



Ross Stores Announces Quarterly Dividend

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NEWARK, Calif., Aug 21, 2003 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX/ -- Ross Stores, Inc. (Nasdaq: ROST) announced today that the Company's Board of Directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of \$.0575 per common share, payable on or about October 1, 2003 to stockholders of record as of September 4, 2003.

Ross Stores, Inc. reported sales of \$3.5 billion in 2002, its most recent fiscal year. The off-price retailer currently operates 553 stores in 25 states, offering first-quality, 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. Additional information is available on the Company's web site at www.rossstores.com.

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