



## **Ross Stores Donates \$100,000 to the Japan Earthquake and Pacific Tsunami Relief Efforts**

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Ross Stores, Inc. (Nasdaq: ROST) today announced a \$100,000 cash donation to the American Red Cross to assist with disaster relief efforts for victims of the recent devastating earthquake and tsunami in Japan.

In addition, through March 31, 2011, all Ross Dress for Less(R) stores throughout the country will offer customers and associates the ability to make donations at the point of sale to the American Red Cross' Japan Earthquake and Pacific Tsunami Relief Fund. Online donations to this Relief Fund can also be made via a link located at <http://www.rossstores.com/>.

Michael Balmuth, Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "Ross Stores is committed to helping those in need. We offer our heartfelt sympathies and thoughts of comfort to everyone who has been affected by the devastation caused by the earthquake and tsunami in Japan."

Ross Stores, Inc., an S&P 500, Fortune 500 and Nasdaq 100 (ROST) company headquartered in Pleasanton, California, is the nation's second largest off-price retailer with fiscal 2010 revenues of \$7.9 billion. Additional information is available at <http://www.rossstores.com/>.

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