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DARIEN, Ill., Sept. 18 /PRNewswire/ -- Quotesmith.com, (Nasdaq: QUOT), the buyer-driven insurance exchange which provides instant insurance quotes from more than 300 leading insurance companies, announced that it has been ranked "Best of the Net" by About.com's Guide to Personal Life Insurance.

Quotesmith.com is the only place on earth that allows insurance shoppers to obtain instant quotes from over 300 leading insurance companies and to buy from the company of their choice. This pronouncement by About.com is the latest in a recent string of accolades for Quotesmith.com, including being ranked the #1 term life insurance site by FinanCenter.com, being named as one of the top five life insurance sites by Forbes magazine and being the only insurance site named as one of the top 100 sites for small business by Entrepreneur.com.

"We are extremely flattered that increasing recognition of Quotesmith.com as the very best insurance site on the Web continues to come in from myriad sources," commented Quotesmith.com Chairman and founder, Robert Bland. "We have worked diligently over the past 17 years to build the best site out there, and it is gratifying to see our efforts being recognized by so many impartial judges."

John Dreihobl, Personal Insurance Guide for About.com noted that, "I review thousands of insurance sites on a continuing basis, and only review and recommend what I consider to be the very best sites for my audience. This site delivers on its promises."

About Quotesmith.com

Quotesmith.com owns and operates the industry's largest and most comprehensive insurance price comparison service. The Quotesmith.com Insurance Commerce Platform allows insurance shoppers to instantly view the best prices being offered by more than 300 leading companies, achieve maximum savings and have the freedom to buy from the company of their choice. Quotesmith.com also provides personalized customer service assistance and policy placement services for its customers. Quotesmith.com generates revenues from the receipt of commissions and fees paid by insurance companies. Shares of Quotesmith.com trade on the Nasdaq Exchange under the symbol "QUOT."

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