

NEWS RELEASE

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- **PRIVATE PLACEMENT FINANCING OF \$200,000 CLOSURES**
- **DRILLING TO COMMENCE AT KING BAY GOLD PROJECT**

Toronto - Tuesday, January 11, 2005. Conquest Resources Limited (TSX-V: "CQR") reports that the TSX Venture Exchange has accepted for filing documentation with respect to a Non-Brokered Private Placement announced December 24, 2004, and that the financing has closed. The securities issued pursuant to the placement will have a hold date of May 2, 2005.

The private placement comprised 1,600,000 flow-through common shares at a subscription price of \$0.125 per share. Insiders of the Corporation have subscribed for 480,000 shares of the placement (30%). The gross proceeds of the placement will be used for the exploration of the Company's King Bay Gold Project at Sturgeon Lake, Ontario.

A drilling contract has been awarded and Conquest plans to commence a first phase drill programme at King Bay in the last week of January to evaluate targets under the waters of King Bay for a total of approximately 1,500 metres of drilling in 6-10 shallow holes.

High grade gold values have been recorded in blue-black quartz boulders in three distinct boulder trains with the highest value of **521.1 gm/t gold** (15.2 opt). The average grade of boulders sampled from the Central train is **18.2 gm/t gold** (0.53 opt) while the Eastern train averages **18.9 gm/t gold** (0.55 opt) and the Western train averages **5.14 gm/t gold** (0.15 opt). Significantly anomalous gold values also occur within the surrounding soils with values up to **32.9 gm/t gold** (0.96 opt). Gold mineralization is associated with pyrite and pyrrhotite and occurs in veins associated with quartz feldspar porphyries of the North Arm plutonic suite.

ABOUT CONQUEST

Conquest is exploring several gold projects in Ontario. These include the Alexander gold project at Red Lake, the King Bay gold project at Sturgeon Lake, the Smith Lake gold project at Missanabie, and the Aurora, Sunday Lake and Nash Creek gold projects at Detour Lake. **Cash and short-term investments at September 30, 2004 amounted to approximately \$2.2 million.**

There are currently 60,196,677 shares of Conquest issued and outstanding.

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The TSX Venture Exchange has not reviewed and does not accept responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of this release.

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