

## **Ross Stores Announces Quarterly Dividend**

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NEWARK, Calif., May 31 /PRNewswire/ -- Ross Stores, Inc. (Nasdaq: ROST) announced today that the company's Board of Directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of \$.0425 per common share, payable on or about July 2, 2001 to stockholders of record as of June 18, 2001.

Ross Stores, Inc. reported sales of \$2.7 billion in 2000, its most recent fiscal year. The off-price retailer operates 419 stores in 18 states, offering firstquality, in season, branded apparel, accessories and footwear for the entire family as well as gift items and linens for the home all at everyday savings of 20% to 60% less than regular department and specialty store prices.

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