



## **Ross Stores Reports February Sales**

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NEWARK, Calif., March 4 /PRNewswire/ -- Ross Stores, Inc. (Nasdaq: ROST) today reported sales of \$146 million for the four week period ended February 27, 1999, a 16% increase above the \$126 million for the four weeks ended February 28, 1998. Comparable store sales for the four week period increased 9% over the prior year.

Ross Stores, Inc. operates a national chain of off-price retail stores offering first quality, in-season, branded apparel and apparel-related merchandise for the entire family at prices that average 20% to 60% less than department and specialty stores, as well as merchandise for the home at similar savings. The company had 349 stores at February 27, 1999, compared to 325 stores at the end of the same period last year.

SOURCE Ross Stores, Inc.