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PRESS RELEASE

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Alturas Minerals Announces the Passing of Dr. Bruce Nisbet, Director

Toronto, May 10, 2006 – Alturas Minerals Corp. (“Alturas” or the “Company”) (TSXV:ALT) announces, with great regret, the passing of Dr. Bruce W. Nisbet, Director, following his brief recent battle with cancer.

Dr. Nisbet was a highly regarded geoscientist involved in mineral exploration and development internationally for over 30 years. A tremendously respected member of the global mining community, Bruce co-founded Equinox Resources Limited in 1993 with Craig Williams. Dr. Nisbet was instrumental in a number of significant discoveries, including the Ernest Henry Deposit in Queensland, a series of gold deposits in Western Australia including Nimary-Jundee, Dalgara, Goongarrie, Mertondale, and the Munni Munni platinum-palladium deposit. In 1994, Dr. Nisbet was jointly awarded “Prospector of the Year” with Mr. Williams by the Australian Association of Mining and Exploration Companies.

Dr. Nisbet was a key force in the establishment, formation and financing of Alturas as well as its recent merger with Iron Lake Minerals Inc., and listing on the TSXV.

Dr. Miguel Cardozo, President of Alturas, said “Bruce’s passing is a great loss to the Company, and all of us associated with Bruce. We extend our deepest sympathies to his family and the countless friends Bruce had around the globe”

The Company intends to establish an appropriate memorial to the life of Dr. Nisbet, and to recognize his significant contributions.

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