4,983,480		478,020		
Collection costs Impairment loss on	12,342		(5,524)	29,875		(12,213)		
mined digital assets Realized gain on sale of mined digital	143,317		78,924	965,967		79,794		
assets	(738,526)		-	(2,070,508)		-		
Other operating costs	295,569		1,229,749	999,959		1,504,047		
Total operating costs and			.,0,140			.,		
expenses	5,821,154	1	0,128,234	23,046,009	2	26,409,936		
Operating loss Realized gain (loss)	(1,765,740)		(9,007,600)			24,675,985)		
on securities	2,632		-	4,420		(349,920)		

Realized gain on convertible debt securities Unrealized gain	-	-	-	287,778
(loss) on marketable securities Impairment loss on	7,134	(19,930)	13,570	(56,830)
prepaid machine deposits Impairment loss on	-	(3,150,000)	(36,691)	(3,150,000)
prepaid hosting deposits Impairment loss on	(184,236)	(1,790,712)	(184,236)	(1,790,712)
Symbiont assets Unrealized gain	-	(1,052,542)	(750,678)	(1,052,542)
(loss) on investment and equity securities Impairment loss on	546,563	(6,610,843)	(9,771,050)	4,423,985
digital assets Realized gain on sale of purchased	-	(63,935)	-	(467,406)
digital assets Loss on disposal of	-	20,254	1,917	20,254
assets	(9,389)	(38,054)	(9,389)	(38,054)
Digital assets other income Other income -		-	-	5,658
coupon sales Gain on adjustment	-	-	639,472	-
of note receivable allowance	-	-	1,052,542	-
Other income - finance revenue	-	-	37,660	-
Dividend income	-	-	-	3,875
Interest income, net Credit loss	38,705 22,344	129,731	249,586	394,678
Loss before	22,344		<u> </u>	
income taxes	(1,341,987)	(21,583,631)	(18,814,796)	(26,445,221)
Income tax expense	(60,571)	(126,388)	(60,571)	(1,438,066)
Net Loss	\$(1,402,558)	\$(21,710,019)	· /	\$(27,883,287)
Less: loss (income)		-	-	
attributable to non- controlling interest	(189,208)	2,016,385	2,931,113	(1,356,914)

Net loss attributable to LM Funding America Inc.	\$(1,	591,766)	\$(19	,693,634) \$	(15,944,254)	\$(29	9,240,201)
Basic loss per common share Diluted loss per common share	\$ \$	(0.67) (0.67)	\$ \$	(8.82) \$ (8.82) \$		\$ \$	(13.10) (13.10)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding Basic Diluted		362,964 362,964		,231,681 ,231,681	2,283,836 2,283,836		2,231,681 2,231,681

LM Funding America, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Audited)

	Years ended	December 31,
	2023	2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net loss	\$(18,875,367)	\$(27,883,287)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization	4,983,480	478,020
Noncash lease expense	98,536	95,098
Stock compensation	1,095,705	1,098,331
Stock option expense	1,843,731	16,571,978
Accrued investment income	(159,692)	(392,412)
Accrued recovery of legal fees	-	(55,364)
Impairment loss on digital assets	965,967	547,200
Impairment loss on mining machine deposits	36,691	3,150,000
Impairment loss on hosting deposits	184,236	1,790,712
Impairment loss on Symbiont assets	750,678	-
Unrealized loss (gain) on marketable securities	(13,570)	56,830
Unrealized loss (gain) on investment and equity securities	9,771,050	(4,423,985)
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	9,389	38,054
Realized loss (gain) on securities	(4,420)	349,920
Realized gain on convertible note receivable	-	(287,778)
Realized gain on sale of digital assets	(2,072,425)	(20,254)
Proceeds from securities	744,036	2,565,893

Convertible debt and interest converted into marketable				
securities		-		844,882
Investments in marketable securities		(739,616)		(844,882)
(Reversal of) allowance loss on debt security		(1,052,542)		1,052,542
Change in operating assets and liabilities:				
Prepaid expenses and other assets		189,407		651,472
Hosting deposits		(36,691)		(3,202,764)
Repayments to related party		(52,643)		(45,732)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		177,478		393,260
Mining of digital assets	((12,289,131)		(945,560)
Proceeds from sale of digital assets		10,874,701		-
Lease liability payments		(95,948)		(98,569)
Income tax receivable		262,279		(293,466)
Deferred taxes and taxes payable		-		(326,178)
Net cash used in operating activities		(3,404,681)		(9,136,039)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Net collections of finance receivables - original product		(6,428)		13,993
		14,009		(12,602)
Net collections of finance receivables - special product		(4,005,004)		(4 5 000)
Capital expenditures		(1,625,284)		(15,382)
Investment in notes receivable - Seastar Medical Holding Corporation		(125,000)		(3,753,090)
Collection of notes receivable		2,651,943		(0,700,000)
Investment in digital assets		(35,157)		(988,343)
Proceeds from sale of purchased digital assets		27,815		518,931
Financing activities for Symbiont asset acquisition		(402,361)		
Symbiont asset sale		1,800,000		_
Deposits for mining equipment			(14,649,614)
Net cash from (used in) investing activities		2,299,537		18,886,107)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		_,,		<u>,,</u>
Loan principal and insurance financing repayments		(624,481)		(299,033)
Issue costs from the issuance of common stock		(106,550)		()
Net cash used in financing activities		(731,031)		(299,033)
		(1,836,175)		28,321,179)
NET DECREASE IN CASH		(, , ,	``	,
CASH - BEGINNING OF PERIOD		4,238,006	-	32,559,185
CASH - END OF PERIOD	\$	2,401,831	\$	4,238,006
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF NON-CASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Insurance financing	\$	716,292	\$	660,120
ROU assets and operating lease obligation recognized	Ψ \$	21,887		300,787
Reclassification of mining equipment deposit to fixed assets,	Ψ	21,007	Ψ	000,101
net	\$	1,177,226	\$ 2	26,961,095
Capital expenditures in accrued liabilities	\$	1,035,374		
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Reclassification of Reverse stock split	\$	10,859	\$	-
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASHFLOW INFORMATION Cash paid for taxes Cash paid for interest	\$ \$	-	÷	2,057,710

NON-GAAP FINANCIAL INFORMATION (unaudited)

Our reported results are presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). We also disclose Earnings before Interest, Tax, Depreciation and Amortization ("EBITDA") and Core Earnings before Interest, Tax, Depreciation and Amortization ("Core EBITDA") which adjusts for unrealized loss on investment and equity securities, unrealized gain on convertible debt securities, impairment loss on mined digital assets, impairment of intangible long-lived assets, impairment of prepaid hosting deposits, impairment of mining machine deposits and gain on adjustment of note receivable allowance and stock compensation expense and option expense, all of which are non-GAAP financial measures. We believe these non-GAAP financial measures are useful to investors because they are widely accepted industry measures used by analysts and investors to compare the operating performance of Bitcoin miners.

The following tables reconcile net loss, which we believe is the most comparable GAAP measure, to EBITDA and Core EBITDA:

	Years Ended	December 31,		nths Ended nber 31,
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Net income (loss)	\$(18,875,367)	\$(27,883,287)	\$(1,402,558)	\$(21,710,019)
Income tax expense	60,571	1,438,066	60,571	126,388
Interest expense	-	4,416	-	4,416
Depreciation and				
amortization	4,983,480	478,020	1,495,614	434,302
Income (loss) before interest,				
taxes & depreciation	\$(13,831,316)	\$(25,962,785)	\$ 153,627	\$(21,144,913)
Unrealized loss (gain) on investment and equity				
securities	9,771,050	(4,423,985)	(546,563)	6,610,843
Realized gain on convertible debt securities	-	(287,778)	-	-
Impairment loss on prepaid mining machine deposits Impairment loss on mined	36,691	3,150,000	-	3,150,000
digital assets	965,967	79,794	143,317	78,924

Impairment loss on digital assets	-	467,406	-	63,935
Impairment loss on Symbiont assets	750,678	1,052,542	-	1,052,542
Gain on adjustment of note receivable allowance	(1,052,542)	-	-	-
Impairment loss on prepaid hosting deposits	184,236	1,790,712	184,236	1,790,712
Stock compensation and option expense	2,939,436	17,670,309	410,584	6,725,592
Core income (loss) before interest, taxes & depreciation	\$ (235,800)	\$ (6,463,785)	\$ 345,201	\$ (1,672,365)



Source: LM Funding America, Inc.