



Ross Stores Reports May Sales

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NEWARK, Calif., June 1 /PRNewswire/ -- Ross Stores, Inc. (Nasdaq: ROST) today reported sales of \$211 million for the four week period ended May 27, 2000, a 10% increase above the \$191 million in sales for the four weeks ended May 29, 1999. Comparable store sales for the same period rose 3% vs. an 8% increase in the prior year.

For the four months through May 27, 2000, sales were \$844 million, a 14% increase above the \$742 million in sales for the prior year's comparable period ended May 29, 1999. Comparable store sales for the four month period increased 6% vs. a 7% increase in the prior year.

Additional recorded information concerning today's press release can be accessed by calling 719-457-0820, passcode #883427, from 8:30 a.m. EDT on June 1, 2000 through 8:00 p.m. EDT on June 2, 2000.

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 385 stores at May 27, 2000, compared to 355 stores at the end of the same period last year. SOURCE Ross Stores, Inc.

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