Westward Gold Announces Change of Auditor

Vancouver, British Columbia, March 22, 2022 – Westward Gold Inc. (CSE: WG, OTCQB: WGLIF, FSE: IM50) ("Westward" or the "Company") announces that it has changed its auditor, from Dale Matheson Carr-Hilton LaBonte LLP ("DMCL" or the "Former Auditor") to Smythe LLP ("Smythe" or the "Successor Auditor"). At the request of the Company, DMCL resigned as auditor and Westward's board of directors appointed Smythe as the Company's auditor, effective March 16, 2022.

There were no reservations in the Former Auditor's audit report for the period commencing at the beginning of the Company's two most recent financial years and ending on March 16, 2022. It is the Company's opinion that there have been no "reportable events" as defined in National Instrument 51-102 *Continuous Disclosure Obligations* ("NI 51-102") between the Company and the Former Auditor. In accordance with NI 51-102, a Change of Auditor Notice (the "Notice") along with letters from both the Former Auditor and Successor Auditor, each letter confirming agreement with the statements contained in the Notice, have been filed under the Company's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com.

About Westward Gold

Westward Gold is a mineral exploration company focused on developing the Toiyabe, Turquoise Canyon, and East Saddle Projects located in the Cortez Hills area of Lander County, Nevada. From time to time, the Company may also evaluate the acquisition of other mineral exploration assets and opportunities.

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Forward-looking statements or information are subject to a variety of known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual events or results to differ from those reflected in the forward-looking statements or information, including, without limitation, the need for additional capital by the Company through financings, and the risk that such funds may not be raised; the speculative nature of exploration and the stages of the Company's properties; the effect of changes in commodity prices; regulatory risks that development of the Company's material properties will not be acceptable for social, environmental or other reasons, availability of equipment (including drills) and personnel to carry out work programs, that each stage of work will be completed within expected time frames, that current geological models and interpretations prove correct, the results of ongoing work programs may lead to a change of exploration priorities, and the efforts and abilities of the senior management team. This list is not exhaustive of the factors that may affect any of the Company's forward-looking statements or information. These and other factors may cause the Company to change its exploration and work programs, not proceed with work programs, or change the timing or order of planned work programs. Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially, there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated, described or intended. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements or information. The Company's forward-

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