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J. ALEXANDER'S CORPORATION DECLARES CASH DIVIDEND

Nashville, Tenn., December 14, 2006 – J. Alexander's Corporation (AMEX: JAX) today announced that the Board of Directors has declared a cash dividend of \$0.10 (ten cents) per share for each share of its Common Stock outstanding. The dividend is payable January 12, 2007 to all shareholders of record at the close of business on December 27, 2006.

The amount of the dividend is sufficient to extend until January 15, 2008 the contractual restrictions on Solidus Company, the Company's largest shareholder, under the Amended and Restated Standstill Agreement between the Company and Solidus Company, which was previously announced in August 2005.

This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Actual results, performance or developments could differ materially from those expressed or implied by those forward-looking statements as a result of known or unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors. The Company's ability to pay a dividend will depend on its financial condition and results of operations at any time a dividend is considered or paid. Other risks, uncertainties and factors include the Company's ability to increase sales and operating margins in its restaurants; changes in business or economic conditions, including rising food costs and product shortages; the effect of higher gasoline prices on consumer demand; availability of qualified employees; increased cost of utilities, insurance and other restaurant operating expenses; potential fluctuations of quarterly operating results due to seasonality and other factors; the effect of hurricanes and other weather disturbances which are beyond the control of the Company; the number and timing of new restaurant openings and the Company's ability to operate them profitably; competition within the casual dining industry, which is very intense; competition by the Company's new restaurants with its existing restaurants in the same vicinity; changes in consumer spending, consumer tastes, and consumer attitudes toward nutrition and health; expenses incurred if the Company is the subject of claims or litigation or increased governmental regulation; changes in accounting standards, which may affect the Company's reported results of operations; and expenses the Company may incur in order to

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comply with changing corporate governance and public disclosure requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the American Stock Exchange. These as well as other factors are discussed in detail in the Company's filings made with the Securities and Exchange Commission and other communications.

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