HLS Therapeutics Announces Final Redemption of Preferred Shares

Redemption completes last step resulting from the 2018 Plan of Arrangement

TORONTO, Jan. 4, 2021 /CNW/ - HLS Therapeutics Inc. ("HLS" or the "Company") (TSX: HLS), a specialty pharmaceutical company focusing on central nervous system and cardiovascular markets, announces that it intends to redeem the remaining 3,655,036 of the Company's outstanding Class A preferred shares ("Preferred Shares") on January 11, 2021 ("Final Redemption"). The remaining balance in the escrow account created for this purpose will be used to redeem the preferred shares at a price of CDN \$0.70 per share (the "**Redemption Price**"), for a total redemption payment of approximately CDN \$2.6 million (the "Aggregate Redemption Payment").

A notice of Final Redemption will be provided to registered holders of Preferred Shares in accordance with the rights, privileges and conditions attached to the Preferred Shares (the "Share Terms"). HLS expects that the notice will be mailed on or before January 4, 2021. Non-registered shareholders (i.e. shareholders that hold their Preferred Shares through a broker or other intermediary) should contact their broker or other intermediary for information regarding the redemption process for Preferred Shares in which they hold a beneficial interest.

Under the plan of arrangement (the "Arrangement") involving former HLS Therapeutics Inc. and Automodular Corporation ("AMD") completed on March 12, 2018, former shareholders of AMD received common shares of HLS and Preferred Shares in exchange for their common shares of AMD. The purpose of the Preferred Shares was to facilitate the distribution to such shareholders, through one or more redemptions of Preferred Shares, of the net settlement proceeds from AMD's litigation with General Motors Company and General Motors of Canada Limited (the "GM Claim") and certain additional AMD funds (deposited into an escrow account on closing of the Arrangement) to the extent such funds are not used by HLS to satisfy legacy AMD claims.

Previously, on May 9, 2018, HLS announced the redemption of 9,321,491 (71.83%) of the Company's outstanding Preferred Shares on a pro rata basis (the "Partial Redemption"). The Aggregate Redemption Payment announced today represents the net settlement proceeds in respect of the GM Claim less the Partial Redemption and costs related to satisfying legacy AMD claims since the Arrangement. The Aggregate Redemption Payment has been approved for distribution to holders of Preferred Shares by the Board of Directors of HLS in accordance with the Share Terms.

The Company's transfer agent and redemption agent is Computershare Investor Services Inc. Questions regarding the redemption process may be directed to Computershare at 1-800-564-6253 or by e-mail to <u>corporateactions@computershare.com</u>.

ABOUT HLS THERAPEUTICS INC.

Formed in 2015, HLS is a specialty pharmaceutical company focused on the acquisition and commercialization of late-stage development, commercial stage promoted and established branded pharmaceutical products in the North American markets. HLS's focus is on products targeting the central nervous system and cardiovascular therapeutic areas. HLS's management team is composed of seasoned pharmaceutical executives with a strong track record of success in these therapeutic areas and at managing products in each of these lifecycle stages. For more information, please visit: <u>www.hlstherapeutics.com</u>

FORWARD LOOKING INFORMATION

This release includes forward-looking statements regarding HLS and its business. Such statements are based on the current expectations and views of future events of HLS's management. In some cases the forward-looking statements can be identified by words or phrases such as "may", "will", "expect", "plan", "anticipate", "intend", "potential", "estimate", "believe" or the negative of these terms, or other similar expressions intended to identify forward-looking statements, including, among others, statements with respect to HLS's pursuit of additional product and pipeline opportunities in certain therapeutic markets, statements regarding growth opportunities and expectations regarding financial performance. The forward-looking events and circumstances discussed in this release may not occur and could differ materially as a result of known and unknown risk factors and uncertainties affecting HLS, including risks relating to the specialty pharmaceutical industry, risks related to the regulatory approval process, economic factors and many other factors beyond the control of HLS. Forward-looking statements and other factors which may cause HLS's actual results, performance or achievements, or industry results, to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statement or information. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements or information. A discussion of the material

risks and assumptions associated with this release can be found in the Company's Annual Information Form dated March 18, 2020 and Management's Discussion and Analysis dated November 4, 2020, both of which have been filed on SEDAR and can be accessed at <u>www.sedar.com</u>. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements or information. Except as required by applicable securities laws, forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made and HLS undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

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