



Citi Trends, Inc. Announces George Bellino to Retire in 2008

SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec 12, 2007 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Citi Trends, Inc. (Nasdaq: CTRN) today announced that George A. Bellino, the Company's President and Chief Merchandising Officer, has informed the Company of his decision to retire in the spring/summer of 2008. The Company will commence a search for a new Chief Merchandising Officer immediately. Mr. Bellino will stay on with the Company in his present roles to effect the transition.

Mr. Bellino has served as President and Chief Merchandising Officer since December 2001 and previously as a director from April 1999 to May 2005. Mr. Bellino was also the Company's Chief Executive Officer and President from April 1999 to December 2001. From January 1997 to March 1999, Mr. Bellino served as President of the Company's predecessor, Allied Department Stores.

Ed Anderson, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Citi Trends, commented, "George has been an integral part of our leadership team and a primary contributor to our success. He will be missed as a friend and colleague when he retires next year, but one of George's greatest accomplishments has been his creation of an experienced merchandising team. As a result, we have some of the most talented merchants in the industry. During the next several months, George will continue to work closely with this team to complete the transition."

Mr. Bellino added, "It has been my distinct pleasure to help lead Citi Trends during a time of rapid growth and success. Our deep merchandising team is well-positioned to continue executing our vision and strategy for Citi Trends and offering the best selection to our customers. While I look forward to the next chapter in my life, I will remain fully engaged during the important holiday and spring selling seasons to ensure the transition goes smoothly."

About Citi Trends

Citi Trends, Inc. is a value-priced retailer of urban fashion apparel and accessories for the entire family. The Company currently operates 319 stores located in 20 states in the Southeast, Mid-Atlantic and Midwest regions and the state of Texas. Citi Trends' website address is <http://www.cititrends.com>. CTRN-E

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