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Independent Proxy Advisory Firm ISS Recommends XORTX Shareholders Vote FOR ALL Proposed Items at the Upcoming Annual and Special Meeting of Shareholders

CALGARY, Alberta, Sept. 03, 2024 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- XORTX Therapeutics Inc. ("XORTX" or the "Company") (NASDAQ: XRTX | TSXV: XRTX | Frankfurt: ANU), a late-stage clinical pharmaceutical company focused on developing innovative therapies to treat progressive kidney disease, is pleased to announce that leading independent proxy advisory firm Institutional Shareholder Services Inc. ("ISS") has recommended Shareholders vote "FOR" all the proposed resolutions at the upcoming Annual and Special Meeting of Shareholders (the "Meeting") to be held on September 12, 2024.

Leading independent third party proxy advisory firm ISS has recommended that shareholders vote **FOR** all the proposed resolutions.

The Board of Directors of XORTX recommends that Shareholders vote FOR ALL proposed items

Your vote is important no matter how many shares you hold. Please vote today.

The proxy voting deadline is 10:00 am (Calgary time) on Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Meeting Details

XORTX will hold its meeting on September 12, 2024, at 10:00 am (Calgary Time) at the offices of the Company at 3710 – 33rd Street NW, Calgary.

Please visit the Company's website complete details and links to all relevant documents ahead of the Meeting at the link below:

<https://www.xortx.com/investors/news-events/ir-calendar/detail/7671/annual-and-special-meeting-of-shareholders>.

Questions & Voting

If you have questions about the meeting matters or require voting assistance please contact XORTX's proxy solicitation agent, Laurel Hill Advisory Group at:

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About XORTX Therapeutics Inc.

XORTX is a pharmaceutical company with two clinically advanced products in development: 1) our lead, XRx-008 program for ADPKD; and 2) our secondary program in XRx-101 for acute kidney and other acute organ injury associated with Coronavirus / COVID-19 infection. In addition, XRx-225 is a pre-clinical stage program for Type 2 Diabetic Nephropathy. XORTX is working to advance its clinical development stage products that target aberrant purine metabolism and xanthine oxidase to decrease or inhibit production of uric acid. At XORTX, we are dedicated to developing medications to improve the quality of life and future health of patients. Additional information on XORTX is available at www.xortx.com.

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Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the SEC, which is available on the SEC's website, www.sec.gov (including any documents forming a part thereof or incorporated by reference therein), as well as in our reports, public disclosure documents and other filings with the securities commissions and other regulatory bodies in Canada, which are available on www.sedarplus.ca.



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