

## **Quanex Elects Joseph J. Ross to Its Board of Directors**

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HOUSTON, May 30 /PRNewswire/ -- Quanex Corporation (NYSE: NX) announced today that Joseph J. Ross has been elected to the company's board of directors. Ross, 55, is chairman and chief executive officer of Federal Signal Corporation, a global manufacturer of leading niche products in four operating groups: environmental vehicles and related products, fire rescue vehicles, safety and signaling products, and consumable industrial tooling.

"We expect Joe's extensive experience and insight as the leader of a NYSE-traded, diversified manufacturing company to add value to our Board deliberations," said Raymond A. Jean, President, Chairman, and CEO of Quanex.

Ross graduated from St. Mary's University in Winona, Minnesota. He received his law degree from DePaul University in Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Ross also served on the Board of Trustees of St. Mary's University in Winona, Minnesota.

Quanex is a technological leader in the production of value-added engineered steel bars, aluminum flat-rolled products, and engineered, formedmetal products for transportation, capital equipment, residential construction, and other commercial markets.

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