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AmeriSource Health Shareholders Approve Two-for-One Stock Split

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MALVERN, Pa.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--March 3, 1999--AmeriSource Health Corp. (NYSE:AAS), one of the nation's leading pharmaceutical distributors, held its annual shareholders meeting today at which a two-for-one stock split of the Company's Class A common stock was approved.

The record date for the stock split is March 3, 1999 and certificates for those additional shares will be distributed on March 24, 1999.

During the annual meeting, shareholders re-elected its slate of eight directors for an additional one-year term to expire at the next annual meeting. Shareholders also approved an amendment to the Company's Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of Class A common stock to 100 million from 50 million.

The additional authorized shares of Class A common stock will be available for financing acquisition transactions, stock incentive plans and other general corporate purposes.

AmeriSource shareholders also voted to approve the 1999 Stock Option Plan and the 1999 Non-Employee Directors Stock Option Plan. The Company believes that these plans will encourage participants to contribute materially to the growth of AmeriSource.

AmeriSource Health Corp. is a Fortune 500 company with revenue of \$8.7 billion in fiscal year 1998. The Company is among the largest wholesale pharmaceutical distributors in the country and serves customers nationwide from a network of 23 strategically located distribution centers. News and additional information about AmeriSource is available at www.amerisource.com.

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