David Beré To Retire from Dollar General

GOODLETTSVILLE, Tenn., Jan 12, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Dollar General (NYSE:DG) announced today that David Beré, its president and chief strategy officer, has decided to retire at the end of the Company's current fiscal year, January 29, 2010.

Beré's retirement comes after eight years of service to the Company. He took the helm of the Company as president in the fall of 2006 and as interim CEO in July 2007. Before that, he served on the Company's board of directors, a position he held since early 2002.

"Dave helped lead the Company through times of tremendous change and growth. He has been an invaluable friend and partner to me since I joined the Company. We all wish Dave and his family the best in his retirement," said Rick Dreiling, chairman and CEO.

During his successful career, Beré led a number of companies including Bakery Chef Inc., where he was the president, CEO and a board member, and McCain Foods USA, where he was the president and CEO. He started his career at The Quaker Oats Company, where he climbed the ranks for 17 years and became the president of the breakfast division and the Golden Grain Division. Beré will continue to serve on the board of directors of the Dollar General Literacy Foundation.

The Company does not intend to replace Beré at this time. Dreiling will assume the duties of president.

About Dollar General Corporation

Goodlettsville, Tenn.-based Dollar General Corporation (NYSE: DG) has been delivering value to shoppers for more than 70 years. Dollar General helps shoppers Save time. Save money. Every day!(R) by offering products that are frequently used and replenished, such as food, snacks, health and beauty aids, cleaning supplies, basic apparel, house wares and seasonal items at low everyday prices in convenient neighborhood locations. With more than 8,700 stores in 35 states, Dollar General has more retail locations than any retailer in America. In addition to high quality private brands, Dollar General sells products from America's most-trusted manufacturers such as Procter & Gamble, Kimberly-Clark, Unilever, Kellogg's, General Mills, Nabisco, Hanes, PepsiCo and Coca-Cola. Learn more about Dollar General at www.dollargeneral.com.

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