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Webcast Alert: Spartan Motors, Inc. Announces First Quarter 2005 Results Webcast

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CHARLOTTE, Mich., April 20, 2005 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX/ -- Spartan Motors, Inc. (Nasdaq: SPAR) today announced that it plans to announce its first quarter 2005 results prior to the market opening on April 28, 2005. The Company also said it will host a webcast the same day at 10 a.m. Eastern to discuss its results:

What: Spartan Motors, Inc. Announces First Quarter 2005 Results

When: 04/28/05 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern

Where: https://theshyftgroup.com/webcasts.asp

How: Live over the Internet -- Simply log on to the web at the

address above

If you are unable to participate during the live webcast, the call will be archived at https://theshyftgroup.com.

About Spartan Motors

Spartan Motors, Inc. (https://theshyftgroup.com) designs, engineers and manufactures custom chassis and vehicles for the recreational vehicle, fire truck, ambulance and emergency-rescue markets. The Company's brand names -- Spartan(TM), Crimson Fire(TM), Crimson Fire Aerials(TM), and Road Rescue(TM) -- are known in their market niches for quality, value, service and being the first to market with innovative products. The Company employs approximately 900 at facilities in Michigan, Alabama, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and South Dakota. Spartan Motors is publicly traded on The Nasdaq Stock Market under the ticker symbol SPAR.

The statements contained in this news release include certain predictions and projections that may be considered "forward-looking statements" under the securities laws. These forward-looking statements are identifiable by words or phrases indicating that the Company or management "expects," "believes" or is "confident" that a particular result "may" or "should" occur, that a particular item "bodes well," that the Company "looks forward" to a particular result, or similar statements. These statements involve many risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially, including but not limited to economic, competitive, governmental and technological factors affecting the Company's operations, markets, products, services and prices. Accounting estimates are inherently forward-looking. Additional information about these and other factors that may adversely affect these forward-looking statements are contained in the Company's reports and filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect

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