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## NHTC Set to Join Russell Indexes

DALLAS, June 15, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- [Natural Health Trends Corp.](#) (Nasdaq:NHTC), a leading direct selling company that markets premium quality personal care, wellness and "quality of life" products under the [NHT Global brand](#), today announced it is set to join the Russell Global Index, the Russell 3000<sup>®</sup> Index and the Russell Microcap<sup>®</sup> Index when Russell Investments reconstitutes its comprehensive set of U.S. and global equity indexes after the close of market on Friday, June 26, 2015, according to a preliminary list of additions posted June 12, 2015 on [Russell Indexes Reconstitution](#).

Membership in the Russell Global Index, which remains in place for one year, means automatic inclusion in the appropriate large-cap, small-cap, all-cap indexes as well as the applicable style, sector and country indexes. Membership in the Russell Microcap<sup>®</sup> Index, which also remains in place for one year, means automatic inclusion in the appropriate growth and value style indexes. FTSE Russell determines membership for its Russell equity indexes primarily by objective, market-capitalization rankings and style attributes.

Annual Russell indexes reconstitution captures the 4,000 largest U.S. stocks as of the end of May, ranking them by total market capitalization. Membership in the Russell 3000<sup>®</sup>, which remains in place for one year, means automatic inclusion in the large-cap Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Index or small-cap Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index as well as the appropriate growth and value style indexes.

Chris Sharng, Natural Health Trend Corp.'s President commented, "Inclusion in the Russell indexes is a significant milestone for us following our significant revenue and profit growth in the last few years. As we continue to execute on our growth strategy, we believe our membership will help facilitate efforts to raise our profile in the financial community, broaden our shareholder base and improve liquidity."

Russell indexes are widely used by investment managers and institutional investors for index funds and as benchmarks for active investment strategies. Approximately \$5.7 trillion in assets are benchmarked to the Russell's U.S. indexes. Russell indexes are part of FTSE Russell, a leading global index provider.

For more information on the Russell 1000 and the Russell reconstitution, go to "[Recon Central](#)" section on the [FTSE Russell website](#).

## About FTSE Russell

FTSE Russell is a global index leader that provides innovative benchmarking, analytics and data solutions for investors worldwide. FTSE Russell calculates thousands of indexes that measure and benchmark markets and asset classes in more than 80 countries, covering 98% of the investable market globally and trading on over 25 exchanges worldwide.

FTSE Russell index expertise and products are used extensively by institutional and retail investors globally. Leading asset owners, asset managers, ETF providers and investment banks use FTSE Russell indexes to benchmark their investment performance and create ETFs, structured products and index-based derivatives.

A core set of universal principles guides FTSE Russell index design and management: a transparent rules-based methodology is informed by independent committees of leading market participants. FTSE Russell is focused on applying the highest industry standards in index design and governance. FTSE Russell is also focused on index innovation and client collaboration as it seeks to enhance the breadth, depth and reach of its offering.

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## About Natural Health Trends Corp.

Natural Health Trends Corp. is an international direct-selling and e-commerce company operating through its subsidiaries throughout Asia, North America, and Europe. The company markets premium quality personal care, wellness and "quality of life" products under the NHT Global brand. Additional information can be found on the company's website, [www.naturalhealthtrendsCorp.com](http://www.naturalhealthtrendsCorp.com).

## Forward Looking Statement

Safe Harbor Statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 -- Forward-looking statements in this release do not constitute guarantees of future performance. Such forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those anticipated. Such risks and uncertainties include the risks and uncertainties detailed under the caption "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 6, 2015, with the Securities and Exchange Commission. We assume no obligation to update any forward-looking information contained in this press release or with respect to the announcements described herein.

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