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Citi Trends Announces Fourth Quarter and Fiscal 2012 Results

SAVANNAH, Ga.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Citi Trends, Inc. (NASDAQ: CTRN) today reported results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended February 2, 2013.

The Company's 2012 fiscal year contained 53 weeks compared with the traditional 52 weeks in fiscal 2011. Accordingly, comparisons of total sales for the fourth quarter and full year of fiscal 2012 to the same periods in 2011 are affected by an extra week of sales in 2012. However, for comparable store sales, the Company is reporting on a comparable weeks basis (e.g. the 14 and 53 weeks ended February 2, 2013 compared with the 14 and 53 weeks ended February 4, 2012).

Financial Highlights — 14-week fourth quarter ended February 2, 2013

Total sales in the 14-week quarter ended February 2, 2013 decreased 1.5% to \$175.7 million compared with \$178.4 million in the 13-week quarter ended January 28, 2012. The extra week contributed \$8.8 million to total sales in fiscal 2012. Fourth quarter comparable store sales decreased 11.8%, comparing the 14 weeks ended February 2, 2013 with the 14 weeks ended February 4, 2012.

A net loss of \$0.7 million, or \$0.05 per diluted share, was recognized in the fourth quarter of 2012 compared with a net loss of \$5.3 million, or \$0.36 per diluted share, in last year's fourth quarter.

Financial Highlights — 53-week fiscal year ended February 2, 2013

Total sales in the 53-week fiscal year ended February 2, 2013 increased 2.2% to \$654.7 million compared with \$640.8 million in the 52-week fiscal year ended January 28, 2012. Comparable store sales decreased 5.6%, comparing the 53 weeks ended February 2, 2013 with the 53 weeks ended February 4, 2012.

A net loss of \$2.2 million, or \$0.15 per diluted share, was recognized in fiscal 2012 compared with a net loss of \$10.0 million, or \$0.69 per diluted share, in fiscal 2011.

The Company opened 4 stores, relocated or expanded 4 others, and closed 2 stores in 2012.

Investor Conference Call and Webcast

Citi Trends will host a conference call today at 9:00 a.m. ET. The number to call for the live interactive teleconference is (212) 231-2921. A replay of the conference call will be available until March 22, 2013, by dialing (402) 977-9140 and entering the passcode, 21645977.

The live broadcast of Citi Trends' quarterly conference call will be available online at the Company's website, <u>www.cititrends.com</u>, as well as <u>http://ir.cititrends.com/events.cfm</u>, beginning today at 9:00 a.m. ET. The online replay will follow shortly after the call and continue until March 22, 2013.

During the conference call, the Company may discuss and answer questions concerning business and financial developments and trends that have occurred after year-end. The Company's responses to questions, as well as other matters discussed during the conference call, may contain or constitute information that has not been disclosed previously.

About Citi Trends

Citi Trends, Inc. is a value-priced retailer of urban fashion apparel and accessories for the entire family. The Company operates 513 stores located in 29 states. Citi Trends' website address is <u>www.cititrends.com</u>. *CTRN-E*

Forward-Looking Statements

All statements other than historical facts contained in this news release, including statements regarding our future financial results and position, business policy and plans and objectives of management for future operations, are forward-looking statements that are subject to material risks and uncertainties. The words "believe," "may," "could," "plans," "estimate,"

"continue," "anticipate," "intend," "expect" and similar expressions, as they relate to Citi Trends, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Statements with respect to earnings guidance are forward-looking statements. Investors are cautioned that any such forward-looking statements are subject to the finalization of the Company's year-end financial and accounting procedures, are not guarantees of future performance or results and are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties, some of which cannot be predicted or quantified. Actual results or developments may differ materially from those included in the forward-looking statements as a result of various factors which are discussed in Citi Trends, Inc. filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, uncertainties relating to economic conditions, growth risks, consumer spending patterns, competition within the industry, competition in our markets and the ability to anticipate and respond to fashion trends. Any forward-looking statements by the Company, with respect to earnings guidance or otherwise, are intended to speak only as of the date such statements are made. Except as required by applicable law, including the securities laws of the United States and the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Citi Trends does not undertake to publicly update any forward-looking statements in this news release or with respect to matters described herein, whether as a result of any new information, future events or otherwise.

CITI TRENDS, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (unaudited) (in thousands, except per share data)

		Fourteen Weeks Ended February 2, 2013 (unaudited)		Thirteen Weeks Ended January 28, 2012 (unaudited)	
Cost of sales		118,165		124,532	
Gross profit		57,491		53,824	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		52,678		52,206	
Depreciation and amortization		5,797		6,569	
Asset impairment		517		4,209	
Loss from operations		(1,501)		(9,160)	
Interest income		66		63	
Interest expense		(49)		(52)	
Loss before income taxes		(1,484)		(9,149)	
Income tax benefit		(780)		(3,834)	
Net loss	\$	(704)	\$	(5,315)	
Basic net loss per common share	\$	(0.05)	\$	(0.36)	
Diluted net loss per common share	\$	(0.05)	\$	(0.36)	
Weighted average shares used to compute basic net loss per share		14,699		14,606	
Weighted average shares used to compute diluted net loss per share		14,699		14,606	

	Fifty-Three Weeks Ended February 2, 2013		Fifty-Two Weeks Ended January 28, 2012		
	(u	(unaudited)		(unaudited)	
Net sales	\$	654,653	\$	640,824	
Cost of sales		426,904		420,321	
Gross profit		227,749		220,503	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		207,411		207,025	
Depreciation and amortization		23,950		24,958	
Asset impairment		1,177		6,514	
Loss from operations		(4,789)		(17,994)	
Interest income		260		243	
Interest expense		(212)		(79)	
Loss before income taxes		(4,741)		(17,830)	
Income tax benefit		(2,516)		(7,816)	
Net loss	\$	(2,225)	\$	(10,014)	

Basic net loss per common share	\$ (0.15)	\$ (0.69)
Diluted net loss per common share	\$ (0.15)	\$
Weighted average shares used to compute basic net loss per share Weighted average shares used to compute diluted net loss per share	 14,672 14,672	 14,589 14,589

CITI TRENDS, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (unaudited) (in thousands)

	February 2, 2013		January 28, 2012	
	(unaudited)		(unaudited)	
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	37,263	\$	41,986
Short-term investment securities		12,771		902
Inventory		141,473		131,526
Other current assets		19,285		28,961
Property and equipment, net		70,995		90,541
Long-term investment securities		5,754		18,840
Other noncurrent assets		4,604		2,021
Total assets	\$	292,145	\$	314,777
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity:				
Accounts payable	\$	62,690	\$	78,941
Accrued liabilities	·	22,564	•	26,074
Other current liabilities		660		603
Noncurrent liabilities		10,260		12,756
Total liabilities		96,174		118,374
Total stockholders' equity		195,971		196,403
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	292,145	\$	314,777

Citi Trends, Inc. Bruce Smith, 912-443-2075 Chief Financial Officer or Ed Anderson, 912-443-3705 Chairman & Chief Executive Officer

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