

## **ORGANIC GARAGE REPORTS THIRD QUARTER RESULTS**

**December 31, 2021, Toronto, Canada:** Organic Garage Ltd. ("**Organic Garage**" or the "**Company**") (**TSXV: OG, OTCQX: OGGFF, FRA: 9CW1**), one of Canada's leading independent organic grocers and a developer of plant-based products, is pleased to announce the Company's financial results for the quarter ended October 31, 2021 ("Q3"). The Company has a Fiscal Year End of January 31.

**<u>Q3 Financial Results</u>** (comparison to quarter ended October 31, 2020):

- Gross profit margin increased from 30.4% to 31.3%;
- Cash balance of \$2.1 million from \$1.6 million as at January 31, 2021 and \$0.8 million as at October 31, 2020;
- Sales decreased from \$6.9 million to \$5.9 million as the impact of Covid-19 overstocking subsided. Q3 sales total did not include any material contribution from Future of Cheese due to the timing of the launch of the Company's products at the end of Q3;
- Adjusted net loss<sup>1</sup> decreased from an adjusted net loss of \$-117,801 to \$-288,230;
- Administrative wages and benefits decreased by 10.0% due to improved efficiencies;
- **Subsequent to October 31, 2021** the Company received \$361,350 cash proceeds from the exercise of warrants, resulting in a cash balance of approximately \$2.4 million tailored towards growth on both the store front as well as the newly launched Future of Cheese SKUs.

**Net loss:** The Company had a net loss of \$-814,550 for the quarter ended October 31, 2021, compared to a net loss of \$-117,801 for the quarter ended October 31, 2020. The decrease was primarily related to a decrease in sales, non-cash stock-based compensation and costs incurred during the renovation of one of the Company's locations (which also affected that location's sales), offset by improved gross margins, decreases in administrative wages and benefits, and transportation costs related to the Company's phase-out of warehouse operations.

The Company completed its shift to a decentralized distribution model in April 2021, and successfully

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Adjusted net loss is a non-IFRS financial performance measure. Adjusted net loss is calculated as net loss and other comprehensive loss adjusted for non-cash expenses, non-cash stock-based compensation and one-time non-operating expenses.

entered into an agreement to sub-lease the facility located at 50 Akron Road for the remainder of the lease term. During the three months ended October 31, 2021, the Company's incremental savings were approximately \$187,000, consisting primarily of savings related to wages and benefits, transportation, and rent.

Matt Lurie, CEO of Organic Garage, commented, "We are pleased with our Q3 results and both the financial and strategic positions in which the Company has finished the calendar year. We continue to see strong results in our gross profit from management's concise and methodic purchasing strategies. Having improved our margins while facing increased inflationary pressures, supply management issues, and labour shortages was a significant accomplishment during the quarter.

"Our Hand-Picked Partners roster has garnered great feedback from our customers and our recent addition of non-alcoholic beer, wine and spirits through our partnership with Rival House Limited will no doubt improve the shopping experience at our store locations.

"We did incur certain significant non-cash and non-recurring expenses during the quarter along with additional expenses incurred in renovating one of our older locations to conform with the Company's new locations. We believe these expenses and capital costs will translate into improved operations and an enhanced customer experience.

"Management continues to focus on incremental operating expense reduction while maintaining and improving our product and service offering. Savings associated with the phase-out of our warehouse have continued through the quarter providing management with additional financial flexibility.

"During the quarter and subsequently, our online deliveries have seen strong demand and positive reactions from customers who are now able to complete online orders from a large geographical footprint.

"The Future of Cheese operations continue to ramp up, and we were extremely excited to officially launch our line of butters across selected retailers in Ontario in October along with the successful launch of our plant-based brie and truffle-infused butter in December. The products have been in high demand and have been received very positively by retail customers and our restaurant partners. It has been very gratifying to see our products on the shelves of not only Organic Garage, but other retailers and partners, and we look forward to building on the success achieved to date."

### About Organic Garage Ltd.

Organic Garage (TSXV: OG, OTCQX: OGGFF, FRA: 9CW1) is one of Canada's leading independent organic grocers and is committed to offering its customers a wide selection of healthy and natural products at everyday affordable prices. The Company's stores are in prime retail locations designed to give customers an inclusive, unique and value-focused grocery shopping experience. Founded in 2005 by a fourth-generation grocer, Organic Garage is headquartered in Toronto. The Company is focused on continuing to expand its retail footprint within the Greater Toronto Area. For more information please visit the Organic Garage website at www.organicgarage.com.

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