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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10 K/A

AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

for the fiscal year ended January 30, 1999

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the period _____ to _____

Commission file number 1-8897

CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION

Delaware
State of incorporation

06-1119097
I. R. S. Employer Identification Number

1105 North Market Street, Suite 1300
P.O. Box 8985
Wilmington, Delaware 19899
(Address of principal executive offices)

(302) 478-4896

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class</u>	<u>Name of each Exchange on which registered</u>
Common Stock \$.01 par value	New York Stock Exchange
Preferred Stock Purchase Rights	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months, and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate if the disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of the registrant's knowledge, in a definitive proxy or information statement incorporated by reference in Part III of this FORM 10-K or any amendment to this FORM 10-K

The aggregate market value (based on the closing price on the New York Stock Exchange) of the Common Stock of the Registrant held by non affiliates of the Registrant was \$3,031,625,519 on March 26, 1999. For purposes of this response, executive officers and directors are deemed to be the affiliates of the Registrant and the holdings by non affiliates was computed as 104,538,811 shares.

The number of shares of Common Stock \$.01 par value per share, outstanding as of March 26, 1999, was 109,901,936 and there were no shares of Non-Voting Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share outstanding at that date.

Pursuant to Rule 15d-21 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the undersigned registrant hereby amends its annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 1999, to include the following information and financial statements required by Form 11-K with respect to the Consolidated Stores Corporation Savings Plan (Plan) for the year ended December 31, 1998 as restated.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Plan Administrator of the Consolidated Stores Corporation Savings Plan:

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of the **CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION SAVINGS PLAN** (the Plan) as of December 31, 1998 and 1997, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 1998. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan Administrator. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 1998 and 1997, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 1998, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

As discussed in the Restatement note to the financial statements, the accompanying 1998 financial statements have been restated.

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental schedules of (1) assets held for investment as of December 31, 1998 (as restated), and (2) reportable transactions in excess of five percent of the current value of Plan assets for the year ended December 31, 1998, are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements, but are supplemental information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. These schedules are the responsibility of the Plan's administrator. Such schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic 1998 financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Dayton, Ohio

May 7, 1999

(June 16, 2000, as to the Restatement Note to the financial statements)

**CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION SAVINGS PLAN
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS**

	December 31,	
	1998	1997
	(As Restated, See Restatement Note)	
ASSETS		
Investment in Securities:		
Consolidated Stores Corporation Common Shares	\$ 21,068,301	\$42,676,234
Investment in Mutual Funds:		
Basic Value Fund	15,985,777	11,434,052
Capital Fund	8,844,077	6,207,534
Global Allocation Fund	6,077,860	4,932,645
Growth Fund	7,121,289	7,926,939
Investment in Money Market Funds	30,506,239	11,863,044
Contribution receivable from:		
Consolidated Stores Corporation	5,350,492	3,421,236
Participants	340,342	194,733
Loans receivable	6,901,197	4,907,483
Receivable from nonqualified plan	254,615	333,909
	102,450,189	93,897,809
LIABILITIES		
Payable to Plan participants		224,830
		224,830
Net assets available for Plan benefits	\$102,450,189	\$93,672,979

See notes to financial statements.

**CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION SAVINGS PLAN
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS**

	For the Year Ended December 31, 1998
	(As Restated, See Restatement Note)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN PLAN ASSETS:	
Contributions:	
Participant contributions	\$ 9,125,383
Company contributions	4,941,658
Investment Income:	
Interest	510,376
Dividends	3,793,612
Net depreciation in fair value of investments	(25,585,147)
Transfer of Plan assets from acquired Company	26,554,147
TOTAL NET INCREASES	19,340,029
DECREASES IN PLAN ASSETS:	
Benefits paid to Plan participants	10,378,590
Administrative expenses	184,229
TOTAL DECREASES	10,562,819
NET INCREASE IN PLAN ASSETS	8,777,210
NET ASSETS — Beginning of year	93,672,979
NET ASSETS — End of year	\$102,450,189

See notes to financial statements.

**CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION SAVINGS PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

PLAN DESCRIPTION

On December 31, 1998, there were 25,923 employees eligible to participate in the Plan. On that date 7,930 were actively participating.

The following brief description of the Consolidated Stores Corporation Savings Plan ("Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for more complete information.

The purposes of the Plan are to encourage employee savings, to facilitate employee ownership of the Common Stock of Consolidated Stores Corporation, and to provide benefits during the employee's participation in the Plan and upon retirement, death, disability or termination of employment.

The administrator of the Plan is Consolidated Stores Corporation Savings Plan Committee ("Committee"). The Trustee of the Plan is The Fifth Third Bank of Cincinnati. (see TRUST AGREEMENT).

All employees of Consolidated Stores Corporation and any of its subsidiaries ("Company") which have adopted the Plan are eligible to participate. Participants must have attained age twenty-one and have completed one year of service prior to eligibility. Eligible employees may begin participation on the first day of the month following satisfaction of eligibility requirements. For any plan year, participants may contribute to the Plan any whole dollar amount not less than 1% of their compensation for such plan year but not more than the lesser of \$9,500 (or such larger amount in accordance with Code Section 402(g) which is \$10,000 as of January 1, 1998) or 15% of their compensation for the plan year. For the Plan years 1998 and 1997 the Company made matching contributions to the Plan on behalf of participants in an amount equal to 100% of the first 2% and 50% of the next 4%, of the employee's first 6% contribution. The Company's matching contributions may be made in the form of Common Stock of the Company.

Participants may elect to allocate their elective contribution to any of the Investment Funds (See INVESTMENT PROGRAMS) in increments of 1%. Additionally, this allocation may be revised or investment balances may be transferred by the participant upon notifying participant services by telephone.

Each participant shall be fully vested in the Company's matching contributions allocable to their account in the event of retirement or other termination of employment on or after his or her 65th birthday, on account of disability, as defined, or by reason of death.

A participant whose employment terminates under circumstances other than those described in the preceding paragraph will be vested in a portion of the Company's matching contribution based on years of service as follows:

**CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION SAVINGS PLAN
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PLAN DESCRIPTION — continued

Years of Service	Vested Percentage
Less than 2	—
At least 2 but less than 3	25
At least 3 but less than 4	50
At least 4 but less than 5	75
5 or more	100

On termination of service due to death, disability, or retirement, a participant may elect to receive either a lump-sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in their account, or annual installments over a ten year period. For termination of service due to other reasons, a participant may receive the value of their vested interest as a lump-sum distribution. The portion of the Company's matching contribution that is not fully vested will be forfeited at the time employment terminates. The Company has the right to terminate or amend the Plan at any time. In the event of termination, the Plan assets will be distributed to the participants, after payment of any expenses properly chargeable thereto, in proportion to their respective account balances.

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. Loan transactions are treated as a transfer to the Loan and Short Term Investment fund from the Participant investment funds. One loan per participant may be outstanding at any time and the loan term may not exceed 5 years. Loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at the prime rate plus 1% (rounded to the next 1/4%) as quoted in The Wall Street Journal as of the most recent quarters end when the loan application is approved. Loan repayments, including interest, are through regular payroll deductions. Loan balance may be paid off at any time without penalty.

At December 31, 1998, forfeited non vested accounts totaled \$63,534. These accounts may be utilized to offset future employer contributions. A total of \$63,878 was used to reduce employer contributions during 1998.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting. The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Investments. Investments are reflected in the accompanying statement of net assets available for benefits at market value, which is the valuation of the security or interest in an equity fund at year-end as determined by the quoted market price.

Net Appreciation (Depreciation) on Investments. Realized gains and losses are determined on a first-in, first-out basis utilizing a revalued cost which is calculated using beginning of the year market values, or purchase price if acquired during the year. Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments is calculated as the market value at the end of the year less the market value at the beginning of the year, or purchase price if acquired during the year.

Payment of Benefits. Benefits are recorded when paid.

CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION SAVINGS PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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TRUST AGREEMENT

Under a trust agreement The Fifth Third Bank of Cincinnati is responsible for investing the participants' contributions in the funds designated by each participant. In addition, the trustee processes and distributes all distributions from the Plan based on information provided by the Company. Administrative fees due under the trust agreement are paid by the Company.

INVESTMENT PROGRAMS

During the years ended December 31, 1998 and 1997, participants could direct their contributions to different funds of the Plan as described below:

Money Market Funds

Merrill Lynch Retirement Preservation Trust. According to the fund prospectus, the Merrill Lynch Retirement Preservation Trust ("RP Trust") is a collective trust fund that invests primarily in Investment Contracts (GICs) and United States Government and United States Government Agency securities.

Mutual Funds

Merrill Lynch Basic Value Fund, Inc. According to the fund prospectus, the Merrill Lynch Basic Value Fund, Inc. ("BV Fund") is a diversified, open-end, investment company seeking capital appreciation and, secondarily, income by investing in securities, primarily equities.

Merrill Lynch Capital Fund, Inc. According to the fund prospectus, the Merrill Lynch Capital Fund, Inc. ("Capital Fund") seeks to achieve the highest total investment return consistent with prudent risk through a fully managed investment policy utilizing equity, debt (including money market) and convertible securities.

Merrill Lynch Global Allocation Fund, Inc. According to the fund prospectus, the Merrill Lynch Global Allocation Fund, Inc. ("Global Fund") is a non-diversified mutual fund seeking high total investment return, through a fully-managed investment policy utilizing United States and foreign equity, debt, and money market securities.

Merrill Lynch Growth Fund. According to the fund prospectus, the Merrill Lynch Growth Fund ("Growth Fund") is a mutual fund seeking to provide growth of capital and, secondarily, income by investing in a diversified portfolio of primarily equity securities.

**CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION SAVINGS PLAN
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Company Stock Fund

Consolidated Stores Corporation Stock Fund. Contributions are invested in Common Shares of Consolidated Stores Corporation. All employer matching contributions are made to this fund.

TAX STATUS

The Plan and its Trust qualify for special tax treatment under Sections 401(a), 401(k), and 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Qualification under these sections means the Plan is exempt from Federal income tax. Accordingly, no provision for Federal income taxes has been made in the accompanying financial statements.

TRANSFERRED ASSETS

Effective January 16, 1998, the Company acquired Mac Frugal's Bargains • Closeouts, Inc (Mac Frugal's) through a pooling of interest. As a result of this combination, eligible associates of Mac Frugal's were transferred into the Company's Plan in May of 1998.

SUBSEQUENT EVENT

Effective February 1, 1999, three additional funds to which participants could direct their contributions were made available. These funds are the Janus Twenty Fund, Fidelity US Bond Fund and Dreyfus S&P 500 Index Fund.

RESTATEMENT

Subsequent to the issuance of the Plan's 1998 financial statements, the Plan's management determined that a transaction involving Consolidated Stores Corporation common shares was recorded twice in the Plan's financial statements thereby overstating the value of the Plan's recorded investment in the common shares. As a result, the Plan's 1998 financial statements have been restated from the amounts previously reported to reflect the appropriate recording of this transaction. A summary of the significant effects of the restatement is as follows:

	<u>As Previously Reported</u>	<u>As Restated</u>
At December 31, 1998		
Consolidated Stores Corporation — Common Shares	\$ 39,141,595	\$ 21,068,301
Net assets available for plan benefits	120,523,483	102,450,189
For the year ended December 31, 1998		
Net depreciation in fair value of investments	(7,511,853)	(25,585,147)
Net increase in plan assets	26,850,504	8,777,210

CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION SAVINGS PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS BY INVESTMENT PROGRAM

	December 31, 1998				
	Number of Shares	Loan and Short-term Investment Fund	Retirement Preservation Trust	Basic Value Fund	Capital Fund
ASSETS					
Investment in Securities:					
Consolidated Stores Corporation Common Stock	1,043,631	\$	\$	\$	\$
Investment in Mutual Funds:					
Basic Value Fund	420,613			15,985,777	
Capital Fund	256,972				8,844,077
Global Allocation Fund	480,416				
Growth Fund	323,329				
Investment in Money Market Funds	30,506,239		30,506,239		
Contribution receivable from:					
Consolidated Stores Corporation					
Participants		74,775	81,826	42,556	27,943
Loans receivable		6,901,197			
Receivable from nonqualified plan			38,170	38,028	15,749
		\$6,975,972	\$30,626,235	\$16,066,361	\$8,887,769

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	December 31, 1998			
	Global Allocation Fund	Growth Fund	Company Stock Fund	Plan Total
ASSETS				
Investment in Securities:				
Consolidated Stores Corporation Common Stock	\$	\$	\$21,068,301	\$ 21,068,301
Investment in Mutual Funds:				
Basic Value Fund				15,985,777
Capital Fund				8,844,077
Global Allocation Fund	6,077,860			6,077,860
Growth Fund		7,121,289		7,121,289
Investment in Money Market Funds				30,506,239
Contribution receivable from:				
Consolidated Stores Corporation				
Participants	22,710	33,893	5,350,492	5,350,492
Loans receivable			56,639	340,342
Receivable from nonqualified plan	12,313	20,014	130,341	254,615
	\$6,112,883	\$7,175,196	\$26,605,773	\$102,450,189

CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION SAVINGS PLAN
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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS BY INVESTMENT PROGRAM — continued

	December 31, 1997				
	Number of Shares	Loan and Short-term Investment Fund	Retirement Preservation Trust	Basic Value Fund	Capital Fund
ASSETS					
Investment in Securities:					
Consolidated Stores Corporation Common Stock	970,731	\$	\$	\$	\$
Investment in Mutual Funds:					
Basic Value Fund	308,360			11,434,052	
Capital Fund	179,879				6,207,534
Global Allocation Fund	248,844				
Growth Fund	275,682				
Investment in Money Market Funds	11,863,044		11,863,044		
Contribution receivable from:					
Consolidated Stores Corporation Participants		45,457	33,046	25,471	15,276
Loans receivable		4,907,483			
Receivable from nonqualified plan			31,340	44,361	26,588
		4,952,940	11,927,430	11,503,884	6,249,398
LIABILITIES					
Payable to Plan participants			76,435	48,283	10,191
			76,435	48,283	10,191
		\$4,952,940	\$11,850,995	\$11,455,601	\$6,239,207

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	December 31, 1997			
	Global Allocation Fund	Growth Fund	Company Stock Fund	Plan Total
ASSETS				
Investment in Securities:				
Consolidated Stores Corporation Common Stock	\$	\$	\$42,676,234	\$42,676,234
Investment in Mutual Funds:				
Basic Value Fund				11,434,052
Capital Fund				6,207,534
Global Allocation Fund	4,932,645			4,932,645
Growth Fund		7,926,939		7,926,939
Investment in Money Market Funds				11,863,044
Contribution receivable from:				
Consolidated Stores Corporation Participants	14,670	18,134	3,421,236	3,421,236
Loans receivable			42,679	194,733
Receivable from nonqualified plan	23,869	28,844	178,907	333,909
	4,971,184	7,973,917	46,319,056	93,897,809
LIABILITIES				
Payable to Plan participants	9,635	20,915	59,371	224,830
	9,635	20,915	59,371	224,830
	\$4,961,549	\$7,953,002	\$46,259,685	\$93,672,979

**CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION SAVINGS PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS BY INVESTMENT PROGRAM

	For the Year Ended December 31, 1998			
	Loan and Short- term Investment Fund	Retirement Preservation Trust	Basic Value Fund	Capital Fund
INCREASE IN PLAN ASSETS:				
Contributions:				
Participant contributions	\$	\$ 2,911,089	\$ 1,438,187	\$ 872,837
Company contributions				
Investment Income:				
Interest	510,376			
Dividend		1,191,923	1,244,313	518,256
Transfer of Plan assets from acquired Company	<u>26,554,147</u>			
TOTAL INCREASES	27,064,523	<u>4,103,012</u>	<u>2,682,500</u>	<u>1,391,093</u>
DECREASES (INCREASES) IN PLAN ASSETS:				
Net (appreciation) depreciation in fair value of investments		(15,557)	(49,974)	221,049
Benefits paid to participants and administrative expenses	749,483	3,071,360	1,437,331	630,328
Interfund transfers — net	<u>24,292,008</u>	<u>(17,728,031)</u>	<u>(3,315,617)</u>	<u>(2,108,846)</u>
TOTAL DECREASES (INCREASES)	<u>25,041,491</u>	<u>(14,672,228)</u>	<u>(1,928,260)</u>	<u>(1,257,469)</u>
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN PLAN ASSETS	2,023,032	18,775,240	4,610,760	2,648,562
NET ASSETS — Beginning of year	<u>4,952,940</u>	<u>11,850,995</u>	<u>11,455,601</u>	<u>6,239,207</u>
NET ASSETS — End of year	<u>\$ 6,975,972</u>	<u>\$ 30,626,235</u>	<u>\$16,066,361</u>	<u>\$ 8,887,769</u>

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	For the Year Ended December 31, 1998			
	Global Allocation Fund	Growth Fund	Company Stock Fund	Plan Total
INCREASE IN PLAN ASSETS:				
Contributions:				
Participant contributions	\$ 768,351	\$1,252,617	\$ 1,882,302	\$ 9,125,383
Company contributions			4,941,658	4,941,658
Investment Income:				
Interest				510,376
Dividend	695,063	142,597	1,460	3,793,612
Transfer of Plan assets from acquired Company				<u>26,554,147</u>
TOTAL INCREASES	1,463,414	1,395,214	6,825,420	44,925,176
DECREASES (INCREASES) IN PLAN ASSETS:				
Net (appreciation) depreciation in fair value of investments	766,960	2,231,664	22,431,005	25,585,147
Benefits paid to participants and administrative expenses	551,530	794,873	3,327,914	10,562,819

and administrative expenses	551,530	794,873	3,327,914	10,562,819
Interfund transfers — net	<u>(1,006,410)</u>	<u>(853,517)</u>	<u>720,413</u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL DECREASES (INCREASES)	<u>312,080</u>	<u>2,173,020</u>	<u>26,479,332</u>	<u>36,147,966</u>
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN PLAN ASSETS	1,151,334	(777,806)	(19,653,912)	8,777,210
NET ASSETS — Beginning of year	<u>4,961,549</u>	<u>7,953,002</u>	<u>46,259,685</u>	<u>93,672,979</u>
NET ASSETS — End of year	<u>\$ 6,112,883</u>	<u>\$7,175,196</u>	<u>\$ 26,605,773</u>	<u>\$102,450,189</u>

CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION SAVINGS PLAN

**Item 27(a) — SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES
December 31, 1998
(As Restated, see Note 1)**

Security Description	No. of Shares or Units	Purchase Cost		Market Value	
		Share or Unit	Total	Share or Unit	Total
<i>Company Stock Fund</i>					
* Consolidated Stores Corporation Common Stock	1,043,631	\$27.354	\$28,547,777	\$20.188	\$21,068,301
<i>Mutual Funds</i>					
* Merrill Lynch Basic Value Fund	420,613	\$28.653	12,052,029	\$38.006	15,985,777
* Merrill Lynch Global Allocation Fund	256,972	\$32.982	8,475,523	\$34.417	8,844,077
* Merrill Lynch Capital Fund	480,416	\$13.263	6,371,606	\$12.651	6,077,860
* Merrill Lynch Growth Fund	323,329	\$25.677	8,302,053	\$22.025	7,121,289
<i>Money Market Funds</i>					
* Merrill Lynch Retirement Preservation Trust	30,506,239	\$ 1.000	28,740,227	\$ 1.000	30,506,239
<i>Loans Receivable</i>	6,901,197	\$ 1.000	6,901,197	\$ 1.000	6,901,197

* Represents a party-in-interest.

NOTE 1. Subsequent to the issuance of the Plan's 1998 financial statements, the Plan's management determined that a transaction involving Consolidated Stores Corporation common shares was recorded twice in the Plan's financial statements thereby overstating the market value of the Plan's recorded investment in the common shares and the corresponding per share amount. As a result, the market value per share and the market value of the Plan's investment in the common shares of Consolidated Stores Corporation contained in the Plan's Schedule of Assets Held for Investment Purposes has been restated from \$37.500 to \$20.188, and from \$39,141,595 to \$21,068,301, respectively, to reflect the appropriate recording of this transaction.

CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION SAVINGS PLAN

**Item 27(d) — SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS
Year Ended December 31, 1998**

Security Description	Purchases		Sales			Gain (Loss)
	No. of Transactions	Amount	No. of Transactions	Proceeds	Cost	
<i>Company Stock Fund</i>						
* Consolidated Stores Corporation Common Stock	161	\$ 9,438,193	256	\$7,731,238	\$4,546,806	\$3,184,432
<i>Mutual Funds</i>						
* Merrill Lynch Basic Value Fund	147	5,604,246	102	2,362,517	1,973,846	388,671
* Merrill Lynch Growth Fund	130	4,222,534	106	2,949,955	3,300,896	(350,941)
* Merrill Lynch Capital Fund	134	3,645,030	86	1,302,387	1,267,681	34,706
<i>Money Market Funds</i>						
* Merrill Lynch Retirement Preservation Trust	126	23,276,674	111	5,825,402	5,825,402	

* Represents a party-in-interest.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' CONSENT

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in (i) Registration Statement No. 33-42502 on Form S-8 pertaining to Consolidated Stores Corporation Director Stock Option Plan (ii) Registration Statement No. 33-42692 on Form S-8 pertaining to Consolidated Stores Corporation Supplemental Savings Plan (iii) Post Effective Amendment No. 2 to Registration Statement No. 33-6068 on Form S-8 pertaining to Consolidated Stores Corporation Executive Stock Option and Stock Appreciation Rights Plan (iv) Post Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement No. 33-19378 on Form S-8 pertaining to Consolidated Stores Corporation Savings Plan (v) Post Effective Amendment No. 2 to Registration Statement No. 333-2545 on Form S-3 pertaining to the issuance of Consolidated Stores Corporation Common Shares (vi) Registration Statement No. 333-32063 on Form S-8 pertaining to Consolidated Stores Corporation 1996 Performance Incentive Plan and (vii) Registration Statement No. 333-41143 on Form S-4 pertaining to the issuance of Consolidated Stores Corporation Common Shares of our report dated May 7, 1999, June 16, 2000 as to the Restatement Note (which expresses an unqualified opinion and includes an explanatory paragraph relating to the restatement described in the Restatement Note to the financial statements), relating to the financial statements of Consolidated Stores Corporation Savings Plan, appearing in this Amendment No. 2 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Consolidated Stores Corporation for the year ended January 30, 1999.

Deloitte & Touche LLP

Dayton, Ohio
June 26, 2000

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant and the administrators of the Plan have duly caused this amendment to its annual report on Form 10-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION

By: /s/ William G. Kelley

William G. Kelley, Chairman, Chief Executive
Officer and President

By: /s/ Michael J. Potter

Michael J. Potter,
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer
and Principal Accounting Officer

CONSOLIDATED STORES CORPORATION SAVINGS PLAN

By: /s/ Brad A. Waite

Brad A. Waite,
Senior Vice President Human Resources

Dated: June 26, 2000