## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of October 2023

Commission File Number: 001-40858

**XORTX** Therapeutics Inc.

3710 - 33rd Street NW, Calgary, Alberta, T2L 2M1

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#### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

# **XORTX Therapeutics Inc.** (Registrant)

<u>/s/ Allen Davidoff</u> Allen Davidoff Chief Executive Officer By: Name: Title:

Date: October 25, 2023

<u>99.1</u> <u>News release dated October 25.</u> <u>2023</u>

## **XORTX Announces Date for Rescheduled Special Meeting of Shareholders**

CALGARY, Alberta, Oct. 25, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- XORTX Therapeutics Inc. ("**XORTX**" or the "**Company**") (NASDAQ: XRTX | TSXV: XRTX | Frankfurt: ANU), a late-stage clinical pharmaceutical company focused on developing innovative therapies to treat progressive kidney disease, announces that further to its earlier press release, the special meeting of shareholders has been rescheduled to 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) on Friday, October 27, 2023 (the "Meeting").

At the Meeting shareholders will consider a consolidation of the Company's issued and outstanding shares in order for the Company to regain compliance with the continued listing requirements for the NASDAQ Capital Market.

### About XORTX Therapeutics Inc.

XORTX is a pharmaceutical company with two clinically advanced products in development: 1) our lead, XRx-008 program for ADPKD; and 2) our secondary program in XRx-101 for acute kidney and other acute organ injury associated with Respiratory Viral infection. In addition, XRx-225 is a pre-clinical stage program for Type 2 Diabetic Nephropathy. XORTX is working to advance its clinical development stage products that target aberrant purine metabolism and xanthine oxidase to decrease or inhibit production of uric acid. At XORTX, we are dedicated to developing medications to improve the quality of life and future health of patients with kidney disease. Additional information on XORTX is available at www.xortx.com.

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### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release contains express or implied forward-looking statements pursuant to applicable securities laws. These forward-looking statements and their implications are based on the current expectations of the management of XORTX only, and are subject to a number of factors and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. Except as otherwise required by law, XORTX undertakes no obligation to publicly release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. More detailed information about the risks and uncertainties affecting XORTX are contained under the heading "Risk Factors" in XORTX's Annual Information Form filed with the applicable Canadian securities regulators and the Company's 20-F filed with the SEC, which is available on the SEC's website, www.sec.gov (including any documents forming a part thereof or incorporated by reference therein), as well as in our reports, public disclosure documents and other rigulatory bodies in Canada, which are available on www.sedarplus.ca.