

# KIRKLAND'S®

## News Release

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### **KIRKLAND'S REPORTS HOLIDAY SALES**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (January 7, 2010) — Kirkland's, Inc. (NASDAQ: KIRK) today reported sales for the 9-week period ended January 2, 2010.

Net sales for the 9-week period ended January 2, 2010, increased 5.5% to \$111.7 million compared with \$105.9 million for the 9-week period ended January 3, 2009. Comparable store sales for the 9-week period increased 9.7% compared with an increase of 6.2% in the same period last year.

The Company expects to report sales for the fiscal fourth quarter on February 4, 2010, and earnings for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended January 30, 2010, on March 12, 2010.

Kirkland's also announced it will be making a presentation to the investment community at the Cowen and Company 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Consumer Conference in New York City on January 12, 2010, at 1:00 p.m. ET. The live simulcast of Kirkland's presentation will be available online at the Company's web site, [www.kirklands.com](http://www.kirklands.com), and will be available for 30 days.

Kirkland's, Inc. was founded in 1966 and is a specialty retailer of home décor in the United States. Although originally focused in the Southeast, the Company has grown beyond that region and currently operates 299 stores in 32 states. The Company's stores present a broad selection of distinctive merchandise, including framed art, mirrors, candles, lamps, picture frames, accent rugs, garden accessories and artificial floral products. The Company's stores also offer an extensive assortment of gifts, as well as seasonal merchandise. More information can be found at [www.kirklands.com](http://www.kirklands.com).

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