

## JMCC Group Chair & CEO Diane Scott Named Stevie Awards' Canadian Female Entrepreneur of the Year

Toronto, September 24, 2021/ JMCC Group is pleased and proud to announce that our Chair & CEO, Diane Scott, has been named a Gold Stevie Award winner as Female Entrepreneur of the Year in Canada.

The Stevie® Awards for Women in Business, which shine a spotlight on female executives, entrepreneurs, employees, and organizations run by women, announced the 2021 winners yesterday.

Diane was recognized for her vision and tenacity in building JMCC into a leading global provider of premium medical cannabis products and services since she founded the company in 2016. Headquartered in Toronto, Canada, today, JMCC Group is a fully integrated medical cannabis company, operating within a self-contained supply chain – from propagation and cultivation of raw material supply, product development, manufacturing and packaging, and through to global logistics and distribution. JMCC serves business customers and patients in Australia, Canada, Europe and the United Kingdom from its operations base near Montego Bay, Jamaica, and its distribution hub in the Channel island of Jersey.

A champion of quality and sustainability in the industry since its beginning, Diane has led JMCC in its implementation of globally recognized standards including Good Manufacturing Practices (an international system for ensuring that pharmaceutical products are consistently produced and controlled according to established quality standards) and Organic certification. With the head-start provided by Jamaica's ideal, natural cultivation environment, Diane has also vowed to make JMCC one of the world's most sustainable cannabis companies by 2025.

"This award is really due to JMCC's talented team, who are as committed as I am to providing patients around the world with safe, high-quality and innovative medical cannabis products," Diane said.

In addition to her JMCC role, Diane is also the co-founder of SX2 Ventures, an international venture capital firm business based in London, which focuses on innovation and value creation in the human care sector, investing in life sciences, longevity, specialized care and emerging market healthcare solutions. Sx2's founders share the belief that business and capital must always benefit humanity: hence, every investment by Sx2 has a strong social "give-back" component without compromising profit.

The Stevie Awards for Women in Business is an international competition produced by the creators of the prestigious International Business Awards® and American Business Awards®. More than 1,500 entries were submitted this year for consideration in several categories, including Executive of the Year, Entrepreneur of the Year, Company of the Year and Start-up of the Year.

Details about the Stevie Awards for Women in Business and the list of Gold, Silver, and Bronze winners in all categories are available at <u>www.StevieAwards.com/Women</u>. This year's Gold, Silver and Bronze Stevie Award winners will be honoured during a virtual awards ceremony on Thursday, January 13, 2022. More than 450 women and their guests from around the world are expected to participate.

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