NORDSTROM

Nordstrom Same-Store Sales for August Increase 7.1 Percent

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SEATTLE, Aug. 31 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Nordstrom, Inc. (NYSE: JWN) today reported preliminary sales of \$517.0 million for the four-week period ending August 26, 2006, an increase of 9.3 percent compared to sales of \$473.0 million for the four-week period ending August 27, 2005. Same-store sales increased 7.1 percent.

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Preliminary year-to-date sales of \$4.57 billion increased 8.0 percent compared to sales of \$4.23 billion in 2005. Year-to-date same-store sales increased 5.8 percent.

Sales Recording

To hear Nordstrom's prerecorded August sales message, please dial 402-220-6036. This recording will be available for one week.

SALES SUMMARY

Total Sales Same-store Sales (unaudited; \$ in millions) Fiscal Fiscal Percent Total Full-line Rack 2006 2005 Increase Retail Stores Stores \$517.0 \$473.0 9.3% 7.1% 4.7% 10.4% Year-to-date \$4,574.7 \$4,233.9 8.0% 5.8% 4.4% 11.1% Number of stores Full-line 99 95 Rack and other 57 57 International Faconnable boutiques 34 32 Total 190 184 Gross square footage 20,217,000 19,579,000

FUTURE REPORTING DATES

Nordstrom's financial release calendar for the next several months is currently planned as follows:

Sept. Sales Release Thurs., Oct. 5, 2006
October Sales Release Thurs., Nov. 2, 2006
Third Quarter Earnings Mon., Nov. 20, 2006
November Sales Release Thurs., Nov. 2, 2006
Thurs., Nov. 30, 2006

Nordstrom, Inc. is one of the nation's leading fashion specialty retailers, with 156 US stores located in 27 states. Founded in 1901 as a shoe store in Seattle, today Nordstrom operates 99 full-line stores, 49 Nordstrom Racks, five Faconnable boutiques in the United States, one free-standing shoe store, and two clearance stores. Nordstrom also operates 34 Faconnable boutiques in Europe. In addition, Nordstrom serves customers through its

online presence at http://www.nordstrom.com and through its catalogs. Nordstrom, Inc. is publicly traded on the NYSE under the symbol JWN.

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