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## FORM 10-Q

☑ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT	Γ TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)	OF THE SECURITIES EXC	HANGE ACT OF 1934
	For the quarterly period end	led April 29, 2023	
	OR		
☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT	TTO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)	OF THE SECURITIES EXC	HANGE ACT OF 1934
	For the transition period from	to	
	Commission file number: 1	1-11893	
	GUESS?, IN	<b>C.</b>	
(I	Exact name of registrant as specif	ied in its charter)	
Delaware		95-3679695	
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporate	ation or organization)	(I.R.S. Employer Identificatio	on No.)
	Strada Regina 44 Bioggio, Switzerland CH (Address of principal executive offic		
	+41 91 809 5000 (Registrant's telephone number, inclu	• ,	
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:	(registrant s telephone number, men	ading area code)	
Title of each class	Trading symbol(s)	Name of each exchange of	n which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	GES	New York Stock Exchange	
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant of No o			
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submits (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months	ž ž	•	9
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		Emerging growth company	
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark i financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section	9	e extended transition period for comp	olying with any new or revised 0
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell co	mpany (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the	e Exchange Act). Yes □ No x	
As of May 26, 2023, the registrant had 53,533,482 shares	of Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per	share, outstanding.	

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### PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### **ITEM 1. Financial Statements.**

# GUESS?, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except share data)

		Apr 29, 2023	Jan 28, 2023		
	(	(unaudited)			
ASSETS					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	298,642	\$	275,765	
Accounts receivable, net		286,314		341,939	
Inventories		528,903		510,899	
Other current assets		98,820		83,102	
Total current assets		1,212,679		1,211,705	
Property and equipment, net		239,747		240,355	
Goodwill		34,574		34,277	
Deferred income tax assets		166,966		158,403	
Operating lease right-of-use assets		645,713		636,148	
Other assets		141,043		144,560	
	\$	2,440,722	\$	2,425,448	
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Current liabilities:					
Current portion of borrowings and finance lease obligations	\$	39,092	\$	40,380	
Accounts payable		274,683		289,442	
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		227,818		263,038	
Convertible senior notes due 2024, net		114,812		· —	
Current portion of operating lease liabilities		172,628		170,192	
Total current liabilities		829,033		763,052	
Convertible senior notes due 2024, net		<del></del>		298,931	
Convertible senior notes due 2028, net		265,594		_	
Long-term debt and finance lease obligations		159,372		95,921	
Long-term operating lease liabilities		530,939		528,236	
Other long-term liabilities		153,392		157,403	
Total liabilities		1,938,330		1,843,543	
Redeemable noncontrolling interests		9,334		9,154	
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Commitments and contingencies (Note 13)					
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Stockholders' equity:					
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value. Authorized 10,000,000 shares; no shares issued and outstanding		_		_	
Common stock, \$.01 par value. Authorized 150,000,000 shares; issued 142,771,253 and 142,771,253 shares; outstanding 53,469,081 and 54,609,786 shares as of April 29, 2023 and					
January 28, 2023, respectively		535		546	
Paid-in capital		508,774		532,398	
Retained earnings		1,252,393		1,276,857	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(139,477)		(134,073)	
Treasury stock, 89,302,172 and 88,161,467 shares as of April 29, 2023 and January 28,		(===,)		(== :,0:0)	
2023, respectively		(1,170,225)		(1,141,615)	
Guess?, Inc. stockholders' equity		452,000		534,113	
Nonredeemable noncontrolling interests		41,058		38,638	
Total stockholders' equity		493,058		572,751	
	\$	2,440,722	\$	2,425,448	
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# GUESS?, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (LOSS)

(in thousands, except per share data) (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended			nded
	Ap	or 29, 2023	Ap	or 30, 2022
Product sales	\$	545,910	\$	567,073
Net royalties		23,888		26,400
Net revenue		569,798		593,473
Cost of product sales		337,813		346,324
Gross profit		231,985		247,149
Selling, general and administrative expenses		230,973		209,831
Asset impairment charges		1,934		1,544
Net gains on lease modifications				(601)
Earnings (loss) from operations		(922)		36,375
Other income (expense):				
Interest expense		(4,218)		(3,093)
Interest income		2,515		574
Loss on extinguishment of debt		(7,696)		
Other, net		(2,631)		(16,452)
Total other expense		(12,030)		(18,971)
Earnings (loss) before income tax (benefit) expense		(12,952)		17,404
Income tax (benefit) expense		(2,258)		6,950
Net earnings (loss)		(10,694)		10,454
Net earnings attributable to noncontrolling interests		1,111		2,484
Net earnings (loss) attributable to Guess?, Inc.	\$	(11,805)	\$	7,970
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Net earnings (loss) per common share attributable to common stockholders:				
Basic	\$	(0.22)	\$	0.13
Diluted	\$	(0.22)	\$	0.12
Weighted average common shares outstanding attributable to common stockholders:		E 4 D 40		61.050
Basic		54,348		61,052
Diluted		54,348		74,469

### GUESS?, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) (in thousands)

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		Three Mor	nths En	ded
	Ap	r 29, 2023	Apr	30, 2022
Net earnings (loss)	\$	(10,694)	\$	10,454
Other comprehensive income (loss) ("OCI"):				
Foreign currency translation adjustment				
Gains (losses) arising during the period		2,330		(17,916)
Derivative financial instruments designated as cash flow hedges				
Gains (losses) arising during the period		(1,057)		8,603
Less income tax effect		115		(1,040)
Reclassification to net earnings (loss) for gains realized		(6,021)		(1,613)
Less income tax effect		678		170
Defined benefit plans				
Foreign currency and other adjustments		(181)		168
Less income tax effect		20		(16)
Net actuarial loss amortization		62		30
Prior service credit amortization		(39)		(23)
Less income tax effect		(2)		(3)
Total comprehensive loss		(14,789)		(1,186)
Less comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests:				
Net earnings		1,111		2,484
Foreign currency translation adjustment		1,309		(476)
Amounts attributable to noncontrolling interests		2,420		2,008
Comprehensive loss attributable to Guess?, Inc.	\$	(17,209)	\$	(3,194)

# GUESS?, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands)

(unaudited)

		Three Months Ended		
	Ap	r 29, 2023	Α	pr 30, 2022
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net earnings (loss)	\$	(10,694)	\$	10,454
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings (loss) to net cash used in operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization		15,449		15,304
Amortization of debt discount		25		_
Amortization of debt issuance costs		335		354
Share-based compensation expense		4,620		4,052
Forward contract gains		(5,813)		(1,462)
Net loss from impairment and disposition of long-term assets		2,480		1,668
Loss on extinguishment of debt		7,696		_
Other items, net		5,606		21,942
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Accounts receivable		57,395		20,317
Inventories		(16,929)		(37,698)
Prepaid expenses and other assets		(13,913)		(14,178)
Operating lease assets and liabilities, net		(4,977)		(16,434)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses and other current liabilities		(51,798)		(59,351)
Other long-term liabilities		(2,140)		462
Net cash used in operating activities		(12,658)		(54,570)
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Purchases of property and equipment		(17,347)		(28,742)
Net cash settlement of forward contract		(329)		118
Other investing activities		292		(572)
Net cash used in investing activities		(17,384)		(29,196)
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Proceeds from borrowings		74,309		45,507
Repayments on borrowings and finance lease obligations		(14,691)		(18,736)
Net proceeds from issuance of convertible senior notes		80,324		_
Proceeds from issuance of warrant		20,158		_
Purchase of convertible note hedge		(51,838)		_
Proceeds from termination of convertible senior note hedge		7,235		_
Payments for termination of common stock warrant		(1,024)		_
Debt issuance costs		(4,218)		_
Purchase of equity forward contract				(105,000)
Dividends paid		(13,860)		(13,676)
Noncontrolling interest capital distribution		_		(4,817)
Issuance of common stock, net of income tax withholdings on vesting of stock awards		(269)		1,675
Purchase of treasury stock		(42,821)		(81,747)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		53,305		(176,794
Effect of exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents		(386)		(7,108)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		22,877		(267,668)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		275,765		415,565
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	\$	298,642	\$	147,897
Supplemental cash flow data:				
Interest paid	\$	4,592	\$	4,030
Income taxes paid, net of refunds	\$	15,398	\$	7,214
Non-cash investing and financing activity:				
Change in accrual of property and equipment	\$	(1,521)	\$	2,005
				1,182
Assets acquired under finance lease obligations	\$	(1,521) 129	\$	

# GUESS?, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

(in thousands, except share data) (unaudited)

For the three months ended April 29, 2023  $\,$ 

	Guess?, Inc. Stockholders' Equity												
	Common Stock						Treasu	ry Stock					
	Shares	A	mount		Paid-in Retained Capital Earnings		Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss		Shares Amount		Nonredeemable Noncontrolling Interests		Total
Balance at January 28, 2023	54,609,786	\$	546	\$	532,398	\$ 1,276,857	\$	(134,073)	88,161,467	\$ (1,141,615)	\$ 38,638	\$	572,751
Net earnings (loss)	_		_		_	(11,805)		_	_	_	1,111		(10,694)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of income tax benefit of \$811	_		_		_	_		(5,404)	_	_	1,309		(4,095)
Issuance of common stock under stock compensation plans	1,085,319		11		(14,519)	_		_	(1,085,319)	14,058	_		(450)
Issuance of stock under Employee Stock Purchase Plan	11,848		_		28	_		_	(11,848)	153	_		181
Share-based compensation	_		_		4,617	3		_		_	_		4,620
Dividends, net of forfeitures on non-participating securities	_		_		_	(12,662)		_	_	_	_		(12,662)
Share repurchases	(2,237,872)		(22)		22	_		_	2,237,872	(42,821)	_		(42,821)
Equity component value of convertible notes transactions, net	_		_		(744)	_		_	_	_	_		(744)
Sale of common stock warrant	_		_		20,158	_		_		_	_		20,158
Purchase of convertible note hedge	_		_		(39,397)	_		_	_	_	_		(39,397)
Termination of common stock warrant	_		_		(1,024)	_		_		_	_		(1,024)
Termination of convertible note hedge	_		_		7,235	_		_	_	_	_		7,235
Balance at April 29, 2023	53,469,081	\$	535	\$	508,774	\$ 1,252,393	\$	(139,477)	89,302,172	\$ (1,170,225)	\$ 41,058	\$	493,058

# GUESS?, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

(in thousands, except share data) (unaudited)

For the three months ended April 30, 2022  $\,$ 

	Guess?, Inc. Stockholders' Equity										
	Commo	n Stock			,		1. 7	Treasur	y Stock		
	Shares	Amo	unt	Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings		Accumulated Other omprehensive Loss	Shares	Amount	Nonredeemable Noncontrolling Interests	Total
Balance at January 29, 2022	62,697,032	\$	627	\$ 565,024	\$ 1,158,664	\$	(135,549)	80,074,914	\$ (966,108)	\$ 30,985	\$ 653,643
Cumulative adjustment from adoption of new accounting guidance	_		_	(43,078)	21,355		_	_	_	_	(21,723)
Net earnings	_		_	_	7,970		_	_	_	2,484	10,454
Other comprehensive loss, net of income tax of (\$889)	_		_	_	_		(11,164)	_	_	(476)	(11,640)
Issuance of common stock under stock compensation plans	411,785		4	(3,608)	_		_	(411,785)	5,074	_	1,470
Issuance of stock under Employee Stock Purchase Plan	10,976		_	69	_		_	(10,976)	137	_	206
Share-based compensation	_		_	4,003	49		_	_	_	_	4,052
Dividends, net of forfeitures on non-participating securities	_		_	_	(13,659)		_	_	_	_	(13,659)
Share repurchases	(3,789,576)		(38)	38	_		_	3,789,576	(81,747)	_	(81,747)
Noncontrolling interest capital distribution	_		_	_	_		_	_	_	(4,817)	(4,817)
Equity forward contract issuance	_			(105,000)							(105,000)
Balance at April 30, 2022	59,330,217	\$	593	\$ 417,448	\$ 1,174,379	\$	(146,713)	83,441,729	\$ (1,042,644)	\$ 28,176	\$ 431,239

# GUESS?, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS April 29, 2023

(unaudited)

#### (1) Basis of Presentation

#### Description of the Business

Guess?, Inc. (the "Company" or "GUESS?") designs, markets, distributes and licenses a leading lifestyle collection of contemporary apparel and accessories for men, women and children that reflect the American lifestyle and European fashion sensibilities. The Company's designs are sold in GUESS? owned stores, to a network of wholesale accounts that includes better department stores, selected specialty retailers and upscale boutiques and through the Internet. GUESS? branded products, some of which are produced under license, are also sold internationally through a series of retail store licensees and wholesale distributors.

#### Reclassifications

The Company has made certain reclassifications to prior period amounts to conform to the current period presentation within the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements and notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

#### Interim Financial Statements

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company contain all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring adjustments, considered necessary for a fair presentation of the condensed consolidated balance sheets as of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, and the condensed consolidated statements of income (loss), comprehensive income (loss), cash flows and stockholders' equity for the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022. The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") for interim financial information and the instructions to Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). Accordingly, they have been condensed and do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. The results of operations and cash flows for the three months ended April 29, 2023 are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations to be expected for the full fiscal year.

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 28, 2023.

#### Fiscal Periods

The Company operates on a 52/53-week fiscal year calendar, which ends on the Saturday nearest to January 31 of each year. The three months ended April 29, 2023 had the same number of days as the three months ended April 30, 2022. All references herein to "fiscal 2023" and "fiscal 2022" represent the results of the 52-week fiscal years ended January 28, 2023 and January 29, 2022, respectively. All references herein to "fiscal 2024" represent the 53-week fiscal year ending February 3, 2024, with the extra week occurring in the fourth quarter of the year.

### Business Update, Market Trends and Uncertainties

Macroeconomic conditions, including rising inflation, higher interest rates, foreign exchange rate fluctuations, declines in consumer spending and the impact of the ongoing conflict in Ukraine and public health crises continue to negatively impact the Company's businesses.

The Company continues to carefully monitor global and regional developments and respond appropriately. The Company also continues to strategically manage expenses in order to protect profitability and to mitigate, to the extent possible, the effect of supply chain disruptions. The duration and scope of these conditions cannot be predicted, and therefore, any anticipated negative financial impact to the Company's operating results cannot be reasonably estimated.

#### Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the Company are set forth in further detail in Note 1 to the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements contained in the Company's fiscal 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K. The Company includes herein certain updates to those policies.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and disclosed in the accompanying notes. Significant areas requiring the use of management estimates relate to the allowances for doubtful accounts, sales return and markdown allowances, gift card and loyalty accruals, valuation of inventories, share-based compensation, income taxes, recoverability of deferred income taxes, unrecognized income tax benefits, the useful life of assets for depreciation and amortization, evaluation of asset impairment (including goodwill and long-lived assets, such as property and equipment and operating lease right-of-use ("ROU") assets), pension obligations, workers' compensation and medical self-insurance expense and accruals, litigation reserves and restructuring expense and accruals. These estimates and assumptions may change as a result of the impact of global economic conditions, such as the uncertainty regarding the impact of public health crises, the ongoing Russia-Ukraine conflict, global inflationary pressures, volatility in foreign exchange rates and declining consumer spending. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Revisions in estimates could materially impact the results of operations and financial position.

The Company's operations could be impacted in ways the Company is not able to predict today. While the Company believes it has made reasonable accounting estimates based on the facts and circumstances that were available as of the reporting date, to the extent there are differences between these estimates and actual results, the Company's results of operations and financial position could be materially impacted.

#### Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes the majority of its revenue from its direct-to-consumer (brick-and-mortar retail stores and concessions as well as e-commerce) and wholesale distribution channels at a point in time when it satisfies a performance obligation and transfers control of the product to the respective customer.

The Company also recognizes royalty revenue from its trademark license agreements. The Company's trademark license agreements represent symbolic licenses that are dependent on the Company's continued support over the term of the license agreement. The amount of revenue that is recognized from the licensing arrangements is based on sales-based royalty and advertising fund contributions as well as specific fixed payments, where applicable. The Company's trademark license agreements customarily provide for a multi-year initial term ranging from three to ten years and may contain options to renew prior to expiration for an additional multi-year period. The unrecognized portion of upfront payments is included in deferred royalties in accrued expenses and other long-term liabilities depending on the short or long-term nature of the payments to be recognized. As of April 29, 2023, the Company had \$5.0 million and \$14.0 million of deferred royalties related to these upfront payments included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities and other long-term liabilities, respectively. This compares to \$4.8 million and \$15.2 million of deferred royalties related to these upfront payments included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities and other long-term liabilities, respectively, at January 28, 2023. During the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, the Company recognized \$3.6 million and \$3.4 million in net royalties related to the amortization of deferred royalties, respectively.

Refer to Note 8 for further information on disaggregation of revenue by segment and country.

#### Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

In the normal course of business, the Company grants credit directly to certain wholesale customers after a credit analysis is performed based on financial and other criteria. Accounts receivable are recorded net of an allowance for doubtful accounts. The Company maintains allowances for doubtful accounts for estimated

losses that may result from the inability of its wholesale customers and licensing partners to make their required payments. The Company bases its allowances on analysis of the aging of accounts receivable at the date of the financial statements, assessments of historical and current collection trends, evaluation of the impact of current and future forecasted economic conditions and whether the Company has obtained credit insurance or other guarantees. Management performs regular evaluations concerning the ability of its customers to make required payments and records a provision for doubtful accounts based on these evaluations.

As of April 29, 2023, approximately 44% of the Company's total net trade accounts receivable and 55% of its European net trade receivables were subject to credit insurance coverage, certain bank guarantees or letters of credit for collection purposes. The Company's credit insurance coverage contains certain terms and conditions specifying deductibles and annual claim limits. Management evaluates the creditworthiness of the counterparties to the credit insurance, bank guarantees and letters of credit and records a provision for the risk of loss on these instruments based on these evaluations as considered necessary.

The Company's credit losses for the periods presented were not significant compared to sales and did not significantly exceed management's estimates. Refer to Note 5 for further information on the Company's allowance for doubtful accounts.

Recently Issued Accounting Guidance

#### Reference Rate Reform

The Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued guidance to provide temporary optional expedients to ease the potential burden in accounting for reference rate reform. This guidance provides optional expedients and exceptions for applying generally accepted accounting principles to contract modifications and hedging relationships, subject to certain criteria, referencing the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") or another reference rate expected to be discontinued. The FASB issued subsequent amendments to further clarify the scope of optional expedients and exceptions to derivatives affected by the transition. The guidance is intended to help stakeholders during the global market-wide reference rate transition period.

The Company identified and modified its loans and other financial instruments with attributes directly or indirectly influenced by LIBOR. The Company determined, of its current LIBOR references as outlined in Note 9 Borrowings and Finance Lease Obligations, Note 15 Fair Value Measurements, and Note 16 Derivative Financial Instruments, only the obligations under Mortgage Debt, credit facilities, and Interest Rate Swap Agreements are impacted by this guidance. In May 2023, the Company amended the terms of the Mortgage Debt for the interest rate to be based on Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") effective May 1, 2023. The Company also amended its existing interest rate swap agreement, resulting in a swap fixed rate of approximately 3.14%. The Company does not expect this guidance to have a material impact on its consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

### (2) Lease Accounting

The Company primarily leases its showrooms, advertising, licensing, sales and merchandising offices, remote distribution and warehousing facilities and retail and factory outlet store locations under operating lease agreements expiring on various dates through January 2039. The Company also leases some of its equipment, as well as computer hardware and software, under operating and finance lease agreements expiring on various dates through January 2028.

The Company's lease agreements primarily provide for lease payments based on a minimum annual rental amount, a percentage of annual sales volume, periodic adjustments related to inflation or a combination of such lease payments. Certain retail store leases provide for lease payments based upon the minimum annual rental amount and a percentage of annual sales volume, generally ranging from 3% to 28%, when specific sales volumes are exceeded. The Company's retail concession leases also provide for lease payments primarily based upon a percentage of annual sales volume, which averages approximately 32%.

In addition to the amounts as disclosed below, the Company has estimated additional operating lease commitments of approximately \$13.6 million for leases where the Company has not yet taken possession of the underlying asset as of April 29, 2023. As such, the related operating lease ROU assets and operating lease liabilities have not been recognized in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet as of April 29, 2023.

The components of leases are (in thousands):

		Aj	or 29, 2023	Ja	ın 28, 2023
Assets	Balance Sheet Location				
Operating	Operating lease right-of-use assets	\$	645,713	\$	636,148
Finance	Property and equipment, net		17,777		19,055
Total lease assets		\$	663,490	\$	655,203
Liabilities	Balance Sheet Location				
Current:					
Operating	Current portion of operating lease liabilities	\$	172,628	\$	170,192
Finance	Current portion of borrowings and finance lease obligations		6,733		6,684
Noncurrent:					
Operating	Long-term operating lease liabilities		530,939		528,236
Finance	Long-term debt and finance lease obligations		12,189		13,181
Total lease liabilities		\$	722,489	\$	718,293

The components of lease costs are (in thousands):

			Three Mor	nths En	ded
	Income Statement Location	Apı	29, 2023	Apr	30, 2022
Operating lease costs	Cost of product sales	\$	46,052	\$	44,372
Operating lease costs	Selling, general and administrative expenses		6,597		6,301
Operating lease costs <sup>1</sup>	Net gains on lease modifications		_		(601)
Finance lease costs					
Amortization of leased assets	Cost of product sales		23		19
Amortization of leased assets	Selling, general and administrative expenses		1,529		1,502
Interest on lease liabilities	Interest expense		209		287
Variable lease costs <sup>2</sup>	Cost of product sales		24,491		21,996
Variable lease costs <sup>2</sup>	Selling, general and administrative expenses		661		956
Short-term lease costs	Cost of product sales		70		96
Short-term lease costs	Selling, general and administrative expenses		1,639		1,558
Total lease costs		\$	81,271	\$	76,486

#### Notes:

During the three months ended April 30, 2022, net gains on lease modifications related primarily to the early termination of lease agreements for certain of the Company's retail locations. Operating lease costs for these retail locations prior to the early termination were included in cost of product sales.

During the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, variable lease costs included certain rent concessions of approximately \$0.4 million and \$1.3 million, respectively, received by the Company, primarily in Europe.

Maturities of the Company's operating and finance lease liabilities as of April 29, 2023 are (in thousands):

	Operating Leases						
Maturity of Lease Liabilities	No	n-Related Parties	Relat	ed Parties	Finai	ice Leases	Total
Fiscal 2024	\$	151,672	\$	6,252	\$	6,050	\$ 163,974
Fiscal 2025		144,730		7,241		5,668	157,639
Fiscal 2026		110,236		6,849		5,204	122,289
Fiscal 2027		91,709		7,550		2,668	101,927
Fiscal 2028		71,291		7,717		810	79,818
After fiscal 2028		179,314		20,826			200,140
Total lease payments		748,952		56,435		20,400	 825,787
Less: Interest		89,100		12,720		1,478	103,298
Present value of lease liabilities	\$	659,852	\$	43,715	\$	18,922	\$ 722,489

Other supplemental information is (in thousands):

Lease Term and Discount Rate	Apr 29, 2023
Weighted-average remaining lease term	
Operating leases	6.2 years
Finance leases	3.4 years
Weighted-average discount rate	
Operating leases	4.5%
Finance leases	4.7%

		ıded																				
Supplemental Cash Flow Information	Apr	Apr 29, 2023		Apr 29, 2023		Apr 29, 2023		Apr 29, 2023		Apr 29, 2023		Apr 29, 2023		Apr 29, 2023		Apr 29, 2023		Apr 29, 2023		Apr 29, 2023 A		30, 2022
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities																						
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$	51,225	\$	63,896																		
New operating ROU assets obtained in exchange for lease liabilities	\$	36,068	\$	35,378																		

#### **Impairment**

During the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, there were no ROU asset impairment charges. Asset impairment charges are generally determined based on the excess of carrying value over the fair value of the ROU assets. The Company uses estimates of market participant rents to calculate fair value of the ROU assets. Refer to Note 15 for more information on the Company's impairment testing.

#### (3) Earnings (Loss) per Share

The computation of basic and diluted net earnings (loss) per common share attributable to common stockholders is (in thousands, except per share data):

	Three Months Ended			
	Apr 29, 2023			Apr 30, 2022
Net earnings (loss) attributable to Guess?, Inc.	\$	(11,805)	\$	7,970
Less net earnings attributable to nonvested restricted stockholders		164		56
Net earnings (loss) attributable to common stockholders		(11,969)		7,914
Add interest expense related to the convertible senior notes <sup>1</sup>				902
Net earnings (loss) attributable to common stockholders used in diluted computations	\$	(11,969)	\$	8,816
Weighted average common shares used in basic computations		54,348		61,052
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Stock options and restricted stock units <sup>2</sup>		_		1,666
Convertible senior notes <sup>1</sup>				11,751
Weighted average common shares used in diluted computations		54,348		74,469
Net earnings (loss) per common share attributable to common stockholders:				
Basic	\$	(0.22)	\$	0.13
Diluted	\$	(0.22)	\$	0.12

#### Notes:

During the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, equity awards granted for 1,091,454 and 1,183,823 shares, respectively, of the Company's common stock were outstanding but were excluded from the computation of diluted weighted average common shares and common equivalent shares outstanding because the assumed proceeds resulted in these awards being antidilutive. For each of the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, the Company excluded 300,000 nonvested stock units which were subject to the achievement of market-based vesting conditions from the computation of diluted weighted average common shares and common equivalent shares outstanding because these conditions were not achieved as of April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022.

Warrants related to the 2.00% convertible senior notes due April 2024 (the "2024 Notes") to purchase approximately 4.6 million and 11.6 million shares of the Company's common shares at an initial strike price of \$46.88 per share were outstanding as of April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, respectively. Warrants related to the 3.75% convertible senior notes due April 2028 (the "2028 Notes", and collectively referred to as the "Notes") to purchase approximately 11.1 million shares of the Company's common shares at an initial strike price of \$41.80 per share were outstanding as of April 29, 2023. These warrants were excluded from the computation of diluted net earnings per share since the warrants' adjusted strike price was greater than the average market price of the Company's common stock during the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022. See Note 10 for more information regarding the Notes.

During the three months ended April 29, 2023, there were 12,834,308 potentially dilutive shares related to the convertible senior notes that were not included in the computation of diluted weighted average common shares and common equivalent shares outstanding because their effect would have been antidilutive given the Company's net loss.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> During the three months ended April 29, 2023, there were 1,351,331 potentially dilutive shares related to stock options and restricted stock units that were not included in the computation of diluted weighted average common shares and common equivalent shares outstanding because their effect would have been antidilutive given the Company's net loss.

#### (4) Stockholders' Equity

Share Repurchase Program

During fiscal 2022, the Board of Directors terminated its previous 2012 \$500 million share repurchase program (the "2012 Share Repurchase Program") and authorized a new \$200 million share repurchase program (the "2021 Share Repurchase Program"). On March 14, 2022, the Board of Directors expanded its repurchase authorization under the 2021 Share Repurchase Program by \$100 million. Repurchases may be made on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plans or other available means. There is no minimum or maximum number of shares to be repurchased under the program and the program may be discontinued at any time without prior notice.

During March 2022, pursuant to existing share repurchase authorizations, the Company entered into an accelerated share repurchase agreement (the "2022 ASR Contract") with a financial institution (the "2022 ASR Counterparty") to repurchase an aggregate of \$175.0 million of the Company's common stock. Under the 2022 ASR Contract, the Company made a payment of \$175.0 million to the 2022 ASR Counterparty in exchange for approximately 8.5 million shares of its common stock in the first half of fiscal 2023.

During the three months ended April 29, 2023, the Company repurchased 2.2 million shares under its 2021 Share Repurchase Program at an aggregate cost of \$42.8 million, including excise tax. These shares were repurchased through broker assisted market transactions in connection with the exchange and subscription offering related to the 2024 Notes and the 2028 Notes. During the three months ended April 30, 2022, the Company repurchased 3.8 million shares under its 2021 Share Repurchase Program at an aggregate cost of \$81.7 million, which is inclusive of the shares repurchased under the 2022 ASR Contract. As of April 29, 2023, the Company had remaining authority under the 2021 Share Repurchase Program to purchase \$19.7 million of its common stock.

#### Dividends

The following sets forth the cash dividend declared per share:

		Three Months Ended			
	Apr	29, 2023	Apr 30, 2022		
Cash dividend declared per share	\$	0.225	\$	0.225	

The indenture governing the 2024 Notes requires an adjustment to the conversion rate and the conversion price of the 2024 Notes for quarterly dividends exceeding \$0.1125 per share. The indenture governing the 2028 Notes requires an adjustment to the conversion rate and the conversion price of the 2028 Notes for quarterly dividends exceeding \$0.225 per share.

On, May 24, 2023, the Company announced an increase to its regular quarterly cash dividend from \$0.225 to \$0.30 per share on the Company's common stock. In connection with the increase to the quarterly cash dividend, the Company will adjust the conversion rate (which is expected to increase) and the conversion price (which is expected to decrease) of the Notes in accordance with the terms of the indenture governing the respective Notes, effective as of June 6, 2023. A corresponding adjustment is expected to be made to the strike prices with respect to the convertible note hedges and the warrants entered into by the Company in connection with the offering of the corresponding Notes, each of which will be decreased in accordance with the terms of the applicable convertible note hedge confirmations and warrant confirmations. Refer to Note 17 for more information.

For each of the periods presented, dividends paid also included the impact from vesting of restricted stock units that are considered non-participating securities and are only entitled to dividend payments once the respective awards vest.

Decisions on whether, when and in what amounts to continue making any future dividend distributions will remain at all times entirely at the discretion of the Company's Board of Directors, which reserves the right to change or terminate the Company's dividend practices at any time and for any reason without prior notice.

The payment of cash dividends in the future will be based upon a number of business, legal and other considerations, including the Company's cash flow from operations, capital expenditures, debt service and covenant requirements, cash paid for income taxes, earnings, share repurchases, economic conditions and U.S. and global liquidity.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The changes in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of related income taxes, are (in thousands):

	( Ti	Foreign Currency ranslation djustment	In De	Derivative Financial Instruments Signated as Cash Flow Hedges	D	efined Benefit Plans		Total
			Thi	ree Months En	ıded	Apr 29, 2023		
Balance at January 28, 2023	\$	(129,168)	\$	(1,584)	\$	(3,321)	\$	(134,073)
Gains (losses) arising during the period		1,021		(942)		(161)		(82)
Reclassification to net earnings (loss) for (gains) losses realized		_		(5,343)		21		(5,322)
Net other comprehensive income (loss)		1,021		(6,285)		(140)		(5,404)
Balance at April 29, 2023	\$	(128,147)	\$	(7,869)	\$	(3,461)	\$	(139,477)
	Three Months Ended Apr 30, 2022							
Balance at January 29, 2022	\$	(135,861)	\$	7,280	\$	(6,968)	\$	(135,549)
Gains (losses) arising during the period		(17,440)		7,563		152		(9,725)
Reclassification to net earnings for (gains) losses realized		<u> </u>		(1,443)		4		(1,439)
Net other comprehensive income (loss)		(17,440)		6,120		156		(11,164)
Balance at April 30, 2022	\$	(153,301)	\$	13,400	\$	(6,812)	\$	(146,713)

Details on reclassifications out of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) to net earnings (loss) are (in thousands):

		Three Mor	nths Ended	Location of (Gain) Loss Reclassified from
	Apr 29, 2023 Apr 30, 2022		Apr 30, 2022	Accumulated OCI into Earnings (Loss)
Derivative financial instruments designated as cash flow hedges:				
Foreign exchange currency contracts	\$	(5,893)	\$ (1,674)	Cost of product sales
Interest rate swap		(128)	61	Interest expense
Less income tax effect		678	170	Income tax (benefit) expense
		(5,343)	(1,443)	
Defined benefit plans:				
Net actuarial loss amortization		62	30	Other expense
Prior service credit amortization		(39)	(23)	Other expense
Less income tax effect		(2)	(3)	Income tax (benefit) expense
		21	4	
Total reclassifications during the period	\$	(5,322)	\$ (1,439)	

#### (5) Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable is summarized as follows (in thousands):

	Ap	Apr 29, 2023		Jan 28, 2023
Trade	\$	259,784	\$	306,737
Royalty		30,464		37,521
Other		4,149		6,235
		294,397		350,493
Less allowances		8,083		8,554
	\$	286,314	\$	341,939

Accounts receivable consists of trade receivables relating primarily to the Company's wholesale business in Europe and, to a lesser extent, to its wholesale businesses in the Americas and Asia, royalty receivables relating to its licensing operations, credit card and retail concession receivables related to its retail businesses and certain other receivables. Other receivables generally relate to amounts due to the Company that result from activities that are not related to the direct sale of the Company's products or collection of royalties.

#### (6) Inventories

Inventories consist of the following (in thousands):

	Ap	r <b>29, 2023</b>	Jan 28, 2023		
Raw materials	\$	3,503	\$	1,807	
Work in progress		3		3	
Finished goods		525,397		509,089	
	\$	528,903	\$	510,899	

The above balances include an allowance to write down inventories to the lower of cost or net realizable value of \$28.0 million and \$30.3 million as of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, respectively.

#### (7) Income Taxes

#### Effective Income Tax Rate

Income tax expense (benefit) for the interim periods is computed using the income tax rate estimated to be applicable for the full fiscal year, adjusted for discrete items. The Company's effective income tax rate was a benefit of 17.4% for the three months ended April 29, 2023 compared to an expense of 39.9% for the three months ended April 30, 2022. The change in the effective income tax rate was primarily due to a decrease in earnings, offset by the discrete items, which included losses in certain tax jurisdictions for which the Company did not recognize an income tax benefit in fiscal 2024 compared to the same prior-year quarter.

#### **Intra-Entity Transaction**

During the third quarter of fiscal 2022, the Company completed an intra-entity transfer of intellectual property rights from certain U.S. entities to a wholly-owned Swiss subsidiary, more closely aligning the Company's intellectual property rights with its business operations. This transaction resulted in a taxable gain in the U.S. The U.S. taxable gain generated by this intercompany transfer of intellectual property was primarily offset by the recognition of a deferred income tax asset in the Swiss subsidiary.

The Company is in discussions with the Swiss tax authority for potential income tax benefits related to additional business functions being performed in Switzerland. Although the timing and outcome of such discussions is uncertain, if a positive agreement is reached with the Swiss tax authority, it could result in a significant benefit to the Company's consolidated financial statements.

#### Unrecognized Income Tax Benefit

The Company and its subsidiaries are subject to U.S. federal and foreign income tax, as well as income tax of multiple state and foreign local jurisdictions. From time-to-time, the Company is subject to routine

income and other audits on various income tax matters around the world in the ordinary course of business. As of April 29, 2023, no major income tax or other tax audits were ongoing.

As of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, the Company had \$64.9 million and \$64.4 million, respectively, of aggregate accruals for uncertain income tax positions, including penalties and interest. This includes an accrual of \$19.9 million for the estimated transition tax (excluding interest) related to the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Reform") and \$20.6 million for the intra-entity transfer of intellectual property rights from certain U.S. entities to a wholly-owned Swiss subsidiary, substantially offset by the related deferred income tax benefit recorded by the Swiss subsidiary. The Company reviews and updates the estimates used in the accrual for uncertain income tax positions, as appropriate, as more definitive information or interpretations become available from income taxing authorities, and on the completion of income tax audits, the receipt of assessments, expiration of statutes of limitations, or occurrence of other events.

During the second quarter of fiscal 2021, the Company became aware of a foreign withholding income tax regulation that could be interpreted to apply to certain of its previous transactions. The Company currently does not expect its exposure, if any, will have a material impact on its consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

#### Indefinite Reinvestment Assertion

The Company has historically considered the undistributed earnings of its foreign subsidiaries to be indefinitely reinvested. As a result of the Tax Reform, the Company had a substantial amount of previously taxed earnings that could be distributed to the U.S. without additional U.S. taxation. As of April 29, 2023, the Company determined that approximately \$49.2 million of such foreign earnings are not indefinitely reinvested. The incremental tax cost to repatriate these earnings to the U.S. is immaterial. The Company intends to indefinitely reinvest the remaining earnings from the Company's foreign subsidiaries for which a deferred income tax liability has not already been recorded. The Company continues to evaluate its plans for reinvestment or repatriation of unremitted foreign earnings and regularly reviews its cash positions and determination of indefinite reinvestment of foreign earnings. If the Company determines that all or a portion of such foreign earnings are no longer indefinitely reinvested, the Company may be subject to additional foreign withholding taxes and U.S. state income taxes, beyond the one-time transition tax.

#### (8) Segment Information

The Company's businesses are grouped into five reportable segments for management and internal financial reporting purposes: Americas Retail, Americas Wholesale, Europe, Asia and Licensing. The Company's Americas Retail, Americas Wholesale, Europe and Licensing reportable segments are the same as their respective operating segments. Certain components of the Company's Asia operating segment are separate operating segments based on region, which have been aggregated into the Asia reportable segment for disclosure purposes.

Management evaluates segment performance based primarily on revenues and earnings (loss) from operations before corporate performance-based compensation costs, asset impairment charges, net gains (losses) on lease modifications, restructuring charges and certain non-recurring credits (charges), if any. The Company believes this segment reporting reflects how its business segments are managed and how each segment's performance is evaluated by the Company's chief operating decision maker to assess performance and make resource allocation decisions.

Net revenue and earnings (loss) from operations are summarized (in thousands):

	_	Three Months Ended			
		Apr 29, 2023		pr 30, 2022	
Net revenue:					
Americas Retail	\$	143,544	\$	166,485	
Americas Wholesale		51,393		68,357	
Europe		280,198		276,009	
Asia		70,775		56,222	
Licensing		23,888		26,400	
Total net revenue	\$	569,798	\$	593,473	
Earnings (loss) from operations:	_				
Americas Retail	\$	(3,287)	\$	14,266	
Americas Wholesale		13,093		17,397	
Europe		1,593		17,890	
Asia		3,830		(3,487)	
Licensing	_	22,295		24,444	
Total segment earnings from operations		37,524		70,510	
Corporate overhead		(36,512)		(33,192)	
Asset impairment charges <sup>1</sup>		(1,934)		(1,544)	
Net gains on lease modifications <sup>2</sup>		<u> </u>		601	
Total earnings (loss) from operations	\$	(922)	\$	36,375	

#### Notes:

The below presents information regarding geographic areas in which the Company operated. Net revenue is classified primarily based on the country where the Company's customer is located (in thousands):

		Three Months Ended				
	Ap	Apr 29, 2023		pr 29, 2023		pr 30, 2022
Net revenue:						
U.S.	\$	133,952	\$	169,127		
Italy		60,370		56,366		
South Korea		47,589		35,884		
Canada		32,574		40,578		
Germany		32,364		35,841		
Spain		29,236		30,113		
Other countries		209,825		199,164		
Total product sales		545,910		567,073		
Net royalties		23,888		26,400		
Net revenue	\$	569,798	\$	593,473		

Due to the seasonal nature of the Company's business segments, the above net revenue and operating results are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the full fiscal year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> During the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, the Company recognized asset impairment charges related primarily to property and equipment of certain retail locations resulting from under-performance and expected store closures. Refer to Note 15 for more information regarding these asset impairment charges.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> During the three months ended April 30, 2022, the Company recorded net gains on lease modifications related primarily to the early termination of certain lease agreements.

#### (9) Borrowings and Finance Lease Obligations

Borrowings and finance lease obligations are summarized (in thousands):

	Ap	Apr 29, 2023		n 28, 2023
Borrowings under credit facilities	\$	139,679	\$	70,304
Term loans		19,323		25,516
Finance lease obligations		18,922		19,865
Mortgage debt		17,017		17,189
Other		3,523		3,427
		198,464		136,301
Less current installments		39,092		40,380
Long-term debt and finance lease obligations	\$	159,372	\$	95,921

#### Term Loans

The Company entered into term loans with certain banks primarily in Europe during fiscal 2021. These loans are primarily unsecured, have remaining terms of approximately two years and incur interest at annual rates ranging between 1.3% to 5.2%. As of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, the Company had outstanding borrowings of \$19.3 million and \$25.5 million, respectively, under these borrowing arrangements.

#### Finance Lease Obligations

The Company leases its European distribution center in the Netherlands under a finance lease which primarily provides for monthly minimum lease payments through May 2027 with an effective interest rate of approximately 6%. The Company has also entered into finance leases for equipment used in its European distribution centers. These finance lease obligations totaled \$14.3 million and \$15.0 million as of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, respectively.

The Company also has smaller finance leases related primarily to computer hardware and software. As of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, these finance lease obligations totaled \$4.6 million and \$4.9 million, respectively.

#### Mortgage Debt

During fiscal 2017, the Company entered into a ten-year \$21.5 million real estate secured loan (the "Mortgage Debt") which is secured by the Company's U.S. distribution center based in Louisville, Kentucky. The Mortgage Debt requires the Company to comply with a fixed charge coverage ratio on a trailing four-quarter basis if consolidated cash, cash equivalents, short-term investment balances and availability under borrowing arrangements fall below certain levels. In addition, the Mortgage Debt contains customary covenants, including covenants that limit or restrict the Company's ability to incur liens on the mortgaged property and enter into certain contractual obligations. Upon the occurrence of an event of default under the Mortgage Debt, the lender may terminate the Mortgage Debt and declare all amounts outstanding to be immediately due and payable. The Mortgage Debt specifies a number of events of default (some of which are subject to applicable grace or cure periods), including, among other things, non-payment defaults, covenant defaults, cross-defaults to other material indebtedness, bankruptcy and insolvency defaults and material judgment defaults. Interest on the Mortgage Debt was payable at a variable rate based on LIBOR. In May 2023, the Company amended the terms of the Mortgage Debt for the interest rate to be based on SOFR effective May 1, 2023. The Company also amended its existing interest rate swap agreement, resulting in a swap fixed rate of approximately 3.14%.

#### Credit Facilities

#### Long-Term 2023 Credit Facility

During fiscal 2023, the Company amended and restated its senior secured asset-based revolving credit facility with Bank of America, N.A. and other lenders party thereto to extend the maturity date of the credit facility to December 20, 2027, among other changes (as amended, the "2023 Credit Facility"). In addition, the

Company entered into an amendment agreement to permit, among other things, the exchange and subscription offering on April 12, 2023. Pursuant to the amendment, the 2023 Credit Facility is subject to earlier maturity as of 60 days before the maturity date of the Company's 2024 Notes if satisfactory payment conditions have not been met during such 60 days period. The amendment retains the 2023 Credit Facility's existing provisions for earlier maturity as of 60 days before the maturity date of the Company's 2024 Notes if (1) such notes have not been refinanced or converted into equity by that date or (2) arrangements satisfactory to the Lenders for the refinancing or conversion of the 2024 Notes have not been made. The 2023 Credit Facility provides for a borrowing capacity in an amount up to \$150 million, including a Canadian sub-facility up to \$20 million, subject to a borrowing base. Based on applicable accounts receivable, inventory and eligible cash, subject to certain reserves, balances as of April 29, 2023, the Company could have borrowed up to \$128 million under the 2023 Credit Facility. The 2023 Credit Facility has an option to expand the borrowing capacity by up to \$150 million subject to certain terms and conditions, including the willingness of existing or new lenders to assume such increased amount. The 2023 Credit Facility is available for direct borrowings and the issuance of letters of credit, subject to certain letters of credit sublimits, and may be used for repayment of debt, working capital and other general corporate purposes. As of April 29, 2023, the Company had \$8.1 million in outstanding standby letters of credit, no outstanding documentary letters of credit and no outstanding borrowings under the 2023 Credit Facility.

Direct borrowings under the 2023 Credit Facility made by the Company and its domestic subsidiaries bear interest at the U.S. base rate plus an applicable margin (varying from 0.25% to 0.75%) or at Term SOFR plus a spread adjustment plus an applicable margin (varying from 1.25% to 1.75%), provided that Term SOFR may not be less than zero. The U.S. base rate is based on the greater of (i) the U.S. prime rate, (ii) the federal funds rate, plus 0.5%, and (iii) Term SOFR plus a spread adjustment for a 30-day interest period, plus 1.0%, provided that the U.S. base rate may not be less than zero. Direct borrowings under the 2023 Credit Facility made by the Company's Canadian subsidiaries bear interest at the Canadian prime rate plus an applicable margin (varying from 0.25% to 0.75%) or at the Canadian BA rate plus an applicable margin (varying from 1.25% to 1.75%), provided that the Canadian BA rate may not be less than zero. The Canadian rate is based on the greater of (i) the Canadian prime rate and (ii) the Canadian BA rate for a one-month interest period, plus 1.0%, provided that the Canadian prime rate may not be less than zero. The applicable margins are calculated quarterly and vary based on the average daily availability of the aggregate borrowing base. The Company is also obligated to pay certain commitment, letter of credit and other fees customary for a credit facility of this size and type.

The 2023 Credit Facility contains various annual sustainability key performance targets, the achievement of which would result in an adjustment to the interest margin ranging from a plus 5 basis points to a minus 5 basis points per year and the commitment fee ranging from a plus 1 basis point to a minus 1 basis point per year. The 2023 Credit Facility requires the Company to comply with a fixed charge coverage ratio on a trailing four-quarter basis if a default or an event of default occurs under the 2023 Credit Facility or availability under the 2023 Credit Facility falls below the greater of 10% of the aggregate borrowing base and \$12.5 million. In addition, the 2023 Credit Facility contains customary covenants, including covenants that limit or restrict the Company and certain of its subsidiaries' ability to: incur liens, incur indebtedness, make investments, dispose of assets, make certain restricted payments, merge or consolidate and enter into certain transactions with affiliates. Upon the occurrence of an event of default under the 2023 Credit Facility, the lenders may cease making loans, terminate the 2023 Credit Facility and declare all amounts outstanding to be immediately due and payable. The 2023 Credit Facility specifies a number of events of default (some of which are subject to applicable grace or cure periods), including, among other things, non-payment defaults, covenant defaults, cross-defaults to other material indebtedness, bankruptcy and insolvency defaults, and material judgment defaults. The 2023 Credit Facility allows for both secured and unsecured borrowings outside of the 2023 Credit Facility up to specified amounts.

#### Long-Term 2022 Credit Facility

During fiscal 2023, Guess Europe Sagl, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into a credit agreement (the "Credit Agreement") for a €250 million revolving credit facility (the "2022 Credit Facility") with an initial five-year term. The Company has an option to extend the maturity date by up to two years and an option to expand the 2022 Credit Facility by up to €100 million, subject to certain conditions. At closing, there were no direct borrowings under the 2022 Credit Facility. The Company terminated certain European short-term borrowing arrangements totaling €120 million with various banks in Europe concurrently with the closing of the Credit Agreement.

Borrowings under the 2022 Credit Facility bear interest based on the daily balance outstanding at the Euro Interbank Offered Rate (EURIBOR) plus an applicable margin (varying from 0.85% to 1.20%), provided that EURIBOR may not be less than 0.0%. The 2022 Credit Facility carries a commitment fee equal to the available but unused borrowing capacity multiplied by 35% of an applicable margin (varying from 0.85% to 1.20%). The Company is also required to pay a utilization fee on the total amount of the loans outstanding under the 2022 Credit Facility at rates varying from 0.10% to 0.20%, depending on the balance outstanding. The applicable margins are calculated quarterly and vary based on the leverage ratio of the guarantor and its subsidiaries as set forth in the Credit Agreement.

The Credit Agreement contains various annual sustainability key performance targets, the achievement of which would result in an adjustment to the interest margin ranging from a plus 5 basis points to a minus 5 basis points per year. The Credit Agreement includes a financial covenant requiring a maximum leverage ratio of the guarantor and its subsidiaries. In addition, the Credit Agreement includes customary representations and warranties, affirmative and negative covenants and events of default. As of April 29, 2023, the Company had \$121.2 million outstanding borrowings and \$154.3 million available for future borrowings under the 2022 Credit Facility. As of January 28, 2023, the Company had \$54.4 million outstanding borrowings and \$217.4 million available for future borrowings under the 2022 Credit Facility.

#### Other Credit Facilities

The Company, through its Chinese subsidiary, maintains a short-term uncommitted bank borrowing agreement that provides for a borrowing capacity up to \$30 million, primarily for working capital purposes. The Company had \$15.9 million and \$14.0 million in outstanding borrowings under this agreement as of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, respectively.

The Company, through its Japanese subsidiary, maintains a short-term uncommitted bank borrowing agreement that provides for a borrowing capacity up to ¥500 million (\$3.7 million), primarily for working capital purposes. The Company had \$2.6 million and \$1.9 million in outstanding borrowings under this agreement as of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, respectively.

From time-to-time, the Company will obtain other financing in foreign countries for working capital to finance its local operations.

#### (10) Convertible Senior Notes and Related Transactions

#### **Exchange and Subscription Agreements**

In April 2023, the Company issued \$275 million principal amount of the 2028 Notes in a private placement pursuant to separate, privately negotiated exchange and subscription agreements (the "Exchange and Subscription Agreements") with a limited number of holders of its 2024 Notes and certain other investors, in each case pursuant to exemptions from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Pursuant to the Exchange and Subscription Agreements, the Company exchanged approximately \$184.9 million in aggregate principal amount of its 2024 Notes for \$163.0 million in aggregate principal amount of new 2028 Notes and an aggregate of approximately \$33.3 million in cash, representing accrued and unpaid interest and other consideration on the 2024 Notes, and issued \$112.0 million aggregate principal amount of 2028 Notes for cash at par. Immediately following the closing of the aforementioned transactions, \$115.1 million in aggregate principal amount of the 2024 Notes remained outstanding. In addition, the Company concurrently repurchased

\$42.8 million, including excise tax, of its common stock through broker-assisted market transactions, pursuant to the Company's 2021 Share Repurchase Program.

The Company evaluated all exchanges and determined approximately 74% of the exchanged notes were accounted for as extinguishments of debt and approximately 26% were accounted for as modification of debt. As a result of these transactions, the Company recognized a \$7.7 million loss on extinguishment of debt.

#### 3.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2028

In connection with the issuance of the 2028 Notes, the Company entered into an indenture (the "2028 Indenture") with respect to the 2028 Notes with U.S. Bank Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (the "2028 Trustee"). The 2028 Notes are senior unsecured obligations of the Company and bear interest at an annual rate of 3.75% payable semi-annually in arrears on April 15 and October 15 of each year, beginning on October 15, 2023. The 2028 Notes will mature on April 15, 2028, unless earlier repurchased or converted in accordance with their terms.

The 2028 Notes are convertible in certain circumstances into cash, shares of the Company's common stock, or a combination of cash and shares of the Company's common stock, at the Company's election, at an initial conversion rate of 40.4858 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of 2028 Notes, which is equivalent to an initial conversion price of approximately \$24.70 per share, subject to adjustment upon the occurrence of certain events. The 2028 Indenture requires an adjustment to the conversion rate and the conversion price of the 2028 Notes for quarterly dividends exceeding \$0.225 per share. Prior to November 15, 2027, the 2028 Notes are convertible only upon the occurrence of certain events and during certain periods, and thereafter, at any time until the close of business on the second scheduled trading day immediately preceding the maturity date of the 2028 Notes.

Following certain corporate events described in the 2028 Indenture that occur prior to the maturity date, the conversion rate will be increased for a holder who elects to convert its 2028 Notes in connection with such corporate event in certain circumstances. The 2028 Notes are not redeemable prior to maturity, and no sinking fund is provided for the 2028 Notes. As of April 29, 2023, none of the conditions allowing holders of the 2028 Notes to convert had been met. The Company expects to settle the principal amount of the 2028 Notes in fiscal 2029 in cash and any excess in shares.

The Company incurred approximately \$6.0 million of debt issuance costs related to the 2028 Notes including third-party offering costs. Debt issuance costs were recorded as a contra-liability (other than \$0.5 million expensed related to 2024 Notes that were subject to modification accounting) and are presented net against the 2028 Notes balance on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. These costs are being amortized to interest expense over the term of the 2028 Notes.

#### 2.00% Convertible Senior Notes due 2024

In April 2019, the Company issued \$300 million principal amount of the 2024 Notes in a private offering. In connection with the issuance of the 2024 Notes, the Company entered into an indenture (the "2024 Indenture") with respect to the Notes with U.S. Bank N.A., as trustee (the "2024 Trustee"). The Notes are senior unsecured obligations of the Company and bear interest at an annual rate of 2.00% payable semi-annually in arrears on April 15 and October 15 of each year. The Company incurred \$5.3 million debt issuance costs, which was comprised of \$3.8 million of discounts and commissions payable to the initial purchasers and third-party offering costs of approximately \$1.5 million. These costs have been amortized to interest expense over the term of the 2024 Notes. As previously noted, \$115.1 million of the 2024 Notes remains outstanding and will mature on April 15, 2024, unless earlier repurchased or converted in accordance with their terms.

The 2024 Notes are convertible in certain circumstances into cash, shares of the Company's common stock, or a combination of cash and shares of the Company's common stock, at the Company's election, at an initial conversion rate of 38.7879 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of 2024 Notes, which is equivalent to an initial conversion price of approximately \$25.78 per share, subject to adjustment upon the occurrence of certain events. In accordance with the terms of the 2024 Indenture, the Company has adjusted

the conversion rate and the conversion price of the 2024 Notes for quarterly dividends exceeding \$0.1125 per share (the conversion price is currently approximately \$24.92 per share). Prior to November 15, 2023, the 2024 Notes are convertible only upon the occurrence of certain events and during certain periods, and thereafter, at any time until the close of business on the second scheduled trading day immediately preceding the maturity date of the 2024 Notes. Following certain corporate events described in the 2024 Indenture that occur prior to such maturity date, the conversion rate will be adjusted under certain circumstances. The 2024 Notes are not redeemable prior to maturity, and no sinking fund is provided for the 2024 Notes. As of April 29, 2023, none of the conditions allowing holders of the 2024 Notes to convert had been met. The Company expects to settle the principal amount of the 2024 Notes in fiscal 2025 in cash and any excess in shares.

During the three months ended April 29, 2023, the Company recorded total interest expense of \$1.7 million, which consisted of coupon interest expense of \$1.5 million and the amortization of debt discount and issuance costs of \$0.2 million, related to the Notes. During the three months ended April 30, 2022, the Company recorded total interest expense of \$1.7 million, which consisted of coupon interest expense of \$1.5 million and \$0.2 million amortization of debt issuance costs, related to the 2024 Notes.

The Notes consist of the following (in thousands):

	Apr 29, 2023		J	Jan 28, 2023
2028 Notes				
Principal	\$	275,000	\$	
Unamortized debt discount and issuance costs <sup>1</sup>		(9,406)		_
Net carrying amount	\$	265,594	\$	
Fair value, net <sup>2</sup>	\$	268,127	\$	
2024 Notes				
Principal	\$	115,144	\$	300,000
Unamortized debt issuance costs		(332)		(1,069)
Net carrying amount	\$	114,812	\$	298,931
Fair value, net <sup>2</sup>	\$	118,226	\$	331,862

#### Notes:

#### Convertible Bond Hedge and Warrant Transactions

In April 2023, in connection with the offering of the 2028 Notes, the Company entered into convertible note hedge transactions whereby the Company had the option to purchase a total of approximately 11.1 million shares of its common stock at an initial strike price of approximately \$24.70 per share. The total cost of the convertible note hedge transactions was \$51.8 million. In addition, the Company sold warrants whereby the holders of the warrants had the option to purchase a total of approximately 11.1 million shares of the Company's common stock at an initial strike price of \$41.80 per share. The Company received \$20.2 million in cash proceeds from the sale of these warrants. Both the number of shares underlying the convertible note hedges and warrants and the strike price of the instruments are subject to customary adjustments. The purchase of the convertible note hedges is intended to offset dilution from the conversion of the 2028 Notes to the extent the market price per share of the Company's common stock exceeds the then-applicable strike price of the

The unamortized debt discount related to the 2028 Notes is due to the result of the modification accounting for a portion of the exchanged notes. This discount represents both an increase in the fair value of the embedded conversion option, which is calculated as the difference between the fair value of the embedded conversion option immediately before and after the exchange, and cash paid to modified noteholders. The change in conversion option value reduces the carrying amount of the convertible debt instrument with a corresponding increase in additional paid-in capital. The additional cash paid to modified noteholders increased the debt discount. This debt discount is being amortized to interest expense over five years.

<sup>2</sup> The fair value of the Notes is determined based on inputs that are observable in the market and have been classified as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.

convertible note hedges. The warrant transaction may have a dilutive effect with respect to the Company's common stock to the extent the market price per share of the Company's common stock exceeds the then-applicable strike price of the warrants. The convertible note hedges and warrants are recorded in stockholders' equity, are not accounted for as derivatives and are not remeasured each reporting period.

Concurrently, in connection with the retirement of \$184.9 million in principal amount of the 2024 Notes, the Company entered into Partial Termination Agreements with certain financial institutions to unwind a portion of the convertible note hedge transactions and warrant transactions the Company had entered into in connection with the issuance of the 2024 Notes. The terminated portion is in a notional amount corresponding to the amount of exchanged 2024 Notes. As a result, the Company received \$7.2 million, which reduced the number of purchase options to approximately 4.6 million shares of common stock at an adjusted strike price of approximately \$24.92 per share. Additionally, the Company paid \$1.0 million related to terminated warrants, which reduced the number of shares that may be purchased pursuant to the warrants to 4.6 million shares of common stock at an adjusted strike price of approximately \$45.31 per share. This transaction resulted in a \$6.2 million net increase in additional paid-in capital in the Company's consolidated balance sheet as of April 29, 2023. For the remaining portion of the convertible note hedge transactions and warrant transactions entered into in connection with the 2024 Notes, both the number of shares underlying the instruments and the strike price of the instruments are subject to customary adjustments pursuant to their original terms. In accordance with the original terms of the convertible note hedge confirmations and warrant confirmations, respectively, the Company has adjusted the strike prices with respect to the convertible note hedges and warrants for quarterly dividends exceeding \$0.1125 per share (currently approximately \$24.92 per share and \$45.31 per share, respectively). The remaining convertible note hedges and warrant transactions continue to serve to partially offset the potential dilution arising from the conversion of the 2024 Notes that remain outstanding.

#### (11) Share-Based Compensation

The following summarizes the share-based compensation expense recognized under all of the Company's stock plans (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended			
	Apr	29, 2023	Ap	r 30, 2022
Stock options	\$	506	\$	600
Stock awards/units		4,065		3,372
Employee Stock Purchase Plan		49		80
Total share-based compensation expense	\$	4,620	\$	4,052

Unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested stock options and nonvested stock awards/units totaled approximately \$0.2 million and \$27.2 million, respectively, as of April 29, 2023. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.8 years.

#### **Annual Grants**

On March 22, 2023, the Company made an annual grant of 548,100 nonvested stock awards/units to its employees.

#### Performance-Based Awards

The Company has granted certain nonvested stock units subject to performance-based vesting conditions to select executive officers. Each award of nonvested stock units generally has an initial vesting period from the date of the grant through either (i) the end of the first fiscal year or (ii) the first anniversary of the date of grant, followed by annual vesting periods which may range from two-to-three years.

The following summarizes the activity for nonvested performance-based units during the three months ended April 29, 2023:

	Number of Units	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Nonvested at January 28, 2023	612,627	\$ 20.14
Granted	_	_
Vested	(278,757)	18.25
Forfeited	(184,365)	20.34
Nonvested at April 29, 2023	149,505	\$ 23.41

#### Market-Based Awards

The Company has granted certain nonvested stock units subject to market-based vesting conditions to select executive officers. These market-based awards include (i) units where the number of shares that may ultimately vest will equal 0% to 150% of the target number of shares, subject to the performance of the Company's total stockholder return ("TSR") relative to the TSR of a select group of peer companies over a three-year period and (ii) units scheduled to vest based on the attainment of certain absolute stock price levels over a four-year period. Vesting is also subject to continued service requirements through the vesting date.

The following summarizes the activity for nonvested market-based units during the three months ended April 29, 2023:

	Number of Units	nted Average nt Date Fair Value
Nonvested at January 28, 2023	946,787	\$ 14.75
$Granted^1$	145,003	6.38
Vested <sup>1</sup>	(505,494)	6.38
Forfeited	_	_
Nonvested at April 29, 2023	586,296	\$ 19.89

#### Notes:

#### (12) Related Party Transactions

The Company and its subsidiaries periodically enter into transactions with other entities or individuals that are considered related parties, including certain transactions with entities owned by, affiliated with, or for the respective benefit of, Paul Marciano, who is an executive and member of the Board of the Company, and Maurice Marciano, who is also a member of the Board, and certain of their children (the "Marciano Entities").

#### Leases

The Company leases warehouse and administrative facilities, including the Company's North American corporate headquarters in Los Angeles, California, from partnerships affiliated with the Marciano Entities and certain of their affiliates. There were four of these leases in effect as of April 29, 2023 with expiration or option exercise dates ranging from calendar years 2023 to 2030.

Aggregate lease costs recorded under these four related party leases were approximately \$2.3 million for each of the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022. The Company believes that the terms of the related party leases are no less favorable to the Company than would have been available from unaffiliated third parties. Refer to Note 2 for more information on lease commitments.

As a result of the achievement of certain market-based vesting conditions, there were 145,003 shares that vested in addition to the original target number of shares granted in fiscal 2021.

#### Aircraft Arrangements

The Company periodically charters aircraft owned by the Marciano Entities through informal arrangements with the Marciano Entities and independent third-party management companies contracted by such Marciano Entities to manage their aircraft. The Company believes that the terms of the charter arrangements are no less favorable to the Company than would have been available from unaffiliated third parties. The total fees paid under these arrangements for the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022 were approximately \$1.1 million and \$0.6 million, respectively.

#### Minority Investment

The Company owns a 30% interest in a privately held men's footwear company (the "Footwear Company") in which the Marciano Entities own a 45% interest. In December 2020, the Company provided the Footwear Company with a revolving credit facility for \$2.0 million, which provides for an annual interest rate of 2.75% and matures in November 2023. As of both April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, the Company had a note receivable of \$0.4 million included in other assets in its condensed consolidated balance sheets related to outstanding borrowings by the Footwear Company under this revolving credit facility.

In May 2022, the Company entered into a Fulfillment Services Agreement with the Footwear Company under which the Company will provide certain fulfillment services for the Footwear Company's U.S. wholesale and e-commerce businesses from the Company's U.S distribution center on a cost-plus 5% basis. The Footwear Company also pays rent to the Company for the use of a small office space in the Company's U.S. headquarters. In June 2022, the Company (through a wholly-owned Swiss subsidiary) entered into a Distributorship Agreement with the Footwear Company under which the Company was designated as the exclusive distributor (excluding e-commerce) for the Footwear Company in the European Union and other specified countries. The Distributorship Agreement provided for (i) the Company to receive a 35% discount from the Footwear Company's wholesale prices, (ii) no minimum sales requirements or advertising spending requirements for the Company, (iii) an initial 15 month term with annual renewals thereafter and (iv) other standard terms and conditions for similar arrangements. In May 2023, the Distributorship Agreement was amended to (i) reflect a reduction in the amount of sales services to be performed by the Company, (ii) revise the wholesale discount to 22% and (iii) provide an annual 2% advertising commitment by the Company. During the three months ended April 29, 2023, there were less than \$5,000 in fees received with respect to the U.S. fulfillment services, approximately \$4,000 in fees received with respect to office rent and less than \$5,000 in amounts paid related to the distributorship arrangements.

#### Vendor Purchases

The Company purchases faux fur products from a privately-held fashion accessories company (the "Fashion Company"). Mr. Maurice Marciano, Mr. Paul Marciano and Mr. Carlos Alberini own on a combined basis 20% of the outstanding common equity interests in the Fashion Company (with the Marcianos jointly owning 16% and Mr. Alberini owning 4%). The total payments made by the Company to the Fashion Company were approximately \$0.3 million and \$1.2 million for the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, respectively. The Company believes that the price paid by the Company for the Fashion Company's products and the terms of the transactions between the Company and the Fashion Company have not been affected by this passive investment of Messrs. Marcianos and Mr. Alberini in the Fashion Company.

#### Vendor Collaboration

During April 2023, the Company entered into a co-branding collaboration arrangement in connection with a large-scale music festival with a privately-held alcoholic beverage company (the "Beverage Company") in which the Marciano Entities hold an approximately 15% ownership interest. The co-branding arrangement provided for (i) the Beverage Company to pay a \$100,000 fee, provide certain beverage products, facilitate the acquisition of additional third-party sponsors for the event and co-brand its social media posts with the Company and (ii) the Company to engage social-media influencers to attend the event and promote both companies through social-media posts, and provide promotional travel, lodging, hospitality and other ancillary expenses for select attendees at the co-branded event.

#### (13) Commitments and Contingencies

**Investment Commitments** 

As of April 29, 2023, the Company had an unfunded commitment to invest €10.9 million (\$12.0 million) in a private equity fund. Refer to Note 15 for further information.

Legal and Other Proceedings

The Company is involved in legal proceedings, arising both in the ordinary course of business and otherwise, including the proceedings described below as well as various other claims and other matters incidental to the Company's business. Unless otherwise stated, the resolution of any particular proceeding is not currently expected to have a material adverse impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows. Even if such an impact could be material, the Company may not be able to estimate the reasonably possible loss or range of loss until developments in the proceedings have provided sufficient information to support an assessment.

The Company has received customs tax assessment notices from the Italian Customs Agency ("ICA") regarding its customs tax audit of one of the Company's European subsidiaries for the period from July 2010 through December 2012. Such assessments totaled €9.8 million (\$10.8 million), including potential penalties and interest. The Company strongly disagreed with the ICA's positions and therefore filed appeals with the Milan First Degree Tax Court ("MFDTC"). Those appeals were split into a number of different cases that were then heard by different sections of the MFDTC. The MFDTC ruled in favor of the Company on all of these appeals. The ICA subsequently appealed €9.7 million (\$10.7 million) of these favorable MFDTC judgments with the Appeals Court. To date, €8.5 million (\$9.4 million) have been decided in favor of the Company and €1.2 million (\$1.3 million) have been decided in favor of the ICA. The Company believes that the unfavorable Appeals Court ruling is incorrect and inconsistent with the prior rulings on similar matters by both the MFDTC and other judges within the Appeals Court, and has appealed the decision to the Supreme Court. The ICA has appealed most of the favorable Appeals Court rulings to the Supreme Court. To date, of the cases that have been appealed to the Supreme Court, €0.4 million (\$0.4 million) have been decided in favor of the Company based on the merits of the case and €1.1 million (\$1.2 million) have been remanded back to the lower court for further consideration. There can be no assurances the Company will be successful in the remaining appeals. It also continues to be possible that the Company will receive similar or even larger assessments for periods subsequent to December 2012 or other claims or charges related to the matter in the future. Although the Company believes that it has a strong position and will continue to vigorously defend this matter, it is unable to predict with certainty whether or not these efforts will ultimately be successful or whether the outcome will have a material impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

On January 11, 2022, Legion Partners Holdings, LLC ("Legion"), a stockholder of Guess common stock, sent two letters to the Board of Directors of Guess (the "Board"). One letter sought books and records pursuant to Section 220 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "220 Demand") to purportedly investigate potential breaches of fiduciary duties by the Board in connection with the Board's renomination of Mr. Maurice Marciano to the Board and certain related party transactions. The second letter demanded that the Board take action to cause the Company to investigate and commence legal proceedings for breach of fiduciary duty claims the Company may have in connection with alleged misconduct of Mr. Paul Marciano, the Board's oversight of and response to such alleged misconduct, and the Board's review and approval of certain related-party transactions (the "Litigation Demand"). On January 31, 2022, the Company responded to both letters informing Legion that the Company was reviewing the formation of a committee in response to the Litigation Demand and detailing the deficiencies with the 220 Demand under Delaware law, including that Legion failed to state a proper purpose and that the scope of Legion's requested books and records was overbroad. The Company subsequently formed a Demand Review Committee (the "DRC"), which is engaged in an ongoing review of the matters detailed in the Litigation Demand.

On April 14, 2022, the Employees Retirement System of Rhode Island ("ERSRI"), a stockholder of Guess common stock, sent a letter to the Company seeking books and records pursuant to Section 220 of the

Delaware General Corporation Law to purportedly investigate potential breaches of fiduciary duties by the Board in connection with alleged misconduct of Mr. Paul Marciano, the Board's oversight of and response to such alleged misconduct, and the Board's review and approval of certain related-party transactions. The Company responded to the letter on April 19, 2022, negotiated a Confidentiality Agreement, and has completed its production of books and records to ERSRI.

On September 19, 2022, ERSRI filed a stockholder derivative lawsuit styled Employees Retirement System of Rhode Island, derivatively on behalf of Guess?, Inc. v. Paul Marciano, et al., in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware against the Company, as the nominal defendant, Mr. Paul Marciano and other members of the Board, alleging breach of fiduciary duties relating to the continued service of Mr. Paul Marciano as a director of the Board and as the Company's Chief Creative Officer following prior allegations of improper conduct by him relating to the treatment of models and other women. ERSRI did not make a demand on the Board before instituting the lawsuit and alleges such demand would have been futile. On October 28, 2022, ERSRI amended the complaint to include an additional basis for alleging demand futility. ERSRI seeks monetary damages and possible injunctive relief.

On February 16, 2023, Legion filed a stockholder derivative lawsuit styled Legion Partners Holdings, LLC, derivatively on behalf of Guess?, Inc. v. Paul Marciano, et al. in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware against the Company, as the nominal defendant, Mr. Paul Marciano and other members of the Board, alleging breach of fiduciary duties relating to the continued service of Mr. Paul Marciano to the Company following the prior allegations described in the ERSRI stockholder derivative lawsuit. Legion seeks monetary damages and possible injunctive relief. On March 15, 2023, the Company moved for a more definite statement and moved to dismiss or stay the action. On May 9, 2023, Legion voluntarily dismissed the claims against Mr. Paul Marciano without prejudice.

#### Redeemable Noncontrollina Interests

The Company is party to a put arrangement with respect to the common securities that represent the remaining noncontrolling interest for its majority-owned subsidiary, Guess Brasil Comércio e Distribuição S.A. ("Guess Brazil"). The put arrangement for Guess Brazil, representing 40% of the total outstanding equity interest of that subsidiary, may be exercised at the discretion of the noncontrolling interest holder by providing written notice to the Company every third anniversary beginning in March 2019, subject to certain time restrictions. The redemption value of the Guess Brazil put arrangement is based on a multiple of Guess Brazil's earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization subject to certain adjustments and is classified as a redeemable noncontrolling interest outside of permanent equity in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet. The carrying value of the redeemable noncontrolling interest related to Guess Brazil was \$0.5 million as of both April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023.

The Company (through a wholly-owned European subsidiary) is also party to a put arrangement with respect to the securities that represent the remaining noncontrolling interest for its majority-owned Russian subsidiary, Guess? CIS, LLC ("Guess CIS"), which was established through a majority-owned joint venture during fiscal 2016. The put arrangement for Guess CIS (the "Put Option"), representing 30% of the total outstanding equity interest of that subsidiary, may be exercised at the sole discretion of the noncontrolling interest holder (the "Minority Holder") by providing written notice to the Company through December 31, 2025. The redemption value of the Put Option is based on a multiple of Guess CIS's earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization subject to certain adjustments and is classified as a redeemable noncontrolling interest outside of permanent equity in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet. The carrying value of the redeemable noncontrolling interest related to Guess CIS was €8.0 million as of both April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023.

In November 2022, the Minority Holder exercised the Put Option, triggering a contractual obligation for the Company to purchase the Minority Holder's 30% interest in Guess CIS. Following a comprehensive review of the various economic sanctions imposed by the United States and European governments with respect to Russia, and obtaining guidance from the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control,

the Company determined that its acquisition of the Minority Holder's 30% interest in Guess CIS pursuant to the Company's presanctions contractual obligation to fulfill the Minority Holder's exercise of the Put Option is not prohibited by current economic sanctions, including the U.S. ban on new investment in Russia. As such, following the exercise of the Put Option by the Minority Holder, the Company and the Minority Holder entered into an agreement to proceed with the Company's acquisition of the Minority Holder's 30% interest in Guess CIS for a purchase price of €8.0 million, subject to the formal approval of the acquisition by the relevant Russian government commission and certain other customary conditions. This formal approval was received, and the purchase was completed, in May 2023.

The Company's European subsidiary, Guess Europe SAGL has also counter guaranteed up to \$900,000 of Guess CIS's obligations under its local Russian guarantee line, as required by certain lease agreements.

The redeemable noncontrolling interests of the Guess Brazil and Guess CIS put arrangements are recorded at the greater of their carrying values, adjusted for their share of the allocation of income or loss, dividends and foreign currency translation adjustments, or redemption values. During the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, the Company had no redeemable noncontrolling interest redemption value adjustment.

A reconciliation of the total carrying amount of redeemable noncontrolling interests is (in thousands):

	Three 1	Months Ended
	Apr 29, 2023	Apr 30, 2022
Beginning balance	\$ 9,1	\$ 9,500
Foreign currency translation adjustment	1	354
Ending balance	\$ 9,3	\$ 9,854

#### (14) Defined Benefit Plans

Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan

The Company's Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan ("SERP") provides select employees who satisfy certain eligibility requirements with certain benefits upon retirement, termination of employment, death, disability or a change in control of the Company, in certain prescribed circumstances. As a non-qualified pension plan, no dedicated funding of the SERP is required; however, the Company has made periodic payments into insurance policies held in a rabbi trust to fund the expected obligations arising under the non-qualified SERP. The cash surrender values of the insurance policies were \$64.0 million and \$64.4 million as of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, respectively, and were included in other assets in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. As a result of changes in the value of the insurance policy investments, the Company recorded unrealized gains of \$0.1 million and unrealized losses of \$3.3 million in other income (expense) during the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, respectively. The projected benefit obligation was \$42.3 million and \$42.4 million as of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, respectively, and was included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities and other long-term liabilities in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets depending on the expected timing of payments. SERP benefit payments of \$0.5 million were made during each of the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022.

#### Foreign Pension Plans

In certain foreign jurisdictions, primarily in Switzerland, the Company is required to guarantee the returns on Company-sponsored defined contribution plans in accordance with local regulations. The Company's contributions must be made in an amount at least equal to the employee's contribution. Minimum employee contributions are based on the respective employee's age, salary and gender.

As of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, the foreign pension plans had a total projected benefit obligation of \$49.5 million and \$47.4 million, respectively, and plan assets held in independent investment fiduciaries of \$43.0 million and \$41.2 million, respectively. The net liability of \$6.4 million and \$6.2 million was included in other long-term liabilities in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets as of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, respectively.

The components of net periodic defined benefit pension cost related to the Company's defined benefit plans are (in thousands):

	Foreign Pension SERP Plans To					
	 Three I	Months Ended April	29, 2023			
Service cost	\$ _	\$ 913	\$ 913			
Interest cost	465	224	689			
Expected return on plan assets	_	(199)	(199)			
Net amortization of unrecognized prior service credit	_	(39)	(39)			
Net amortization of actuarial losses	_	62	62			
Net periodic defined benefit pension cost	\$ 465	\$ 961	\$ 1,426			
	 Three I	Months Ended April	30, 2022			
Service cost	\$ _	\$ 775	<b>\$</b> 775			
Interest cost	333	57	390			
Expected return on plan assets	_	(70)	(70)			
Net amortization of unrecognized prior service credit		(23)	(23)			
Net amortization of actuarial losses	 17	13	30			
Net periodic defined benefit pension cost	\$ 350	\$ 752	\$ 1,102			

#### (15) Fair Value Measurements

Authoritative guidance defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The guidance establishes a fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value into three broad levels as follows:

Level 1—Inputs are unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that can be accessed at the measurement date.

Level 2—Inputs include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability (i.e. interest rates, yield curves, etc.) and inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means (market corroborated inputs).

Level 3—Unobservable inputs that reflect assumptions about what market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. These inputs are based on the best information available, including the Company's own data.

The following presents the fair value hierarchy for those assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis (in thousands):

Fair Value Measurements at Apr 29, 2023				Fair Value Measurements at Jan 28, 2023											
Recurring Fair Value Measures	Le	vel 1	1	Level 2	Ι	Level 3	Total	I	Level 1	]	Level 2	L	evel 3		Total
Assets:															
Foreign exchange currency contracts	\$	_	\$	667	\$	_	\$ 667	\$	_	\$	2,219	\$	_	\$	2,219
Interest rate swap		_		922		_	922		_		1,034		_		1,034
Total	\$	_	\$	1,589	\$		\$ 1,589	\$		\$	3,253	\$		\$	3,253
Liabilities:															
Foreign exchange currency contracts	\$	_	\$	15,996	\$	_	\$ 15,996	\$	_	\$	16,704	\$	_	\$	16,704
Interest rate swap		_		_		_	_		_		_		_		_
Deferred compensation obligations		_		15,308		_	15,308		_		15,187		_		15,187
Total	\$		\$	31,304	\$		\$ 31,304	\$		\$	31,891	\$		\$	31,891

Foreign exchange currency contracts may be entered into by the Company to hedge the future payment of inventory and intercompany transactions by non-U.S. subsidiaries. Periodically, the Company may also use foreign exchange currency contracts to hedge the translation and economic exposures related to its net investments in certain of its international subsidiaries. The fair values of the Company's foreign exchange currency contracts are based on quoted foreign exchange forward rates at the reporting date. The fair values of the Company's interest rate swaps are based upon inputs corroborated by observable market data. Deferred compensation obligations to employees are adjusted based on changes in the fair value of the underlying employee-directed investments. Fair value of these obligations is based upon inputs corroborated by observable market data.

The Company included €3.7 million (\$4.1 million) and €3.7 million (\$4.0 million) in other assets in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets related to its investment in a private equity fund as of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, respectively. The Company uses net asset value per share as a practical expedient to measure the fair value of this investment and has not included this investment in the fair value hierarchy as disclosed above. As of April 29, 2023, the Company had an unfunded commitment to invest an additional €10.9 million (\$12.0 million) in the private equity fund.

The fair values of the Company's debt instruments (see Note 9) are based on the amount of future cash flows associated with each instrument discounted using the Company's incremental borrowing rate. As of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, the carrying value was not materially different from fair value, as the interest rates on the Company's debt approximated rates currently available to the Company. The fair value of the Company's Notes (see Note 10) is determined based on inputs that are observable in the market and have been classified as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.

The carrying amount of the Company's remaining financial instruments, which principally include cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables, accounts payable and accrued expenses, approximates fair value due to the relatively short maturity of such instruments.

#### Long-Lived Assets

Long-lived assets, such as property and equipment and operating lease ROU assets, are reviewed for impairment quarterly or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. The majority of the Company's long-lived assets relate to its retail operations, which consist primarily of regular retail and flagship locations. The Company considers each individual regular retail location as an asset group for impairment testing, which is the lowest level at which individual cash flows can be identified. The Company also evaluates impairment risk for retail locations that are expected to be closed in the foreseeable future. The Company has flagship locations that are used as a regional marketing tool to build brand awareness and promote the Company's current product. Provided the flagship locations continue

to meet the appropriate criteria, impairment for these locations is tested at a reporting unit level similar to goodwill since they do not have separately identifiable cash flows.

An asset is considered to be impaired if the Company determines that the carrying value may not be recoverable based upon its assessment of the asset's ability to continue to generate earnings from operations and positive cash flow in future periods or if significant changes in the Company's strategic business objectives and utilization of the assets occurred. If the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its estimated undiscounted future cash flows adjusted for lease payments, an impairment charge is recognized in the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the estimated fair value. The Company uses estimates of market participant rents to calculate fair value of ROU assets and discounted future cash flows of the asset group to quantify fair value for other long-lived assets. These nonrecurring fair value measurements are considered Level 3 inputs as defined above.

The impairment loss calculations require management to apply judgment in estimating future cash flows and the discount rates that reflect the risk inherent in future cash flows. Future expected cash flows for assets in regular retail locations are based on management's estimates of future cash flows over the remaining lease period or expected life, if shorter. For expected location closures, the Company will evaluate whether it is necessary to shorten the useful life for any of the assets within the respective asset group. The Company will use this revised useful life when estimating the asset group's future cash flows. The Company considers historical trends, expected future business trends and other factors when estimating the future cash flow for each regular retail location. The Company also considers factors such as the following: the Russia-Ukraine conflict, including the sanctions and trade restrictions imposed on Russia in response to the conflict; the local environment for each regular retail location, including mall traffic and competition; the Company's ability to successfully implement strategic initiatives; and the ability to control variable costs such as cost of sales and payroll and, in some cases, renegotiate lease costs.

As discussed further in Note 1, macroeconomic conditions, including rising inflation, higher interest rates, foreign exchange rate fluctuations, declines in consumer spending and the impact of the ongoing conflict in Ukraine and public health crises continued to negatively impact the Company's financial results during the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, and could continue to impact the Company's operations in ways the Company is not able to predict today. The Company has made reasonable assumptions and judgments to determine the fair value of the assets tested based on the facts and circumstances that were available as of the reporting date. If actual results are not consistent with the assumptions and judgments used in estimating future cash flows and asset fair values, there may be additional exposure to future impairment losses that could be material to the Company's results of operations.

The Company recorded asset impairment charges of \$1.9 million during the three months ended April 29, 2023. The Company recorded asset impairment charges of \$1.5 million during the three months ended April 30, 2022. The Company recognized \$1.9 million in impairment of property and equipment related to certain retail locations primarily in Europe and the Americas driven by under-performance and expected store closures during the three months ended April 29, 2023. The Company recognized \$1.5 million in impairment of property and equipment related to certain retail locations primarily in Europe and Asia during the three months ended April 30, 2022. The Company recognized no impairment charges on ROU assets during the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022.

#### Goodwill

Goodwill is tested annually for impairment or more frequently if events and circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. An impairment loss is recognized to the extent that the carrying amount exceeds the asset's fair value. This determination is made at the reporting unit level which may be either an operating segment or one level below an operating segment if discrete financial information is available. Two or more reporting units within an operating segment may be aggregated for impairment testing if they have similar economic characteristics.

During the three months ended April 29, 2023, the Company assessed qualitative factors and determined that it is not more likely than not that the fair values of its reporting units are less than their carrying amounts.

#### (16) Derivative Financial Instruments

Hedging Strategy

Foreign Exchange Currency Contracts

The Company operates in foreign countries, which exposes it to market risk associated with foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations. The Company has entered into certain forward contracts to hedge the risk of foreign currency rate fluctuations. The Company has elected to apply the hedge accounting rules in accordance with authoritative guidance for certain of these hedges.

The Company's primary objective is to hedge the variability in forecasted cash flows due to the foreign currency risk. Various transactions that occur primarily in Europe, Canada, South Korea, China, Hong Kong and Mexico are denominated in U.S. dollars, British pounds and Russian roubles and thus are exposed to earnings risk as a result of exchange rate fluctuations when converted to their functional currencies. These types of transactions include U.S. dollar-denominated purchases of merchandise and U.S. dollar- and British pound-denominated intercompany liabilities. In addition, certain operating expenses, tax liabilities and pension-related liabilities are denominated in Swiss francs and are exposed to earnings risk as a result of exchange rate fluctuations when converted to the functional currency. Further, there are certain real estate leases that are denominated in a currency other than the functional currency of the respective entity that entered into the agreement (primarily Swiss francs, Russian roubles and Polish zloty). As a result, the Company may be exposed to volatility related to unrealized gains or losses on the translation of present value of future lease payment obligations when translated at the exchange rate as of a reporting period-end. The Company enters into derivative financial instruments, including forward exchange currency contracts, to offset some, but not all, of the exchange risk on certain of these anticipated foreign currency transactions.

Periodically, the Company may also use foreign exchange currency contracts to hedge the translation and economic exposures related to its net investments in certain of its international subsidiaries.

*Interest Rate Swap Agreements* 

The Company is exposed to interest rate risk on its floating-rate debt. The Company has entered into interest rate swap agreements for certain of these agreements to effectively convert its floating-rate debt to a fixed-rate basis. The principal objective of these contracts is to eliminate or reduce the variability of the cash flows in interest payments associated with the Company's floating-rate debt, thus reducing the impact of interest rate changes on future interest payment cash flows. The Company has elected to apply the hedge accounting rules in accordance with authoritative guidance for certain of these contracts. Refer to Note 9 for further information.

The impact of the credit risk of the counterparties to the derivative contracts is considered in determining the fair value of the foreign exchange currency contracts and interest rate swap agreements. As of April 29, 2023, credit risk has not had a significant effect on the fair value of the Company's foreign exchange currency contracts and interest rate swap agreements.

Hedge Accounting Policy

Foreign Exchange Currency Contracts

U.S. dollar forward contracts are used to hedge forecasted merchandise purchases over specific months. Changes in the fair value of these U.S. dollar forward contracts, designated as cash flow hedges, are recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) within stockholders' equity and are recognized in cost of product sales in the period that approximates the time the hedged merchandise inventory is sold.

The Company has also used U.S. dollar forward contracts to hedge the net investments of certain of the Company's international subsidiaries over specific months. Changes in the fair value of these U.S. dollar

forward contracts, designated as net investment hedges, are recorded in foreign currency translation adjustment as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) within stockholders' equity and are not recognized in earnings (loss) until the sale or liquidation of the hedged net investment.

The Company also has foreign exchange currency contracts that are not designated as hedging instruments for accounting purposes. Changes in fair value of foreign exchange currency contracts not designated as hedging instruments are reported in net earnings (loss) as part of other income (expense).

#### **Interest Rate Swap Agreements**

Interest rate swap agreements are used to hedge the variability of the cash flows in interest payments associated with the Company's floating-rate debt. Changes in the fair value of interest rate swap agreements designated as cash flow hedges are recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) within stockholders' equity and are amortized to interest expense over the term of the related debt.

Periodically, the Company may also enter into interest rate swap agreements that are not designated as hedging instruments for accounting purposes. Changes in the fair value of interest rate swap agreements not designated as hedging instruments are reported in net earnings (loss) as part of other income (expense).

#### Summary of Derivative Instruments

The fair value of derivative instruments in the condensed consolidated balance sheets is (in thousands):

	Fair Value at F Apr 29, 2023		alue at Jan B, 2023	Derivative Balance Sheet Location
ASSETS:				
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments:				
Cash flow hedges:				
Foreign exchange currency contracts	\$ 310	\$	1,073	Other current assets
Interest rate swap	 922		1,034	Other assets
Total derivatives designated as hedging instruments	1,232		2,107	
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:				
Foreign exchange currency contracts	 357		1,146	Other current assets
Total	\$ 1,589	\$	3,253	
LIABILITIES:	 	·		
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments:				
Cash flow hedges:				
Foreign exchange currency contracts	\$ 12,179	\$	12,930	Accrued expenses/ Other long-term liabilities
Total derivatives designated as hedging instruments	 12,179		12,930	
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:				
Foreign exchange currency contracts	 3,817		3,774	Accrued expenses
Total	\$ 15,996	\$	16,704	

#### Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments

Foreign Exchange Currency Contracts Designated as Cash Flow Hedges

During the three months ended April 29, 2023, the Company purchased U.S. dollar forward contracts in Europe totaling US\$30.0 million that were designated as cash flow hedges. As of April 29, 2023, the Company had forward contracts outstanding for its European operations of US\$221.0 million to hedge forecasted merchandise purchases, which are expected to mature over the next 16 months.

As of April 29, 2023, accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) related to foreign exchange currency contracts included an \$8.6 million net unrealized loss, net of tax, of which \$6.8 million will be

recognized in cost of product sales over the following 12 months, at the then current values on a pre-tax basis, which can be different than the current quarter-end values.

At January 28, 2023, the Company had forward contracts outstanding for its European operations of US\$253.0 million that were designated as cash flow hedges.

Interest Rate Swap Agreement Designated as Cash Flow Hedge

As of April 29, 2023, accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) related to the interest rate swap agreement included a net unrealized gain of \$0.7 million, net of tax, which will be recognized in interest expense over the following 12 months, at the then current values on a pre-tax basis, which can be different than the current quarter-end values.

The following summarizes the gains (losses) before income taxes recognized on derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges in OCI and net earnings (loss) (in thousands):

	Gain	s (Losses) R	ecog	nized in OCI	Location of Gain (Loss) Reclassified from Accumulated OCI into Earnings (Loss)		Gains (Losses) Reclassified Accumulated OCI into Earn (Loss)				
	Apı	29, 2023	Α	pr 30, 2022		Ap	or 29, 2023	A	pr 30, 2022		
					Three Months Ended						
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedges:											
Foreign exchange currency contracts	\$	(1,072)	\$	7,826	Cost of product sales	\$	5,893	\$	1,674		
Interest rate swap		15		777	Interest expense		128		(61)		

The following summarizes net after income tax derivative activity recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) (in thousands):

		ıded		
	Ap	or 29, 2023	Ap	or 30, 2022
Beginning balance gain (loss)	\$	(1,584)	\$	7,280
Net gains (losses) from changes in cash flow hedges		(942)		7,563
Net gains reclassified into earnings (loss)		(5,343)		(1,443)
Ending balance gain (loss)	\$	(7,869)	\$	13,400

Foreign Exchange Currency Contracts Not Designated as Hedging Instruments

As of April 29, 2023, the Company had euro foreign exchange currency contracts to purchase US\$68.0 million expected to mature over the next 12 months. As of January 28, 2023, the Company had euro foreign exchange currency contracts to purchase US\$83.5 million.

The following summarizes the gains before income taxes recognized on derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments in other income (expense) (in thousands):

		Gains (I	Losses) Recogn (Loss		Earnings
	Location of Gains (Losses)		Three Month	s Ended	
	Recognized in Earnings (Loss)		29, 2023	Apr 30	, 2022
Foreign exchange currency contracts	Other expense	\$	(625)	\$	1,580

# (17) Subsequent Events

### Dividends

On May 24, 2023, the Company's Board of Directors approved an increase to the quarterly cash dividend, from \$0.225 to \$0.30 per share on the Company's common stock. The cash dividend will be paid on June 23, 2023 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on June 7, 2023. In connection with the increase to the quarterly cash dividend, the Company will adjust the conversion rate (which is expected to increase) and the conversion price (which is expected to decrease) of the Notes in accordance with the terms of the 2024 Indenture and the 2028 Indenture, effective as of June 6, 2023. A corresponding adjustment is expected to be made to the strike prices with respect to the convertible note hedges and the warrants entered into by the Company in connection with the offering of the corresponding Notes, each of which will be decreased in accordance with the terms of the applicable convertible note hedge confirmations and warrant confirmations.

# ITEM 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

#### General

Unless the context indicates otherwise, when we refer to "we," "us," "our" or the "Company" in this Form 10-Q, we are referring to Guess?, Inc. ("GUESS?") and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis.

# Forward-Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements may also be contained in our other reports filed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, in our press releases and in other documents.

All statements other than statements of historical or current fact are forward-looking statements. These statements include those relating to expectations, analyses and other information based on current plans, forecasts of future results and estimates of amounts not yet determinable. These statements also relate to our goals, future prospects, potential actions and the ongoing conflict in Ukraine and other events impacting the markets in which we operate; statements concerning our future outlook, including with respect to the second quarter and full year of fiscal 2024; statements concerning our expectations, goals, future prospects, and current business strategies and strategic initiatives; and statements expressing optimism or pessimism about future operating results and growth opportunities are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are frequently indicated by terms such as "expect," "could," "will," "should," "goal," "strategy," "believe," "estimate," "continue," "outlook," "plan," "create," "see," and similar terms, are only expectations, and involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties, which may cause actual results in future periods to differ materially from what is currently anticipated. Factors which may cause actual results in future periods to differ materially from current expectations include, among others: our ability to maintain our brand image and reputation; domestic and international economic or political conditions, including economic and other events that could negatively impact consumer confidence and discretionary consumer spending; sanctions and export controls targeting Russia and other impacts related to the war in Ukraine; impacts related to the COVID-19 pandemic or other public health crises; risks relating to our indebtedness; changes to estimates related to impairments. inventory and other reserves; changes in the competitive marketplace and in our commercial relationships; our ability to anticipate and adapt to changing consumer preferences and trends; our ability to manage our inventory commensurate with customer demand; the high concentration of our Americas Wholesale business; risks related to the costs and timely delivery of merchandise to our distribution facilities, stores and wholesale customers; unexpected or unseasonable weather conditions; our ability to effectively operate our various retail concepts, including securing, renewing, modifying or terminating leases for store locations; our ability to successfully and/or timely implement our growth strategies and other strategic initiatives; our ability to successfully enhance our global omni-channel capabilities; our ability to expand internationally and operate in regions where we have less experience, including through joint ventures; risks relating to our convertible senior notes, including our ability to settle the liability in cash; disruptions at our distribution facilities; our ability to attract and retain management and other key personnel; obligations or changes in estimates arising from new or existing litigation, income tax and other regulatory proceedings; risks related to the income tax treatment of our third quarter fiscal 2022 intra-entity transfer of intellectual property rights from certain U.S. entities to a wholly-owned Swiss subsidiary; catastrophic events or natural disasters; changes in U.S. or foreign income tax or tariff policy, including changes to tariffs on imports into the U.S.; accounting adjustments to our unaudited financial statements identified during the completion of our annual independent audit of financial statements and financial controls or from subsequent events arising after issuance of this Quarterly Report; risk of future noncash asset impairments, including goodwill, right-of-use lease assets and/or other store asset impairments; violations of, or changes to, domestic or international laws and regulations; risks associated with the acts or omissions of our licensees and third party vendors, including a failure to comply with our vendor code of conduct or other policies; risks associated with cyber security incidents and other cyber security risks; risks associated with our ability to properly collect, use, manage and secure consumer and employee data; risks associated with our vendors' ability to maintain the strength and

security of information technology systems; changes in economic, political, social and other conditions affecting our foreign operations and sourcing, including the impact of currency fluctuations, global income tax rates and economic and market conditions in the various countries in which we operate; impacts of inflation and further inflationary pressures; fluctuations in quarterly performance; slowing in-person customer traffic; increases in labor costs; increases in wages; risks relating to activist investor activity; and the significant voting power of our family founders. In addition to these factors, the economic, technological, managerial, and other risks identified in "Part I, Item 1A. Risk Factors" of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, "Part II, Item 1A. Risk Factors" herein and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including but not limited to the risk factors discussed therein, could cause actual results to differ materially from current expectations. The current global economic climate, the ongoing conflict in Ukraine, concerns related to the current U.S. debt ceiling, possible instability in the banking system, and uncertainty surrounding potential changes in U.S. policies and regulations may amplify many of these risks. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

## **Business Update, Market Trends and Uncertainties**

Macroeconomic conditions, including rising inflation, higher interest rates, foreign exchange rate fluctuations, declines in consumer spending, the impact of the ongoing conflict in Ukraine and the lingering effects of public health crises, continue to negatively impact our business. These conditions have also negatively impacted global supply chains, contributing to industry-wide increases to product and freight costs relative to pre-pandemic levels. We have been working actively to mitigate these headwinds to the extent possible through a number of global supply chain initiatives.

We continue to carefully monitor and respond to developments in market conditions, including by strategically managing expenses in order to protect profitability. The duration and scope of these conditions cannot be predicted, and therefore, any anticipated negative financial impact to our operating results cannot be reasonably estimated.

## **Business Segments**

Our businesses are grouped into five reportable segments for management and internal financial reporting purposes: Americas Retail, Americas Wholesale, Europe, Asia and Licensing. Our Americas Retail, Americas Wholesale, Europe and Licensing reportable segments are the same as their respective operating segments. Certain components of our Asia operating segment are separate operating segments based on region, which have been aggregated into the Asia reportable segment for disclosure purposes.

We evaluate segment performance based primarily on revenues and earnings (loss) from operations before corporate performance-based compensation costs, asset impairment charges, net gains (losses) on lease modifications, restructuring charges and certain non-recurring credits (charges), if any. We believe this segment reporting reflects how our business segments are managed and how each segment's performance is evaluated by our chief operating decision maker to assess performance and make resource allocation decisions. Information regarding these segments is summarized in "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements – Note 8 – Segment Information."

#### **Products**

We derive our net revenue from the sale of GUESS?, G by GUESS (GbG), GUESS Kids and MARCIANO apparel and our licensees' products through our worldwide network of directly-operated and licensed retail stores, wholesale customers and distributors, as well as our online sites. We also derive royalty revenue from worldwide licensing activities.

# Foreign Currency Volatility

Since the majority of our international operations are conducted in currencies other than the U.S. dollar (primarily the British pound, Canadian dollar, Chinese yuan, euro, Japanese yen, Korean won, Mexican peso,

Polish zloty, Russian rouble and Turkish lira), currency fluctuations can have a significant impact on the translation of our international revenues and earnings (loss) into U.S. dollars.

Some of our transactions, primarily those in Europe, Canada, South Korea, China, Hong Kong and Mexico, are denominated in U.S. dollars, Swiss francs, British pounds and Russian roubles, exposing them to exchange rate fluctuations when these transactions (such as inventory purchases or periodic lease payments) are converted to their functional currencies. As a result, fluctuations in exchange rates can impact the operating margins of our foreign operations and reported earnings (loss), and are largely dependent on the transaction timing and magnitude during the period that the currency fluctuates. When these foreign exchange rates weaken versus the U.S. dollar at the time the respective U.S. dollar denominated payment is made relative to the payments made in the comparable period, our product margins have been and could continue to be unfavorably impacted.

In addition, there are certain real estate leases denominated in a currency other than the functional currency of the respective entity that entered into the agreement (primarily Swiss francs, Russian roubles and Polish zloty). As a result, we may be exposed to volatility related to unrealized gains or losses on the translation of present value of future lease payment obligations when translated at the exchange rate as of a reporting period-end.

During the first three months of fiscal 2024, the average U.S. dollar rate was stronger against the euro, British pound, Polish zloty, Turkish lira, Canadian dollar, Japanese yen, Korean won and Chinese yuan and weaker against the Russian rouble and Mexican peso compared to the average rate in the same prior-year period. This had an overall unfavorable impact on the translation of our international revenues and on earnings from operations for the three months ended April 29, 2023 compared to the same prior-year period.

For the remainder of fiscal 2024, if the U.S. dollar strengthens further relative to the respective fiscal 2023 foreign exchange rates, foreign exchange could negatively impact our revenues and operating results, as well as our international cash and other balance sheet items, particularly in Canada, Europe (primarily the euro, Turkish lira, British Pound and Russian rouble) and Mexico. Alternatively, if the U.S. dollar weakens relative to the respective fiscal 2023 foreign exchange rates, our revenues and operating results, as well as our other cash balance sheet items, could be positively impacted by foreign currency fluctuations during the remainder of fiscal 2024, particularly in these regions. At roughly prevailing exchange rates, we expect currencies to continue to represent a headwind to operating profit and margin for the full fiscal year 2024.

We enter into derivative financial instruments to offset some, but not all, of the exchange risk on foreign currency transactions. For additional discussion regarding our exposure to foreign currency risk, forward contracts designated as hedging instruments and forward contracts not designated as hedging instruments, refer to "Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk."

### **Inflation Impacts**

Our financial results have been and may continue to be impacted by inflationary pressures affecting our overall cost structure, including transportation, employee compensation, raw materials and other costs. We estimate certain of our costs are impacted by inflation and other factors as follows:

**Transportation.** Our inbound and outbound transportation costs vary by the method of shipping, including air, ocean and ground. Each of these methods may be impacted by various factors, including inflation and other considerations, such as an imbalance between the overall freight capacity on the marketplace and demand. Compared to pre-pandemic levels, the increase in our transportation costs was primarily attributable to higher inbound freight costs.

**Employee Compensation.** We have been impacted by the ongoing shortage of available qualified candidates for employment, as well as increases in compensation to attract and retain employees. We continue to evaluate our compensation and benefit offerings to be competitive with the current market and evaluate strategies to be more effective and efficient at all levels within the organization, including how to best serve our customers.

**Raw Materials.** The costs of raw materials for our products have increased, both as a result of inflation and our ongoing initiatives to improve the quality and sustainability of our products. In addition, because a significant portion of our products are manufactured in other countries, declines in the relative value of local currencies versus the U.S. dollar have exacerbated many of these pricing pressures.

We seek to minimize the impact of inflation by continuously optimizing our supply chain, including logistics, as well as efficiently managing our workforce. It is difficult to determine the portion of cost increases solely attributable to inflation versus other factors, such as the cost of improvements to our products and imbalances in the supply chain.

These increased costs have negatively impacted our margins and expenses. Continued inflationary and other pressures could further impact our gross margin and selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of net sales if the sales price of our products does not increase with higher costs. Furthermore, prolonged inflationary conditions could have an adverse impact on consumer discretionary spending, which could negatively impact our sales and results in the future. In addition, inflation could materially increase the interest rates on any future debt we may incur.

We expect inflationary pressures will persist in the near term. The extent to which such pressures may impact our business depends on many factors, including our customers' ability and willingness to accept price increases, our ability to improve our margins, and potential downward pricing pressures if our competitors do not also raise their prices. Please refer to "Part II, Item 1A. Risk Factors" of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K for further information on the potential impacts and risk associated with inflation.

# Russia-Ukraine Conflict

We are currently operating in Russia through our wholesale and retail channels and we have immaterial wholesale operations through local wholesale partners in Belarus and Ukraine. Our operations in Russia are operated primarily through Guess? CIS, LLC ("Guess CIS"), a majority-owned Russian subsidiary in which we had a 70% interest as of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023. As more fully described below, we acquired the noncontrolling interest holder's 30% interest in Guess CIS in May 2023, resulting in Guess CIS now being a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. Guess CIS currently operates 44 retail stores in Russia and acts as a distributor for our wholesale partners in Russia. We also operate in Russia through other local wholesale partners and by selling directly to retail customers through our European online store. Prior to February 2022, we also sold directly to retail customers in Ukraine and Belarus through our European online store.

Our operations in Russia, Belarus and Ukraine represented slightly more than 3% of our total revenue for the year ended January 28, 2023 and slightly less than 5% for the three months ended April 29, 2023, with our operations in Russia comprising over 90% of this total revenue. As of April 29, 2023, our total assets in Russia, all of which are held by Guess CIS, represented less than 2% of our total assets, consisting primarily of leasehold right of use assets, store inventory, furnishings and fixtures, and receivables. We only maintain inventory in Russia in an amount sufficient for operating our Russian retail stores. We do not maintain inventory or hold any other significant assets in Belarus or Ukraine. We do not rely, directly or indirectly, on goods sourced in Russia, Belarus or Ukraine. Other than such labor and services necessary to conduct our direct operations in Russia in the ordinary course of business, we do not rely, directly or indirectly, on services sourced in Russia, Belarus or Ukraine.

There has been no material impact to our existing operations as a result of the ongoing conflict in Ukraine, although we are limited in our ability to expand our business in Russia due to the U.S. ban on new investments in Russia described below under "—Impact of Sanctions and Trade Restrictions." With respect to our supply and distribution channels, we have experienced increased costs and transit times associated with deliveries related to our Russia operations, due in part to new procedures and sanctions screening implemented in response to the conflict in Ukraine and the imposition of related sanctions. These costs and delays have not materially impacted our business or results of operations. Additionally, retail deliveries for online orders to Ukraine and Belarus have been suspended since February 2022 due to increased logistics costs and other difficulties in delivering to these regions. While we intend to re-open online orders to Ukraine and Belarus

when appropriate, the suspension of these shipments has not had, and is not anticipated to have, a material impact on our business or results of operations. Our wholesale partner in Ukraine partially suspended its operations at the outset of the conflict; however, sales were re-opened in July 2022, and our business and results of operations were not materially impacted.

In addition, pursuant to an agreement entered into in 2018, our European subsidiary, Guess Europe SAGL has also counter guaranteed up to \$900,000 of Guess CIS's obligations under its local Russian guarantee line, as required by certain lease agreements.

In connection with our investment in Guess CIS, we are party to a put arrangement with respect to the securities that represent the remaining noncontrolling interest for Guess CIS (the "Put Option"). The Put Option provides the noncontrolling interest holder of Guess CIS, a non-sanctioned Russian citizen (the "Minority Holder"), the right to compel us, through a wholly-owned European subsidiary, to purchase the remaining 30% of the total outstanding equity interest of Guess CIS at its sole discretion by providing written notice to us during the period after December 28, 2020, the fifth anniversary of the agreement, through December 31, 2025. The redemption value of the Put Option is based on a multiple of Guess CIS's earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, subject to certain adjustments. The carrying value of the redeemable noncontrolling interest related to the put arrangement was €8.0 million (\$8.8 million) as of April 29, 2023. In November 2022, the Minority Holder exercised the Put Option. triggering a contractual obligation for us to purchase the Minority Holder's 30% interest in Guess CIS. Following a comprehensive review of the various economic sanctions imposed by the United States and European governments with respect to Russia and obtaining guidance from the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control, we determined that our acquisition of the Minority Holder's 30% interest in Guess CIS pursuant to our pre-sanctions contractual obligation to fulfill the Minority Holder's exercise of the Put Option is not prohibited by current economic sanctions, including the U.S. ban on new investment in Russia, As such, following the exercise of the Put Option by the Minority Holder, we entered into an agreement with the Minority Holder to proceed with our acquisition of the Minority Holder's 30% interest in Guess CIS for a purchase price of €8.0 million, subject to the formal approval of the acquisition by the relevant Russian government commission and certain other customary conditions. This formal approval was received, and the purchase was completed, in May 2023.

# **Impact of Sanctions and Trade Restrictions**

Our Russian operations are subject to various sanctions and export control measures targeting Russia, Belarus, and the Russiancontrolled regions of Ukraine (Crimea, Donetsk, and Luhansk). These measures include: (i) blocking sanctions prohibiting dealings with various Russian senior government officials, and companies in various sectors important to the Russian economy, including major Russian financial institutions; (ii) expanded sectoral sanctions related to designated Russian entities' ability to raise capital; (iii) the disconnection of certain Russian and Belarusian banks from the Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication ("SWIFT") financial messaging network; (iv) a ban on new investment in Russia; (v) a ban on the provision of certain services in Russia in the areas of accounting, trust formation, management consulting, quantum computing, architecture, engineering, and in relation to the maritime transport of Russian-origin crude oil and petroleum products; (vi) bans on the import into the United States of certain Russian origin products, including various energy products; (vii) bans on the conduct of business or investment activity in the Russian-controlled Crimea, Donetsk and Luhansk regions of Ukraine; and (viii) restrictions on the export of various products to Russia and Belarus, including certain dual-use industrial and commercial products, and luxury goods. Additionally, certain logistics operators have imposed bans on direct air deliveries to Russia and restrictions on land deliveries to and from Russia, Belarus and Ukraine, none of which have had a material impact on our operations to date. We assessed the applicability of these sanctions and trade restrictions based on internal assessments of relevant regulations and concluded our existing operations in Russia and Belarus have not been materially affected by these sanctions and trade restrictions, although we are limited from further expansion of our business in Russia. All of our deliveries (both wholesale and retail) undergo sanctions

screening, including screening for maximum product value of \$300 and €300 per item and prevention of shipments to sanctioned final recipients.

Our assessment of the impact of the various sanctions and export control measures targeting Russia, Belarus and the Russian-controlled regions of Ukraine is subject to the following uncertainties and assumptions:

- The duration and extent of the armed conflict in Ukraine;
- The impact of sanctions and trade restrictions targeting Russia and Belarus, and the possibility that such sanctions or trade restrictions may be expanded, or new sanctions or trade restrictions may be imposed;
- The possibility of significant exchange rate volatility related to the Russian rouble;
- Potential disruptions of normal cash flow resulting from the removal of Russian and Belarusian banks from the SWIFT financial messaging network and regulations of the Russian and Belarusian governments;
- Disruptions of transport access to and from Russia, Belarus or Ukraine; and
- The suspension of our online retail shipments to Belarus and Ukraine.

We continue to assess all of our operations in Russia to ensure compliance with applicable sanctions, including most notably the U.S. ban on new investment in Russia.

We are actively monitoring the situation in Ukraine. While the extent to which our future operations in Russia, Belarus and Ukraine will be impacted by the ongoing conflict is impossible to predict, the impact is not expected to be material to our results of operations, financial condition or cash flows.

## Strategy

Our strategic vision and implementation plan for execution includes several key priorities to drive revenue and operating profit growth. These priorities are: (i) brand relevancy and brand elevation; (ii) product excellence; (iii) customer centricity; (iv) global footprint; (v) functional capabilities; and (vi) growth; each as further described below:

**Brand Relevancy and Brand Elevation.** We continue to optimize our brand architecture to be relevant with our three target consumer groups: Heritage, Millennials, and Generation Z. We have developed and launched one global line of product for all categories. We seek to elevate our Guess and Marciano brands and improve the quality and sustainability of our products, allowing us to realize more full-priced sales and rely less on promotional activity. We continue to use unique go-to-market strategies and execute celebrity and influencer partnerships and collaborations as we believe that they are critical to engage more effectively with a younger and broader audience.

**Product Excellence.** We believe product is a key factor of success in our business. We strive to design and make great products and will extend our product offering to provide our customers with products for the different occasions of their lifestyles. We will seek to better address local product needs.

*Customer Centricity.* We continue to place the customer at the center of everything we do. We plan to implement processes and platforms to provide our customers with a seamless omni-channel experience and expand our digital business.

*Global Footprint.* We continue to expand the reach of our brands by optimizing the productivity and profitability of our current footprint and expanding our distribution channels.

**Functional Capabilities.** We continue to drive operational improvements to leverage and support our global business more effectively, primarily in the areas of logistics, sourcing, product development and production, inventory management, and overall infrastructure.

*Growth.* We intend to leverage our infrastructure and capabilities, as well as the strength of our brands, to drive revenue growth. We will focus on increasing the productivity of our existing network, growing organically in existing and new markets, pursuing brand extensions and category expansions and pursuing

strategic acquisitions of brands and businesses that leverage our global infrastructure and network of licensees and wholesale partners.

# **Capital Allocation**

We plan to continue to prioritize capital allocation toward investments that support growth and infrastructure, while remaining highly disciplined in the way we allocate capital across projects, including new store development, store remodels, technology and logistics investments and others. When we prioritize investments, we will focus on their strategic significance and their return on invested capital expectations. We also plan to manage product buys and inventory ownership rigorously and optimize overall working capital management consistently. In addition, we plan to continue to return value to shareholders through dividends and share repurchases, as appropriate, and we will pursue strategic acquisitions of brands and businesses that leverage our global infrastructure and network of licensees and wholesale partners.

In April 2023, we issued \$275 million aggregate principal amount of 3.75% convertible senior notes due April 2028 (the "2028 Notes") and retired approximately \$184.9 million aggregate principal amount of the existing 2.00% convertible senior notes due April 2024 (the "2024 Notes", and collectively referred to as the "Notes") in a private offering. During the first quarter of fiscal 2024, in connection with the exchange and subscription offering related to the 2024 Notes and the 2028 Notes, we repurchased approximately 2.2 million shares of our common stock for \$42.8 million, including excise tax, through broker-assisted market transactions, pursuant to our existing share repurchase program.

### **Comparable Store Sales**

We report National Retail Federation calendar comparable store sales on a quarterly basis for our retail businesses which include the combined results from our brick-and-mortar retail stores and our e-commerce sites. We also separately report the impact of e-commerce sales on our comparable store sales metric. As a result of our omni-channel strategy, our e-commerce business has become strongly intertwined with our brick-and-mortar retail store business. Therefore, we believe that the inclusion of e-commerce sales in our comparable store sales metric provides a more meaningful representation of our retail results.

Sales from our brick-and-mortar retail stores include purchases that are initiated, paid for and fulfilled at our retail stores and directly-operated concessions as well as merchandise that is reserved online but paid for and picked up at our retail stores. Sales from our e-commerce sites include purchases that are initiated and paid for online and shipped from either our distribution centers or our retail stores as well as purchases that are initiated in a retail store, but due to inventory availability at the retail store, are ordered and paid for online and shipped from our distribution centers or picked up from a different retail store.

Store sales are considered comparable after the store has been open for 13 full fiscal months. If a store remodel results in a square footage change of more than 15%, or involves a relocation or a change in store concept, the store sales are removed from the comparable store base until the store has been opened at its new size, in its new location or under its new concept for 13 full fiscal months. Stores that are permanently closed or temporarily closed (including as a result of pandemic-related closures) for more than seven days in any fiscal month are excluded from the calculation in the fiscal month that they are closed. E-commerce sales are considered comparable after the online site has been operational in a country for 13 full fiscal months and exclude any related revenue from shipping fees. These criteria are consistent with the metric used by management for internal reporting and analysis to measure performance of the store or online sites. Definitions and calculations of comparable store sales used by us may differ from similarly titled measures reported by other companies.

#### Other

We operate on a 52/53-week fiscal year calendar which ends on the Saturday nearest to January 31 of each year. The three months ended April 29, 2023 had the same number of days as the three months ended April 30, 2022. All references herein to "fiscal 2023" and "fiscal 2022" represent the results of the 52-week fiscal years ended January 28, 2023 and January 29, 2022, respectively. All references herein to "fiscal 2024" represent the 53-week fiscal year ending February 3, 2024, with the extra week occurring in the fourth quarter of the year.

# **Executive Summary**

### **Overview**

Net loss attributable to Guess?, Inc. was \$11.8 million, or diluted net loss per share of \$0.22 per common share, for the quarter ended April 29, 2023, compared to net earnings of \$8.0 million, or diluted net earnings per share ("EPS") of \$0.12, for the quarter ended April 30, 2022.

During the quarter ended April 29, 2023, we recognized \$1.9 million in asset impairment charges; \$0.9 million for certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs; \$7.7 million in loss on extinguishment of debt; a minimal amount of amortization of debt discount; and \$0.2 million for certain discrete income tax adjustments (or a combined \$8.3 million, or \$0.15 negative per share impact after considering the related income tax benefit of \$2.5 million). Excluding the impact of these items, adjusted net loss attributable to Guess?, Inc. was \$3.5 million and adjusted diluted net loss was \$0.07 per common share for the quarter ended April 29, 2023.

During the quarter ended April 30, 2022, we recognized \$1.5 million in asset impairment charges; \$0.6 million in net gains on lease modifications; \$4.4 million for certain professional services and legal fees and related credits (costs); and \$3.2 million in additional income tax expense from certain discrete income tax adjustments (or a combined \$7.3 million, or \$0.12 negative per share impact after considering the related income tax benefit of \$1.3 million). Excluding the impact of these items, adjusted net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc. was \$15.2 million and adjusted diluted EPS was \$0.24 for the quarter ended April 30, 2022. References to financial results excluding the impact of these items are non-GAAP measures and are addressed below under "Non-GAAP Measures."

Highlights of our performance for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to the same prior-year quarter are presented below, followed by a more comprehensive discussion under "Results of Operations": (References to constant currency results are non-GAAP measures and are addressed under "Non-GAAP Measures.")

## **Operations**

- Total net revenue decreased 4.0% to \$569.8 million for the quarter ended April 29, 2023, compared to \$593.5 million in the same prior-year quarter. In constant currency, net revenue decreased by 1.7%.
- Gross margin (gross profit as a percentage of total net revenue) decreased 90 basis points to 40.7% for the quarter ended April 29, 2023, compared to 41.6% in the same prior-year quarter.
- Selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses as a percentage of total net revenue ("SG&A rate") increased 530 basis points to 40.6% for the quarter ended April 29, 2023, compared to 35.3% in the same prior-year quarter. SG&A expenses increased 10.1% to \$231.0 million for the quarter ended April 29, 2023, compared to \$209.8 million in the same prior-year quarter.
- During the quarter ended April 29, 2023, we recognized \$1.9 million of asset impairment charges, compared to \$1.5 million in the same prior-year quarter.
- During the quarter ended April 29, 2023, we recorded no net gains on lease modifications, compared to net gains of \$0.6 million in the same prior-year quarter.
- Operating margin decreased 630 basis points to negative 0.2% for the quarter ended April 29, 2023, compared to 6.1% in the same prior-year quarter. The decrease in operating margin was mainly driven by

300 basis points from higher expenses, 160 basis points from lower government subsidies compared to the same prior-year quarter and 120 basis points from each of higher markdowns and unfavorable currency impact, partially offset by 130 basis points from higher initial markups. Loss from operations was \$0.9 million for the quarter ended April 29, 2023, compared to earnings from operations of \$36.4 million in the same prior-year quarter.

- During the quarter ended April 29, 2023, we recorded a loss of \$7.7 million related to the partial extinguishment of our 2024 Notes.
- Other expense, net, totaled \$2.6 million for the quarter ended April 29, 2023, compared to \$16.5 million in the same prior-year quarter.
- The effective income tax rate decreased to a benefit of 17.4% for the quarter ended April 29, 2023, compared to an expense of 39.9% in the same prior-year quarter.

# **Key Balance Sheet Accounts**

- We had \$298.6 million in cash and cash equivalents as of April 29, 2023 compared to \$147.9 million at April 30, 2022.
  - As of April 29, 2023, we had \$19.3 million in outstanding borrowings under our term loans and \$139.7 million in outstanding borrowings under our credit facilities compared to \$43.8 million in outstanding borrowings under our term loans and \$42.7 million in outstanding borrowings under our credit facilities as of April 30, 2022.
  - o In April 2023, we issued \$275 million aggregate principal amount of the 2028 Notes and retired approximately \$184.9 million aggregate principal amount of the 2024 Notes in separate, privately-negotiated transactions, for which we received total cash proceeds of \$80.3 million. In connection with these transactions, we (i) entered into convertible note hedge transactions for which we paid an aggregate \$51.8 million, (ii) sold warrants for which we received aggregate proceeds of \$20.2 million and (iii) terminated a portion of the convertible note hedge transactions and warrant transactions entered into in connection with the issuance of the 2024 Notes, for which we received net proceeds of \$6.2 million. These transactions are intended to reduce the potential dilution with respect to our common stock upon conversion of the notes and/or offset any cash payments we may be required to make in excess of the principal amount of the converted notes.
  - During the three months ended April 29, 2023, in connection with the exchange and subscription offering related to the 2024 Notes and the 2028 Notes, we repurchased 2.2 million shares of our common stock for \$42.8 million, including excise tax, through broker-assisted market transactions.
- Accounts receivable consists of trade receivables relating primarily to our wholesale business in Europe and, to a lesser extent, to
  our wholesale businesses in the Americas and Asia, royalty receivables relating to our licensing operations, credit card and retail
  concession receivables related to our retail businesses and certain other receivables. Accounts receivable decreased by \$9.1 million,
  or 3.1%, to \$286.3 million as of April 29, 2023 compared to \$295.4 million at April 30, 2022. On a constant currency basis,
  accounts receivable decreased by \$15.1 million, or 5.1%, when compared to April 30, 2022.
- Inventory increased by \$45.0 million, or 9.3%, to \$528.9 million as of April 29, 2023, from \$483.9 million at April 30, 2022. On a constant currency basis, inventory increased by \$38.8 million, or 8.0%, when compared to April 30, 2022. The increase was mainly driven by the residual effect of last year's initiative to mitigate supply chain disruptions by ordering products earlier as well as the impact of higher average unit costs due to the elevation of the quality of our products, our investments in sustainability and inflationary pressures.

# **Global Store Count**

During the quarter ended April 29, 2023, together with our partners, we opened 17 new stores worldwide, consisting of seven stores in Europe and the Middle East, nine stores in Asia and the Pacific, and one store in

the Americas. Together with our partners, we closed 37 stores worldwide, consisting of 19 stores in Europe and the Middle East, 14 stores in Asia and the Pacific, and four stores in the Americas.

We ended the quarter ended April 29, 2023 with stores and concessions worldwide comprised as follows:

	Stores				Concessions			
Region	Total	Directly- Operated	Partner Operated	Total	Directly- Operated	Partner Operated		
United States	238	238	_			_		
Canada	61	61		_	_	_		
Central and South America	103	69	34	29	29	_		
Total Americas	402	368	34	29	29	_		
Europe and the Middle East	782	558	224	53	53	_		
Asia and the Pacific	404	117	287	244	135	109		
Total	1,588	1,043	545	326	217	109		

Of the total stores, 1,311 were GUESS? stores, 182 were GUESS? Accessories stores, 60 were G by GUESS (GbG) stores and 35 were MARCIANO stores.

## **Results of Operations**

# Three Months Ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022

# **Consolidated Results**

The following presents our condensed consolidated statements of income (loss) (in thousands, except per share data):

		Three Mo	nths	Ended			
	 Apr 29, 2	2023		Apr 30, 2	2022	\$ change	% change
Net revenue	\$ 569,798	100.0 %	\$	593,473	100.0 %	\$ (23,675)	(4.0 %)
Cost of product sales	337,813	59.3 %		346,324	58.4 %	(8,511)	(2.5 %)
Gross profit	231,985	40.7 %		247,149	41.6 %	(15,164)	(6.1 %)
Selling, general and							
administrative expenses	230,973	40.6 %		209,831	35.3 %	21,142	10.1 %
Asset impairment charges	1,934	0.3 %		1,544	0.3 %	390	25.3 %
Net gains on lease modifications	_	—%		(601)	(0.1 %)	601	(100.0 %)
Earnings (loss) from operations	(922)	(0.2 %)		36,375	6.1 %	(37,297)	(102.5 %)
Interest expense, net	(1,703)	(0.3 %)		(2,519)	(0.4 %)	816	(32.4 %)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(7,696)	(1.4 %)		<u>—</u>	— %	(7,696)	100.0 %
Other expense, net	(2,631)	(0.4 %)		(16,452)	(2.8 %)	13,821	(84.0 %)
Earnings (loss) before income tax expense (benefit)	(12,952)	(2.3 %)		17,404	2.9 %	(30,356)	(174.4 %)
Income tax expense (benefit)	(2,258)	(0.4 %)		6,950	1.1 %	(9,208)	(132.5 %)
Net earnings (loss)	 (10,694)	(1.9 %)		10,454	1.8 %	(21,148)	(202.3 %)
Net earnings attributable to noncontrolling interests	1,111	0.2 %		2,484	0.5 %	(1,373)	(55.3 %)
Net earnings (loss) attributable to Guess?, Inc.	\$ (11,805)	(2.1 %)	\$	7,970	1.3 %	\$ (19,775)	(248.1 %)
Net earnings (loss) per commor		common stockh					
Basic	\$ (0.22)		\$	0.13		\$ (0.35)	
Diluted	\$ (0.22)		\$	0.12		\$ (0.34)	
Effective income tax rate	17.4 %			39.9 %			

**Net Revenue.** Net revenue decreased by \$24 million, or 4%, for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to the same prior-year quarter. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our non-U.S. operations unfavorably impacted net revenue by \$14 million compared to the same prior-year quarter. In constant currency, net revenue decreased by 2%. The decrease in constant currency was mainly driven by lower wholesale revenues which had a roughly 4% revenue decline impact, partially offset by roughly 2% of revenue growth from net store openings.

*Gross Margin.* Gross margin decreased by 0.9% for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to the same prior-year quarter, driven by 120 basis points from each of higher markdowns and unfavorable currency impact and 70 basis points due to higher occupancy costs, partially offset by 130 basis points from higher initial markups and 60 basis points due to favorable revenue mix.

*Gross Profit.* Gross profit decreased \$15 million for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to the same prior-year quarter. The decrease in gross profit was driven by \$12 million of unfavorable currency impact,

including \$5 million of unfavorable currency translational impact, \$7 million of higher markdowns and \$4 million due to higher occupancy costs, partially offset by \$7 million due to higher initial markups.

Distribution costs, including labor, inbound freight charges, purchasing costs and related overhead, related to supplying inventory to store locations within our retail business are included in cost of product sales. We also include net royalties received on our inventory purchases of licensed product as a reduction to cost of product sales. We generally exclude wholesale-related distribution costs from gross margin, including them instead in SG&A expenses. Additionally, we include retail store occupancy costs in cost of product sales. As a result, our gross margin may not be comparable to that of other entities. To ensure expenses are separated appropriately, we track activities at each distribution center location and record the costs associated with our shipments of goods either as cost of sales or as selling, general and administrative expenses, accordingly.

*SG&A Rate.* Our SG&A rate increased 5.3% for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 from the same prior-year quarter. The unfavorable change in SG&A rate was mainly driven by 220 basis points of higher expenses, including store labor costs, investments in infrastructure and inflationary pressures, 150 basis points due to lower COVID-related government subsidies and 80 basis points due to unfavorable business mix.

**SG&A Expenses.** SG&A expenses increased \$21 million for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 from the same prior-year quarter. The increase in SG&A expenses was mainly driven by \$13 million of higher expenses primarily from store labor costs, investments in infrastructure and inflationary pressures, \$9 million of lower COVID-related government subsidies and \$3 million due to business mix. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our foreign operations favorably impacted SG&A expenses by \$5 million.

**Asset Impairment Charges.** During the quarters ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, we recognized \$1.9 million and \$1.5 million, respectively, of property and equipment impairment charges related to certain retail locations resulting from under-performance and expected store closures.

**Net Gains on Lease Modifications.** There were no net gains on lease modifications during the quarter ended April 29, 2023. During the quarter ended April 30, 2022, we recorded net gains of \$0.6 million on lease modifications, related primarily to the early termination of lease agreements for certain retail locations.

**Operating Margin.** Operating margin decreased 6.3% for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to the same prior-year quarter. The decrease in operating margin was mainly driven by 300 basis points from higher expenses, 160 basis points from lower government subsidies compared to the same prior-year quarter and 120 basis points from each of higher markdowns and unfavorable currency impact, partially offset by 130 basis points from higher initial markups. Excluding the impact of asset impairment charges, certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs and net gains (losses) on lease modifications, our operating margin would have decreased 6.7% compared to the same prior-year quarter.

*Earnings (Loss) from Operations.* Loss from operations was \$1 million for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to earnings from operations of \$36 million in the same prior-year quarter. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our foreign operations unfavorably impacted loss from operations by \$1 million.

**Loss on Extinguishment of Debt.** During the quarter ended April 29, 2023, we recorded a loss of \$8 million related to the partial extinguishment of our 2024 Notes. There was no loss on extinguishment of debt during the quarter ended April 30, 2022.

**Other Expense**, **Net.** Other expense, net for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 was \$3 million compared to \$16 million in the same prior-year quarter. The change was primarily due to lower net unrealized and realized losses from foreign currency exposures and, to a lesser extent, net unrealized gains on our SERP-related assets, compared to net loss in the same prior-year quarter. This was partially offset by net mark-to-market losses on revaluation of foreign exchange currency contracts, compared to net gains in the same prior-year quarter.

**Income Tax Expense (Benefit).** Income tax benefit for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 was \$2 million, or a 17.4% effective income tax rate, compared to an income tax expense of \$7 million, or a 39.9% effective income tax rate in the same prior-year quarter. Income tax expense (benefit) for the interim periods is computed using the income tax rate estimated to be applicable for the full fiscal year, adjusted for discrete

items, which is subject to ongoing review and evaluation by management. The change in the effective income tax rate was primarily due to a decrease in earnings, offset by the discrete items, which included losses in certain tax jurisdictions for which we did not recognize an income tax benefit in fiscal 2024 compared to the same prior-year quarter.

On October 8, 2021, the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) announced the OECD/G20 Inclusive Framework on Base Erosion and Profit Shifting which agreed to a two-pillar solution to address tax challenges arising from digitalization of the economy. On December 20, 2021, the OECD released Pillar Two Model Rules defining the global minimum tax, which calls for the taxation of large corporations at a minimum rate of 15%. The OECD continues to release additional guidance on the two-pillar framework with widespread implementation anticipated by 2024. We are continuing to evaluate the potential impact on future periods of the Pillar Two Framework, pending legislative adoption by individual countries.

**Net Earnings (Loss) Attributable to Guess?, Inc.** Net loss attributable to Guess?, Inc. was \$12 million for the quarter ended April 29, 2023, compared to net earnings of \$8 million in the same prior-year quarter. Diluted net loss per share was \$0.22 for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to diluted EPS of \$0.12 in the same prior-year quarter. We estimate a negative impact from share buybacks of \$0.03 and a positive impact from currency of \$0.07 on diluted net loss per share in the quarter ended April 29, 2023 when compared to the same prior-year quarter.

Refer to "Non-GAAP Measures" for an overview of our non-GAAP, or adjusted, financial results for the quarters ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022. Excluding the impact of these non-GAAP items, adjusted net loss attributable to Guess?, Inc. was \$3 million for the quarter ended April 29, 2023, compared to adjusted net earnings of \$15 million for the same prior-year quarter. Adjusted diluted net loss per share was \$0.07 for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to adjusted diluted EPS of \$0.24 for the same prior-year quarter. We estimate a negative impact from our share buybacks of \$0.01 and a positive impact from currency of \$0.06 on adjusted diluted net loss per share in the quarter ended April 29, 2023 when compared to the same prior-year quarter.

### **Information by Business Segment**

The following presents our net revenue and earnings (loss) from operations by segment (in thousands):

01	0 ( )	Three Months Ended			,		
	A	pr 29, 2023	A	Apr 30, 2022	- 9	s change	% change
Net revenue:							
Americas Retail	\$	143,544	\$	166,485	\$	(22,941)	(13.8 %)
Americas Wholesale		51,393		68,357		(16,964)	(24.8 %)
Europe		280,198		276,009		4,189	1.5 %
Asia		70,775		56,222	14,553		25.9 %
Licensing		23,888	_	26,400	(2,512)		(9.5 %)
Total net revenue	\$	569,798	\$	593,473	_	(23,675)	(4.0 %)
Earnings (loss) from operations:					_		
Americas Retail	\$	(3,287)	\$	14,266		(17,553)	(123.0 %)
Americas Wholesale		13,093		17,397		(4,304)	(24.7 %)
Europe		1,593		17,890		(16,297)	(91.1 %)
Asia		3,830		(3,487)		7,317	(209.8 %)
Licensing		22,295		24,444	_	(2,149)	(8.8 %)
Total segment earnings from operations		37,524		70,510		(32,986)	(46.8 %)
Corporate overhead		(36,512)		(33,192)		(3,320)	10.0 %
Asset impairment charges		(1,934)		(1,544)		(390)	25.3 %
Net gains on lease modifications				601		(601)	(100.0 %)
Total earnings (loss) from operations	\$	(922)	\$	36,375	\$	(37,297)	(102.5 %)
Operating margins:							
Americas Retail		(2.3 %	)	8.6 %			
Americas Wholesale		25.5 %		25.5 %			
Europe		0.6 %		6.5 %			
Asia		5.4 %		(6.2 %)			
Licensing		93.3 %		92.6 %			
Total Company		(0.2 %)		6.1 %			

#### **Americas Retail**

Net revenue from our Americas Retail segment decreased by \$23 million, or 14%, for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 from the same prior-year quarter. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our non-U.S. retail stores and e-commerce sites had an unfavorable impact on net revenue of \$0.8 million. In constant currency, net revenue decreased by 13% compared to the same prior-year quarter. The decrease in net revenue in constant currency was primarily driven by \$17 million due to negative comparable sales, \$4 million due to the impact of net store closures and \$2 million due to lower e-commerce revenues. Comparable sales (including e-commerce) decreased 12% in U.S. dollars and constant currency compared to the same prior-year quarter. The inclusion of our e-commerce sales had minimal impact on the comparable sales percentage in U.S. dollars or constant currency. As of April 29, 2023, we directly operated 368 stores in the Americas compared to 385 stores at April 30, 2022, excluding concessions, which represents a 4% decrease from the same prior-year quarter.

Operating margin decreased 10.9% for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 from the same prior-year quarter. Approximately 560 basis points of the decrease was driven by the unfavorable impact of lower revenues, 190 basis points was due to higher expenses, including higher store costs, and 130 basis points was driven by higher markdowns.

Loss from operations from our Americas Retail segment was \$3 million for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to earnings of \$14 million in the same prior-year quarter. The change was primarily driven by \$10 million due to lower revenues, \$3 million due to higher expenses, including higher store costs, and \$2 million due to higher markdowns.

### Americas Wholesale

Net revenue from our Americas Wholesale segment decreased by \$17 million, or 25%, for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 from the same prior-year quarter. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our non-U.S. wholesale businesses had a favorable impact on net revenue of \$0.8 million. In constant currency, net revenue decreased by 26%. The decrease in net revenues in constant currency was driven by lower shipments in our U.S. wholesale business.

Operating margin remained the same for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to the same prior-year quarter. The steady operating margin was mainly driven by the unfavorable impact of lower revenues, offset by higher product margin.

Earnings from operations from our Americas Wholesale segment decreased by \$4 million, or 25%, for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 from the same prior-year quarter, mainly driven by \$6 million due to lower revenues, partially offset by \$1 million of higher product margin.

## **Europe**

Net revenue from our Europe segment increased by \$4 million, or 2%, for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to the same prior-year quarter. Currency translation fluctuations had an unfavorable impact on net revenue of \$9 million. In constant currency, net revenue increased by 5%. The increase in net revenue in constant currency was mainly driven by \$16 million due to positive comparable sales and \$5 million due to net store openings, partially offset by \$9 million of lower wholesale revenue due to earlier shipments in the fourth quarter of the prior year. Comparable sales (including e-commerce) increased 10% in U.S. dollars and increased 13% in constant currency compared to the same prior-year quarter. The inclusion of our e-commerce sales negatively impacted the comparable sales percentage by 4% in U.S. dollars and constant currency. Our retail sales in Turkey, a relatively small market, had an outsized impact on our comparable sales (including e-commerce) for the quarter ended April 29, 2023, contributing a positive impact of 2% in U.S. dollars and a negative impact of 3% in constant currency, largely due to the current hyper-inflation environment in Turkey. As of April 29, 2023, we directly operated 558 stores in Europe compared to 564 stores at April 30, 2022, excluding concessions, which represents a 1% decrease from the same prior-year quarter.

Operating margin decreased 5.9% for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to the same prior-year quarter. The decrease in operating margin was driven by 300 basis points from each of higher expenses and lower COVID-related government subsidies, and 260 basis points of unfavorable currency impact, partially offset by 280 basis points of higher initial markups and 170 basis points of favorable impact of higher revenues in constant currency.

Earnings from operations from our Europe segment decreased by \$16 million, or 91%, for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to the same prior-year quarter. The decrease in operating profit was mainly driven by \$9 million from each of higher expenses and lower COVID-related government subsidies, and \$8 million of unfavorable currency impacts, including \$1 million of unfavorable translation impact, partially offset by \$8 million of higher initial markups and \$6 million favorable impact of higher revenues.

### Asia

Net revenue from our Asia segment increased by \$15 million, or 26%, for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 from the same prioryear quarter. Currency translation fluctuations had an unfavorable impact on net revenue of \$4 million. In constant currency, net revenue increased by 34%. The increase in net revenue in constant currency was mainly driven by \$10 million due to net new store openings, including stores we recently acquired from our wholesale partners in Korea, \$4 million due to higher wholesale shipments, and \$2 million for each of higher e-commerce revenues and positive comparable store sales. Comparable sales

(including e-commerce) increased 1% in U.S. dollars and increased 8% in constant currency compared to the same prior-year quarter. The inclusion of our e-commerce sales positively impacted the comparable sales percentage by 2% in U.S. dollars and constant currency.

Operating margin increased 11.6% for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 from the same prior-year quarter, mainly driven by the favorable impact of higher revenues.

Earnings from operations from our Asia segment was \$4 million for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to a loss of \$3 million in the same prior-year quarter, mainly driven by the impact of higher revenues. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our Asia operations had a minimal impact on earnings (loss) from operations.

## Licensing

Net royalty revenue from our Licensing segment decreased by \$3 million, or 10%, for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 from the same prior-year quarter, mainly driven by lower royalties in our handbag category.

Earnings from operations from our Licensing segment decreased by 9% for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 from the same prioryear quarter.

# Corporate Overhead

Unallocated corporate overhead increased by \$3 million, or 10%, for the quarter ended April 29, 2023 compared to the same prior-year quarter, primarily due to higher performance-based compensation as well as various infrastructure investments.

#### **Non-GAAP Measures**

The financial information presented in this Quarterly Report includes non-GAAP financial measures, such as adjusted results and constant currency financial information. For the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, the adjusted results exclude the impact of certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs, asset impairment charges, net gains on lease modifications, loss on extinguishment of debt, non-cash amortization of debt discount of our 2028 Notes, the related income tax effects of these foregoing items, the impact from changes in the income tax law on deferred income taxes in certain tax jurisdictions, as well as certain discrete income tax adjustments related primarily to an intra-entity transfer of intellectual property rights from certain U.S. entities to a wholly-owned Swiss subsidiary, in each case where applicable. These non-GAAP measures are provided in addition to, and not as alternatives for, our reported GAAP results.

These items affect the comparability of our reported results. The financial results are also presented on a non-GAAP basis, as defined in Section 10(e) of Regulation S-K of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), to exclude the effect of these items. We have excluded these items from our adjusted financial measures primarily because we believe these items are not indicative of the underlying performance of our business and the adjusted financial information provided is useful for investors to evaluate the comparability of our operating results and our future outlook (when reviewed in conjunction with our GAAP financial statements).

A reconciliation of reported GAAP results to comparable non-GAAP results follows (in thousands, except per share data):

		Three Mon	ths Ended	<u> </u>
	Ap	r 29, 2023	Apr 30,	2022
Reported GAAP net earnings (loss) attributable to Guess?, Inc.	\$	(11,805)	\$	7,970
Certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs <sup>1</sup>		911		4,417
Asset impairment charges <sup>2</sup>		1,934		1,544
Net gains on lease modifications <sup>3</sup>				(601)
Loss on extinguishment of debt <sup>4</sup>		7,696		_
Amortization of debt discount <sup>5</sup>		25		
Discrete income tax adjustments <sup>6</sup>		248		3,188
Income tax impact from adjustments <sup>7</sup>		(2,496)		(1,281)
Total adjustments affecting net earnings (loss) attributable to Guess?, Inc.		8,318		7,267
Adjusted net earnings (loss) attributable to Guess?, Inc.	\$	(3,487)	\$	15,237
Net earnings (loss) per common share attributable to common stockholders:				
GAAP diluted	\$	(0.22)	\$	0.12
Adjusted diluted	\$	(0.07)	\$	0.24
Weighted average common shares outstanding attributable to common stockholders:				
GAAP diluted		54,348		74,469
Adjusted diluted		54,348		62,718

#### Notes:

- Adjustments represent certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs which we otherwise would not have incurred as part of our business operations.
- 2 Adjustments represent asset impairment charges related primarily to impairment of property and equipment related to certain retail locations resulting from under-performance and expected store closures.
- Adjustments represent net gains on lease modifications related primarily to the early termination of certain lease agreements.
- 4 Adjustments represent loss on extinguishment of debt from a portion of the exchanged 2024 Notes in April 2023.
- In April 2023, we issued \$275 million principal amount of 3.75% convertible senior notes due 2028 in a private offering. The debt discount, which resulted from the modification accounting for a portion of the exchanged 2024 Notes, will be amortized as non-cash interest expense over the term of the 2028 Notes.
- Adjustments represent discrete income taxes related primarily to the impact from changes in the income tax law on deferred income taxes in certain tax jurisdictions and adjustments from an intra-entity transfer of intellectual property rights from certain U.S. entities to a wholly-owned Swiss subsidiary.
- The income tax effect of certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs, asset impairment charges, net gains on lease modifications, loss on extinguishment of debt and amortization of debt discount was based on our assessment of deductibility using the statutory income tax rate (inclusive of the impact of valuation allowances) of the tax jurisdiction in which the charges were incurred.

Our discussion and analysis herein also includes certain constant currency financial information. Foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations affect the amount reported from translating our foreign revenue, expenses and balance sheet amounts into U.S. dollars. These rate fluctuations can have a significant effect on reported operating results under GAAP. We provide constant currency information to enhance the visibility of underlying business trends, excluding the effects of changes in foreign currency translation rates. To calculate net revenue, comparable store sales and earnings (loss) from operations on a constant currency basis, operating results for the current-year period are translated into U.S. dollars at the average exchange rates in effect during the comparable period of the prior year. To calculate balance sheet amounts on a constant currency basis, the current period balance sheet amount is translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate in effect at the comparable prior-year period end. The constant currency calculations do not adjust for the impact of revaluing specific transactions denominated in a currency that is different from the functional currency of that entity when exchange rates fluctuate.

In calculating the estimated impact of currency fluctuations (including translational and transactional impacts) on other measures such as earnings (loss) per share, we estimate gross margin (including the impact of foreign exchange currency contracts designated as cash flow hedges for anticipated merchandise purchases) and expenses using the appropriate prior-year rates, translate the estimated foreign earnings (loss) at the comparable prior-year rates and consider the year-over-year earnings impact of gains or losses arising from balance sheet remeasurement and foreign exchange currency contracts not designated as cash flow hedges for merchandise purchases. The constant currency information presented may not be comparable to similarly titled measures reported by other companies.

# **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

We use our liquidity globally primarily to fund our working capital, occupancy costs, interest and principal payments on our debt, remodeling and rationalization of our retail stores, shop-in-shop programs, concessions, systems, infrastructure, compensation expenses, other existing operations, expansion plans, international growth and potential acquisitions and investments. Generally, our working capital needs are highest during the late summer and fall as our inventories increase before the holiday selling period. In addition, in the U.S., we need liquidity for payment of dividends to our stockholders and to fund share repurchases, if any.

During the three months ended April 29, 2023, we relied primarily on trade credit, available cash, real estate and other operating leases, finance leases, proceeds from our credit facilities and term loans and internally generated funds to finance our operations. We anticipate we will be able to satisfy our ongoing cash requirements for the foreseeable future, including at least the next 12 months, for working capital, capital expenditures, payments on our debt, finance leases and operating leases, as well as lease modification payments, potential acquisitions and investments, expected income tax payments, dividend payments to stockholders and share repurchases, if any, primarily with cash flow from operations and existing cash balances as supplemented by borrowings under our existing credit facilities, proceeds from our term loans and other indebtedness, as needed.

On May 5, 2022, we entered into a €250 million revolving credit facility through a European subsidiary, which replaced certain European short-term borrowing arrangements. As of April 29, 2023, we had approximately \$154.3 million of borrowing capacity on this facility. On December 20, 2022, we entered into an amendment of our senior secured asset-based revolving credit facility, which increased borrowing capacity from \$120 million to \$150 million and extended the maturity date of the credit facility to December 20, 2027. As of April 29, 2023, we had approximately \$127.8 million of borrowing capacity on this facility.

Due to the seasonality of our business and cash needs, we may increase borrowings under our established credit facilities or enter new credit facilities from time-to-time during the next 12 months and beyond. If we experience a sustained decrease in consumer demand, we may require access to additional credit, which may not be available to us on commercially acceptable terms or at all.

In April 2023, we issued \$275 million aggregate principal amount of 2028 Notes and retired approximately \$184.9 million aggregate principal of 2024 Notes in a private offering. We expect to settle the principal amount of our remaining outstanding 2024 Notes in fiscal 2025 and 2028 Notes in fiscal 2029 in cash and any excess in shares. Our outstanding Notes may be converted at the option of the holders as described in "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements – Note 10 – Convertible Senior Notes and Related Transactions" of this Form 10-Q and in "Note 10 – Convertible Senior Notes and Related Transactions" of the Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K. As of April 29, 2023, none of the conditions allowing holders of the Notes to convert had been met. Pursuant to one of these conditions, if our stock trading price exceeds 130% of the conversion price of the Notes (currently approximately \$24.92 per share for the 2024 Notes and \$24.70 for the 2028 Notes) for at least 20 trading days during the 30 consecutive trading-day period ending on, and including, the last trading day of any calendar quarter, holders of the Notes would have the right to convert their convertible notes during the next calendar quarter. In accordance with the terms of the indentures governing the 2024 Notes and the 2028 Notes, we are required to adjust the conversion

rate and the conversion price of the 2024 Notes for quarterly dividends exceeding \$0.1125 per share and of the 2028 Notes for quarterly dividends exceeding 0.225 per share. Upon conversion, we will pay or deliver, as the case may be, cash, shares of our common stock or a combination of cash and shares of our common stock, at our election, in the manner and subject to the terms and conditions provided in the indenture governing the Notes. The convertible note hedge transaction we entered into in connection with our issuance of the Notes is expected generally to reduce the potential dilution upon conversion of the Notes and/or offset any cash payments we are required to make in excess of the principal amount of the Notes that are converted, as the case may be.

We have historically considered the undistributed earnings of our foreign subsidiaries to be indefinitely reinvested. As a result of the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, we had a substantial amount of previously taxed earnings that could be distributed to the U.S. without additional U.S. taxation. As of April 29, 2023, we determined that approximately \$49.2 million of such foreign earnings are not indefinitely reinvested. The incremental tax cost to repatriate these earnings to the U.S. is immaterial. We intend to indefinitely reinvest the remaining earnings from our foreign subsidiaries for which a deferred income tax liability has not already been recorded. We continue to evaluate our plans for reinvestment or repatriation of unremitted foreign earnings and regularly review our cash positions and determination of indefinite reinvestment of foreign earnings. If we determine that all or a portion of such foreign earnings are no longer indefinitely reinvested, we may be subject to additional foreign withholding taxes and U.S. state income taxes, beyond the one-time transition tax.

As of April 29, 2023, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$298.6 million, of which approximately \$127.9 million was held in the U.S. Excess cash and cash equivalents, which represent the majority of our outstanding balance, are held primarily in overnight deposit and short-term time deposit accounts and money market accounts. As of April 29, 2023, we had roughly \$297 million of available global borrowing capacity, bringing our combined cash, cash equivalents and borrowing capacity to nearly \$600 million. Please refer to "Forward-Looking Statements" discussed above, "Part II, Item 1A. Risk Factors" in this Form 10-Q and "Part I, Item 1A. Risk Factors" contained in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2023 for a discussion of risk factors which could reasonably be likely to result in a decrease of internally generated funds available to finance capital expenditures and working capital requirements.

# Three Months Ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022

## **Operating Activities**

Net cash used in operating activities was \$12.7 million for the three months ended April 29, 2023, compared to \$54.6 million for the same prior-year period, or an improvement of \$41.9 million. This improvement was driven primarily by favorable changes in working capital, partially offset by lower net earnings and non-cash adjustments to net earnings compared to the same prior-year period. The favorable changes in working capital were due primarily to improved accounts receivable and inventory management.

### **Investing Activities**

Net cash used in investing activities was \$17.4 million for the three months ended April 29, 2023, compared to \$29.2 million for the same prior-year period. Net cash used in investing activities for the three months ended April 29, 2023 related primarily to investments in existing store remodeling programs and retail expansion and, to a lesser extent, technology and other infrastructure.

The decrease in cash used in investing activities was driven primarily by lower retail remodel and expansion costs and lower investments in technology and other infrastructure during the three months ended April 29, 2023 compared to the same prior-year period. During the three months ended April 29, 2023, we opened eight directly-operated stores compared to 20 directly-operated stores that were opened in the same prior-year period.

# **Financing Activities**

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$53.3 million for the three months ended April 29, 2023, compared to net cash used in financing activities of \$176.8 million for the same prior-year period. Net cash

provided by financing activities for the three months ended April 29, 2023 related primarily to our convertible senior note transactions entered into in April 2023 and increased net borrowings in Europe, partially offset by the impact of share repurchases. Net cash used in financing activities for the three months ended April 30, 2022 was related primarily to our entrance into the 2022 ASR Contract to repurchase an aggregate of \$175 million of our common stock.

## Effect of Exchange Rates on Cash and Cash Equivalents

During the three months ended April 29, 2023, changes in foreign currency translation rates decreased our reported cash and cash equivalents balance by \$0.4 million compared to a decrease of \$7.1 million during the same prior-year period. Refer to "Foreign Currency Volatility" for further information on fluctuations in exchange rates.

# **Working Capital**

As of April 29, 2023, we had net working capital (including cash and cash equivalents) of \$383.6 million compared to \$448.7 million at January 28, 2023 and \$264.9 million at April 30, 2022. Our primary working capital needs are for payments for inventories, salaries and wages, and the current portion of lease liabilities, as well as principal payments on the 2024 Notes.

The accounts receivable balance consists of trade receivables relating primarily to our wholesale business in Europe and, to a lesser extent, to our wholesale businesses in the Americas and Asia, royalty receivables relating to our licensing operations, credit card and retail concession receivables related to our retail businesses and certain other receivables. Accounts receivable decreased by \$9.1 million, or 3.1%, to \$286.3 million as of April 29, 2023, from \$295.4 million at April 30, 2022. On a constant currency basis, accounts receivable decreased by \$15.1 million, or 5.1%, when compared to April 30, 2022. As of April 29, 2023, approximately 44% of our total net trade receivables and 55% of our European net trade receivables were subject to credit insurance coverage, certain bank guarantees or letters of credit for collection purposes. Our credit insurance coverage contains certain terms and conditions specifying deductibles and annual claim limits.

Inventory increased by \$45.0 million, or 9.3%, to \$528.9 million as of April 29, 2023, from \$483.9 million at April 30, 2022. On a constant currency basis, inventory increased by \$38.8 million, or 8.0%, when compared to April 30, 2022, driven primarily by the residual effect of last year's initiative to mitigate supply chain disruptions, including accelerating product orders, as well as higher average unit costs due to the elevation of the quality of our products, our investments in sustainability and inflationary pressures.

# Capital Expenditures

Gross capital expenditures totaled \$17.3 million, before deducting lease incentives of \$0.5 million, for the three months ended April 29, 2023. This compares to gross capital expenditures of \$28.7 million for the same prior-year period.

We will periodically evaluate strategic acquisitions and alliances and pursue those we believe will support and contribute to our overall growth initiatives and/or will leverage our global infrastructure and network of licensees and wholesale partners.

## **Dividends**

On May 24, 2023, we announced an increase to our regular quarterly cash dividend from \$0.225 to \$0.30 per share on our common stock. The cash dividend will be paid on June 23, 2023 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on June 7, 2023. In accordance with the terms of the indentures governing the Notes, we will adjust the conversion rate (which is expected to increase) and the conversion price (which is expected to decrease) of the Notes effective as of June 6, 2023. A corresponding adjustment is expected to be made to the strike prices with respect to the convertible note hedges and the warrants entered into by the Company in connection with the offering of the corresponding Notes, each of which will be decreased in accordance with the terms of the applicable convertible note hedge confirmations and warrant confirmations.

Decisions on whether, when and in what amounts to continue making any future dividend distributions will remain at all times entirely at the discretion of our Board of Directors, which reserves the right to change or terminate our dividend practices at any time and for any reason without prior notice. The payment of cash dividends in the future will be based upon a number of business, legal and other considerations, including our cash flow from operations, capital expenditures, debt service and covenant requirements, cash paid for income taxes, earnings, share repurchases, economic conditions and U.S. and global liquidity.

## **Share Repurchases**

During fiscal 2022, the Board of Directors terminated its previous 2012 \$500 million share repurchase program and authorized a new \$200 million share repurchase program (the "2021 Share Repurchase Program"). On March 14, 2022, the Board of Directors expanded its repurchase authorization by \$100 million. Repurchases may be made on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plans or other available means. There is no minimum or maximum number of shares to be repurchased under the program and the program may be discontinued at any time, without prior notice.

During April 2023, in connection with the exchange and subscription offering related to the 2024 Notes and the 2028 Notes, we repurchased approximately 2.2 million shares of our common stock for \$42.8 million, including excise tax, through broker-assisted market transactions, pursuant to our 2021 Share Repurchase Program.

During the three months ended April 29, 2023, we did not make any share repurchases other than the aforementioned transactions. During the three months ended April 30, 2022, we repurchased 3.8 million shares under our 2021 Share Repurchase Program at an aggregate cost of \$81.7 million, which is inclusive of the shares repurchased under the 2022 ASR Contract. As of April 29, 2023, we had remaining authority under the 2021 Share Repurchase Program to purchase \$19.7 million of our common stock.

# Borrowings and Finance Lease Obligations and Convertible Senior Notes

In April 2023, we issued \$275 million principal amount of the 2028 Notes in a private placement pursuant to separate, privately negotiated exchange and subscription agreements, pursuant to which, we exchanged approximately \$184.9 million in aggregate principal amount of the 2024 Notes for \$163.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the 2028 Notes and an aggregate of approximately \$33.3 million in cash, and issued \$112.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the 2028 Notes for cash at par. Immediately following the closing of the transactions, \$115.1 million in aggregate principal amount of the 2024 Notes remained outstanding. Refer to "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements – Note 10 – Convertible Senior Notes and Related Transactions" in this Form 10-O for disclosures about convertible senior notes and related transactions.

In addition, refer to "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements – Note 9 – Borrowings and Finance Lease Obligations" in this Form 10-Q for disclosures about our borrowings and finance lease obligations.

# Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan

As a non-qualified pension plan, no dedicated funding of our SERP is required; however, we have made periodic payments into insurance policies held in a rabbi trust to fund the expected obligations arising under the non-qualified SERP.

The cash surrender values of the insurance policies were \$64.0 million and \$64.4 million as of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, respectively, and were included in other assets in our condensed consolidated balance sheets. As a result of changes in the value of the insurance policy investments, we recorded unrealized gains of \$0.1 million and unrealized losses of \$3.3 million in other income and expense during the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, respectively. The projected benefit obligation was \$42.3 million and \$42.4 million as of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, respectively, and was included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities and other long-term liabilities in our condensed consolidated balance sheets depending on the expected timing of payments. SERP benefit payments of \$0.5 million were made during each of the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, respectively.

## **Material Cash Requirements**

As of April 29, 2023, except as disclosed above, there were no material changes to our material cash requirements from known contractual and other obligations, including commitments for capital expenditures, outside the ordinary course of business compared to the disclosures included under "Liquidity and Capital Resources - Material Cash Requirements" in Part II, Item 7 in our Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2023. Refer to "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements – Note 9 – Borrowings and Finance Lease Obligations" and "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements – Note 10 – Convertible Senior Notes and Related Transactions" for further information.

## **Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Our critical accounting policies reflecting our estimates and judgments are described in "Part II, Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2023 filed with the SEC on March 24, 2023. There have been no significant changes to our critical accounting policies since the filing of our Annual Report on Form 10-K.

# **Recently Issued Accounting Guidance**

Refer to "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements – Note 1 – Basis of Presentation" for disclosures about recently issued accounting guidance.

## ITEM 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

## Exchange Rate Risk

More than two-thirds of product sales recorded for the three months ended April 29, 2023 were denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar. Our primary exchange rate risk relates to operations in Europe, Canada, South Korea, China, Hong Kong and Mexico. Changes in currencies affect our earnings in various ways. For further discussion on currency-related risk, please refer to our risk factors under "Part I, Item 1A. Risk Factors" contained in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2023.

## Foreign Currency Transaction Gains and Losses

Transaction gains and losses that arise from exchange rate fluctuations on transactions denominated in a currency other than the functional currency, including gains and losses on foreign exchange currency contracts (see below), are included in the condensed consolidated statements of income (loss). Net realized and unrealized foreign currency transaction gains of \$2.9 million and losses of \$10.6 million were included in the determination of net earnings (loss) for the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, respectively.

# Foreign Exchange Currency Contract Sensitivity Analysis

As of April 29, 2023, a sensitivity analysis of changes in foreign currencies when measured against the U.S. dollar indicates that, if the U.S. dollar had uniformly weakened by 10% against all of the U.S. dollar denominated foreign exchange derivatives totaling US\$289.0 million, the fair value of the instruments would have decreased by \$32.1 million. Conversely, if the U.S. dollar uniformly strengthened by 10% against all of the U.S. dollar denominated foreign exchange derivatives, the fair value of these instruments would have increased by \$26.3 million. Any resulting changes in the fair value of the hedged instruments may be partially offset by changes in the fair value of certain balance sheet positions (primarily U.S. dollar denominated liabilities in our foreign operations) impacted by the change in the foreign currency rate. The ability to reduce the exposure of currencies on earnings depends on the magnitude of the derivatives compared to the balance sheet positions during each reporting cycle.

# Interest Rate Risk

We are exposed to interest rate risk on our floating-rate debt. We have entered into interest rate swap agreements for certain of these agreements to effectively convert our floating-rate debt to a fixed-rate basis. The principal objective of these contracts is to eliminate or reduce the variability of the cash flows in interest payments associated with our floating-rate debt, thus reducing the impact of interest rate changes on future interest payment cash flows. We have elected to apply the hedge accounting rules in accordance with authoritative guidance for certain of these contracts.

In April 2023, we issued \$275 million aggregate principal amount of 2028 Notes and retired approximately \$184.9 million aggregate principal of 2024 Notes in a private offering, leaving approximately \$115.1 million aggregate principal amount of 2024 Notes outstanding at April 29, 2023. The fair value of the Notes is subject to interest rate risk, market risk and other factors due to its conversion feature. The fair value of the Notes will generally increase as our common stock price increases and will generally decrease as our common stock price declines. The interest and market value changes affect the fair value of the Notes but do not impact our financial position, cash flows or results of operations due to the fixed nature of the debt obligation. Additionally, we carry the Notes at face value, less any unamortized debt issuance costs on our balance sheet and we present the fair value for disclosure purposes only.

# Interest Rate Swap Agreement Sensitivity Analysis

As of April 29, 2023, we had borrowings under our credit facility arrangements of \$139.7 million which are based on variable rates of interest. Accordingly, changes in interest rates would impact our results of operations in future periods. A 100 basis point increase in interest rates would not have had a significant effect on interest expense for the three months ended April 29, 2023.

As of April 29, 2023, we had indebtedness related to term loans of \$19.3 million, finance lease obligations of \$18.9 million and the Mortgage Debt of \$17.0 million. The term loans provide for annual interest rates ranging between 1.3% to 5.2%. The finance lease obligations are based on fixed interest rates derived from the respective agreements. For the three months ended April 29, 2023 and April 30, 2022, the interest rate on the Mortgage Debt was a variable rate based on LIBOR. In May 2023, the Company amended the terms of the Mortgage Debt for the interest rate to be based on SOFR effective May 1, 2023. The Company also amended its existing interest rate swap agreement, resulting in a swap fixed rate of approximately 3.14% that matures in January 2026 (prior to this amendment, the agreement resulted in a swap fixed rate of approximately 3.06%). The interest rate swap agreement is designated as a cash flow hedge and converts the nature of our Mortgage Debt from SOFR floating-rate debt to fixed-rate debt.

The fair values of our debt instruments are based on the amount of future cash flows associated with each instrument discounted using our incremental borrowing rate. As of April 29, 2023 and January 28, 2023, the carrying value was not materially different from fair value, as the interest rates on our debt approximated rates currently available to us. The fair value of the Notes is determined based on inputs that are observable in the market and have been classified as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.

### ITEM 4. Controls and Procedures.

Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, we conducted an evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures, as such term is defined under Rule 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Based on this evaluation, our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the quarterly period covered by this report.

There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting during the first quarter of fiscal 2024 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

#### ITEM 1. Legal Proceedings.

Refer to "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements – Note 13 – Commitments and Contingencies" in this Form 10-Q for disclosures about our legal and other proceedings.

#### ITEM 1A. Risk Factors.

Other than the risk factors noted below, there have not been any material changes in the Risk Factors as previously disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 28, 2023 filed with the SEC on March 24, 2023.

We may be unable to raise the funds necessary to repurchase our \$115 million 2.0% convertible senior notes due 2024 (the "2024 Notes") or our \$275 million 3.75% convertible senior notes due 2028 (the "2028 Notes", and together with the 2024 Notes, the "Notes") for cash following a fundamental change, or to pay any cash amounts due upon conversion, and our other indebtedness may limit our ability to repurchase the Notes or pay cash upon their conversion.

Holders of our 2024 Notes and 2028 Notes may require us to repurchase their Notes following a fundamental change, at a cash repurchase price generally equal to the principal amount of the applicable series of Notes to be repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any. In addition, upon conversion, we will satisfy part or all of our conversion obligation in cash unless we elect to settle conversions solely in shares of our common stock. We will be required to repay each series of Notes in cash at their respective maturity, unless earlier converted or repurchased. We may not have enough available cash or be able to obtain financing at the time we are required to repurchase each series of Notes or pay the cash amounts due upon conversion. In addition, applicable law, regulatory authorities and the agreements governing our other indebtedness, including our current credit facilities and other agreements we may enter into in the future, may restrict our ability to make payments on each series of Notes other than scheduled principal and interest, and as a result, upon a fundamental change we may not be able to repurchase any or all of the Notes and upon any conversions of the applicable series of Notes may be unable to pay the cash amounts, if any, then due. Our inability to satisfy our obligations under the Notes could affect the terms of other financial obligations, harm our reputation and affect the trading price of our common stock.

Our failure to repurchase any or all of each series of Notes or to pay the cash amounts due upon conversion or at maturity when required will constitute a default under the indenture relating to the 2024 Notes (the "2024 Indenture") or the indenture relating to the 2028 Notes (the "2028 Indenture", and together with the 2024 Indenture, the "Indentures"). A default under the Indentures or the fundamental change itself could also lead to a default under agreements governing the Notes and our other indebtedness, which may result in that other indebtedness becoming immediately payable in full. We may not have sufficient funds to satisfy all amounts due under the other indebtedness and the Notes.

### Provisions in the Indentures for the 2024 Notes and the 2028 Notes could delay or prevent an otherwise beneficial takeover of us.

Certain provisions in the Indentures for the 2024 Notes and the 2028 Notes could make a third-party attempt to acquire us more difficult or expensive. If a takeover constitutes a fundamental change, then noteholders will have the right to require us to repurchase their respective Notes for cash. In addition, if a takeover constitutes a make-whole fundamental change, then we may be required to temporarily increase the conversion rate. As well, each of the Indentures prohibits us from engaging in certain mergers or acquisitions unless, among other things, the surviving entity assumes our obligations under the Notes. In such cases, and in other cases, our obligations under the Notes and the Indentures could increase the cost of acquiring us or otherwise discourage a third-party from acquiring us or removing incumbent management, including in a transaction that noteholders or holders of our common stock may view as favorable.

# The conditional conversion feature of the 2024 Notes and the 2028 Notes, if triggered, may adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

In the event the conditional conversion feature of the 2024 Notes or the 2028 Notes is triggered, noteholders will be entitled to convert their respective Notes at any time during specified periods at their option. If one or more noteholders elect to convert their respective Notes, unless we elect to satisfy our conversion obligation by delivering solely shares of our common stock, we would be required to settle all or a portion of the conversion obligation through the payment of cash, which could adversely affect our liquidity. Even if noteholders do not elect to convert their respective Notes, we could be required under applicable accounting rules to reclassify all or a portion of the outstanding principal of the applicable series of Notes as a current liability, which would result in a material reduction of our net working capital.

# The Notes' hedge and warrant transactions may affect the value of the Notes and our common stock.

In connection with the offering of the 2024 Notes and the 2028 Notes, we entered into convertible note hedge transactions with hedge counterparties. At the time of each offering, the applicable convertible note hedge transactions covered, subject to anti-dilution adjustments substantially similar to those applicable to the respective Notes, the number of shares of common stock that initially underlay the Notes. Concurrently with the convertible note hedge transactions related to each offering, we also entered into warrant transactions with the hedge counterparties relating to the same number of shares of our common stock, subject to customary antidilution adjustments. In connection with the retirement of \$184.9 million in principal amount of the 2024 Notes in April 2023, we entered into Partial Termination Agreements with the relevant hedge counterparties to unwind a portion of the convertible note transactions and warrant transactions we initially entered into in connection with the issuance of the 2024 Notes. The notional amount of the remaining portion of the convertible note hedge transactions and warrant transactions in connection with the 2024 Notes corresponded to the approximately \$115.1 million in aggregate principal amount of the 2024 Notes that remained outstanding at that time. The convertible note hedge transactions are expected generally to reduce the potential dilution upon conversion of the Notes and/or offset any cash payments we are required to make in excess of the principal amount of converted Notes, as the case may be. However, the warrant transactions could separately have a dilutive effect on our common stock to the extent that the market price per share of our common stock at maturity exceeds the strike price of the warrants.

It is our understanding that in connection with establishing their initial hedges of the convertible note hedge and warrant transactions, the hedge counterparties or affiliates thereof entered into various derivative transactions with respect to our common stock concurrently with or shortly after the pricing of the respective Notes, and may have unwound these derivative transactions and purchased shares of our common stock in open market transactions shortly following the pricing of the respective Notes. These activities could have increased (or reduced the size of any decrease in) the market price of our common stock or the Notes at that time. In addition, the hedge counterparties or affiliates thereof may modify their hedge positions by entering into or unwinding various derivatives with respect to our common stock and/or purchasing or selling our common stock or other securities of ours in secondary market or privately negotiated transactions prior to the maturity of the Notes (and are likely to do so during any observation period related to a conversion of Notes). This activity could also cause or avoid an increase or a decrease in the market price of our common stock or the Notes.

# ITEM 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

Items (a) and (b) are not applicable.

Item (c). Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Our share repurchases during each fiscal month of the first quarter of fiscal 2024 were as follows:

<u>Period</u>	Total Number of Shares Purchased	werage Price aid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	N	Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
January 29, 2023 to February 25, 2023		 _			
Repurchase program <sup>1</sup>	_			\$	62,267,634
Employee transactions <sup>2</sup>	226	\$ 23.39	<del>_</del>		
February 26, 2023 to April 1, 2023					
Repurchase program <sup>1</sup>	_	_	_	\$	62,267,634
Employee transactions <sup>2</sup>	509	\$ 18.96			
April 2, 2023 to April 29, 2023					
Repurchase program <sup>1</sup>	2,237,872	\$ 19.00	2,237,872	\$	19,748,066
Employee transactions <sup>2</sup>	<del>-</del>	<del></del>	<del>_</del>		
Total					
Repurchase program <sup>1</sup>	2,237,872	\$ 19.00	2,237,872		
Employee transactions <sup>2</sup>	735	\$ 20.32			

#### Notes:

Repurchases may be made on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plans or other available means. There is no minimum or maximum number of shares to be repurchased under the program and the program may be discontinued at any time, without prior notice.

During fiscal 2022, the Board of Directors terminated our previous 2012 \$500 million share repurchase program (which had \$47.8 million capacity remaining) and authorized a new \$200 million share repurchase program. On March 14, 2022, the Board of Directors expanded the repurchase authorization by \$100 million, leaving an available capacity of \$249.0 million at that time

Consists of shares surrendered to, or withheld by, us in satisfaction of employee tax withholding obligations that occur upon vesting of restricted stock awards granted under our 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended.

#### ITEM 6. Exhibits.

#### Exhibit Number **Description** Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Amendment No. 3 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Registration No. 333-4419) filed July 30, 1996). Certificate of Amendment, dated June 24, 2021, to the Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Guess?, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 30, 2021). Fourth Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 30, 2021). Indenture, dated as of April 17, 2023, between the Company and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee (including form of 3.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2028) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 18, 2023). Amendment to Employment Agreement, dated March 31, 2023, between Guess?, Inc. and Dennis Secor (incorporated by \*10.1. reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 31, 2023). Employment Agreement, dated April 27, 2023, between Guess? Europe SAGL and Markus Neubrand (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 2, 2023). \*10.2. Performance Share Award Agreement (total shareholder return), dated as of May 12, 2023, for Carlos Alberini and Fabrice \*†10.3. Benarouche. \*†10.4. Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (operating earnings), dated as of May 12, 2023, for Carlos Alberini and Fabrice Benarouche. Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (licensing and company earnings from operations), dated as of May 12, 2023, for Paul \*†10.5. 10.6. Amendment Number One to Amended & Restated Loan, Guaranty and Security Agreement, dated as of December 20, 2022, by and among Guess?, Inc., Guess? Retail, Inc., Guess.com, Inc., Guess? Canada Corporation, the guarantors party thereto, Bank of America, N.A., as agent for the lenders, and each of the lenders party thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 13, 2023). Voting Agreement, dated April 12, 2023, among Guess?, Inc., Paul Marciano and the Paul Marciano Trust (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 13, 2023). Voting Agreement, dated April 12, 2023, among Guess?, Inc., Maurice Marciano and the Maurice Marciano Trust (incorporated 10.8. by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 13, 2023). <u>10.9.</u> Form of Call Option Confirmation between the Company and each Option Counterparty (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 18, 2023). Form of Warrant Confirmation between the Company and each Option Counterparty (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 10.10. to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 18, 2023). †31.1. Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. †31.2. Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. ††32.1. Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

- Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. ††32.2.
- †101.INS XBRL Instance Document - the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.
- †101.SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document

Exhibit Number	Description
†101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
†101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
†101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
†101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
†104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101)

- \* Management Contract or Compensatory Plan
- † Filed herewith
- †† Furnished herewith

# **SIGNATURES**

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.

Guess?, Inc.

Date: June 2, 2023 By: /s/ CARLOS ALBERINI

Carlos Alberini

Chief Executive Officer

Date: June 2, 2023 By: /s/ DENNIS SECOR

**Dennis Secor** 

Interim Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

## PERFORMANCE SHARE AWARD AGREEMENT (TSR)

This <b>PERFORMANCE SHARE AWARD AGREEMENT</b> (this "Agreement"), dated as of [	], 2023 (the '	' <u>Date of</u>
<u>Grant</u> "), is entered into by and between GUESS?, INC., a Delaware corporation (the " <u>Company</u> "), and [Car	los Alberini /	Markus
Neubrand / Fabrice Benarouche] (the " <u>Grantee</u> ").		

# **RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, the Company maintains the Guess?, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (as Amended and Restated as of March 26, 2022) (the "<u>Plan</u>").

**WHEREAS**, the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board (the "<u>Committee</u>") has determined to grant performance-based restricted stock units (this "<u>Award</u>") to the Grantee under the Plan in order to increase Grantee's participation in the success of the Company;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Definitions; Incorporation of Plan Terms</u>. Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Plan [*Add for Mr. Alberini's award:*], except where a capitalized term is defined in the Executive Employment Agreement between the Company and the Grantee, entered into January 27, 2019, as amended (the "<u>Employment Agreement</u>"), and this Agreement indicates the definition used in the Employment Agreement shall apply for purposes of this Agreement as well]. This Award and all rights of the Grantee under this Agreement are subject to, and the Grantee agrees to be bound by, all of the terms and conditions of the Plan, incorporated herein by this reference. Except as specifically provided in this Agreement, in the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement, the Plan shall govern.
- 2. Grant of Restricted Stock Units. The Company hereby grants to the Grantee as of the Date of Grant (set forth above) a right to receive a "target" of [\_\_\_\_\_\_] shares of the Company's common stock subject to the terms, conditions, and restrictions set forth herein (the "Restricted Stock Units," and such target number of Restricted Stock Units, the "Target Number of Restricted Stock Units"). As used herein, the term "Restricted Stock Unit" shall mean a non-voting unit of measurement which is deemed for bookkeeping purposes to be equivalent to one outstanding share of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), solely for purposes of the Plan and this Agreement. The Restricted Stock Units shall be used solely as a device for the determination of the number of shares of Common Stock to eventually be delivered to the Grantee if such Restricted Stock Units vest pursuant to this Agreement. The Restricted Stock Units shall not be treated as property or as a trust fund of any kind. The Grantee shall have no rights as a shareholder of the Company, no dividend rights (except as expressly provided in Section 4 with respect to Dividend Equivalent rights) and no voting rights with respect to the Restricted Stock Units and any shares of Common Stock underlying or issuable in respect of such Restricted Stock Units ("Award

<u>Shares</u>") until such shares of Common Stock are actually issued to and held of record by the Grantee. This Award, together with the other equity awards granted by the Company to the Grantee on or about the Date of Grant, is in complete satisfaction of the Grantee's right to receive stock options or other equity-based awards from the Company with respect to the Company's 2024 fiscal year.

## 3. Vesting.

A. Subject to Section 3(B) below and except as otherwise expressly provided in Sections 7 and 8 herein, this Award shall vest and become nonforfeitable on the last day of the Performance Period (as defined below) (the "Vesting Date"); provided that the Grantee has been continuously in Service with the Company from the Date of Grant through the Vesting Date. Except as specifically provided herein, Service for only a portion of the vesting period, even if a substantial portion, will not entitle the Grantee to any proportionate vesting. The number of Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award that vest will be equal to the Target Number of Restricted Stock Units multiplied by a "Vesting Percentage" determined based on the Company's TSR Percentile (as defined below) for the Performance Period in accordance with the following table:

TSR Percentile for the Performa	nce
Period	

Period	Vesting Percentage
Below 25th TSR Percentile	0%
25th TSR Percentile	25%
50th TSR Percentile	100%
75th TSR Percentile and Above	150%

If the Company's TSR Percentile for the Performance Period is between two points in the preceding table, the Vesting Percentage will be determined by linear interpolation between the Vesting Percentages for those two levels. In no event will the Vesting Percentage be greater than one hundred fifty percent (150%).

Not later than seventy four (74) days after the end of the Performance Period, the Committee will certify, by resolution or other appropriate action in writing, the Vesting Percentage that has been achieved and the number of Restricted Stock Units that vest pursuant to this Section 3(A) (or Sections 7 and 8, as applicable) based on the satisfaction of the performance criteria above. Such number of Restricted Stock Units that vest will be rounded to the nearest whole unit and are referred to herein as the "Vested Restricted Stock Units." Restricted Stock Units that are not Vested Restricted Stock Units, after giving effect to the foregoing provisions and Section 3(B), as of the last day of the Performance Period shall immediately terminate and be cancelled. As used herein, the term "Service" means employment by the Company or a Subsidiary.

B. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the number of Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award that become Vested Restricted Stock Units shall not exceed the number of Restricted Stock Units determined by dividing [For Mr. Alberini's award - \$9,200,000; For Mr. Neubrand's award -

four times the Date of Grant fair value of this Award (as determined by the Company for financial statement reporting purposes); *for Mr. Benarouche's award* - \$468,000] by the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the applicable vesting date. In the event that such limit is exceeded, the number of Restricted Stock Units that would otherwise be Vested Restricted Stock Units pursuant to Section 3(A) shall be reduced to the extent necessary such that the actual number of Vested Restricted Stock Units does not exceed such limit.

- C. For purposes of this Award, the following definitions shall apply:
  - i. "<u>Performance Period</u>" means the period of time beginning with the first day of the Company's fiscal year 2024 and ending with the last day of the Company's fiscal year 2026.
  - ii. "<u>TSR Percentile</u>" means the percentile ranking of the Company's TSR among the TSRs for the Company Peer Group members for the Performance Period.
  - iii. "TSR" means total shareholder return and shall be determined with respect to the Company and any other Company Peer Group member by dividing: (a) the sum of (1) the difference obtained by subtracting the applicable Beginning Price from the applicable Ending Price plus (2) all dividends and other distributions as to which the ex-dividend date occurs during the Performance Period (for purposes of clarity, without duplicating any dividends and other distributions as to which the ex-dividend date occurs during the period of twenty (20) consecutive trading days ending on the last trading day of the Performance Period that are taken into account in the determination of Ending Price) by (b) the Beginning Price. Any non-cash distributions shall be ascribed such dollar value as may be determined by or at the direction of the Committee. For the purpose of determining TSR, the value of dividends and other distributions shall be determined by treating them as reinvested in additional shares of stock at the closing market price on the corresponding ex-dividend date.
  - iv. "Beginning Price" means, with respect to the Company and any other Company Peer Group member, the average of the closing market prices of such company's common stock on the principal exchange on which such stock is traded for the twenty (20) consecutive trading days beginning with the first trading day of the Performance Period. For the purpose of determining Beginning Price, the value of dividends and other distributions shall be determined by treating them as reinvested in additional shares of stock at the closing market price on the corresponding ex-dividend date.
  - v. "Ending Price" means, with respect to the Company and any other Company Peer Group member, the average of the closing market prices of such company's common stock on the principal exchange on which such stock is traded for the twenty (20) consecutive trading days ending on the last trading day of the Performance Period. For the purpose of determining Ending Price, the value of dividends and other distributions

shall be determined by treating them as reinvested in additional shares of stock at the closing market price on the corresponding ex-dividend date.

# vi. "Company Peer Group" means the Company and each of the following companies:

Abercrombie & Fitch Co. Fossil Group, Inc.
American Eagle Outfitters, Inc. The Gap, Inc.
Capri Holdings Levi Straus and Co.
Chico's FAS, Inc. lululemon athletica inc.

The Children's Place, Inc. PVH Corp.

Columbia Sportswear Company Ralph Lauren Corporation

Deckers Outdoor Corporation Tapestry, Inc.

Express, Inc. Urban Outfitters, Inc.

The Company Peer Group shall be subject to adjustment by the Committee for changes that occur prior to the end of the Performance Period as follows: In the event of a merger or other business combination of a Company Peer Group member (including, without limitation, the acquisition of a Company Peer Group member, or all or substantially all of its assets, by a separate entity), such Company Peer Group member shall be excluded from the Company Peer Group; provided, however, that in the event of a merger or other business combination of two Company Peer Group members (including, without limitation, the acquisition of one Company Peer Group member, or all or substantially all of its assets, by another Company Peer Group member), the surviving, resulting or successor entity, as the case may be, shall continue to be treated as a member of the Company Peer Group, provided that the common stock (or similar equity security) of such entity is listed or traded on a national securities exchange as of the end of the Performance Period. In the event a member of the Company Peer Group files for bankruptcy or liquidates, such company shall continue to be treated as a Company Peer Group member; provided that such company's Ending Price will be treated as \$0 if the company is no longer listed or traded on a national securities exchange as of the end of the Performance Period. Other than as provided above, in the event that the common stock (or similar equity security) of a Company Peer Group member is otherwise not listed or traded on a national securities exchange at the end of the Performance Period, such entity shall be excluded from the Company Peer Group.

With respect to the computation of TSR, Beginning Price, and Ending Price, there shall also be an equitable and proportionate adjustment to the extent (if any) necessary to preserve the intended incentives of this Award and mitigate the impact of any stock split, stock dividend or reverse stock split occurring during the Performance Period (or during the applicable

20-day period in determining Beginning Price or Ending Price, as the case may be). The Committee's determination of whether such an adjustment is required (and the extent of any such adjustment) shall be final and binding.

- 4. <u>Dividend Equivalents</u>. If a cash dividend is paid with respect to the Common Stock during the Performance Period and while any Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award are outstanding, the Grantee shall be credited with an amount in cash equal to the dividends the Grantee would have received if he had been the owner of the shares of Common Stock subject to the outstanding Target Number of Restricted Stock Units; provided, however, that no amount shall be credited with respect to shares that have been delivered to the Grantee as of the applicable dividend record date. Any amounts credited under this Section 4 ("<u>Dividend Equivalents</u>") shall be subject to the same terms and conditions as the Restricted Stock Units to which they relate (including, without limitation, application of the applicable Vesting Percentage) and shall vest and be paid (or, if applicable, be forfeited) at the same time as the Restricted Stock Units to which they relate.
- 5. <u>Delivery of Shares</u>. The Company shall deliver or cause to be delivered to the Grantee the number of Award Shares subject to any Restricted Stock Units that vest pursuant to the terms hereof as soon as administratively practicable after (and in no event later than 74 days following) the corresponding date on which such Restricted Stock Units vest (whether on the Vesting Date or the applicable date of vesting pursuant to Section 7 or Section 8). Any Dividend Equivalents described in Section 4 above related to such Award Shares shall be paid in cash at the same time as the delivery of the Award Shares under this Section 5.
- 6. No Restriction on Right of Company to Effect Corporate Changes; Adjustments Upon Specified Events. Neither the grant of the Award, the Plan nor this Award Agreement shall affect or restrict in any way the right or power of the Company or its shareholders to make or authorize any adjustment, recapitalization, reorganization or other change in the capital structure or business of the Company, or any merger or consolidation of the Company, or any issue of stock or of options, warrants or rights to purchase stock or of bonds, debentures, preferred or prior preference stocks whose rights are superior to or affect the Common Stock or the rights thereof or which are convertible into or exchangeable for Common Stock, or the dissolution or liquidation of the Company, or any sale or transfer of all or any part of the assets or business of the Company, or any other corporate act or proceeding, whether of a similar character or otherwise.

Upon the occurrence of certain events relating to the Company's Common Stock contemplated by Section 16(b) of the Plan, the Committee will make adjustments, if appropriate, in the number of Restricted Stock Units and the number and kind of securities subject to this Award.

## 7. Effect of Certain Cessations of Service.

## [Add the following clauses A through D in the award for Mr. Alberini:

- If, at any time prior to the Vesting Date, the Grantee's Service is terminated by the Company without "Cause" (as defined in the Employment Agreement), by the Grantee for "Good Reason" (as defined in the Employment Agreement), or upon expiration of the "Employment Term" (as defined in the Employment Agreement) then in effect by reason of the Company's delivery of a non-renewal notice pursuant to Section 2 of the Employment Agreement if the Company did not have Cause to deliver such non-renewal notice (such termination of employment, a "Qualifying Termination"), and such a Qualifying Termination occurs outside the Change in Control Window described in Section 7(B) below, the Target Number of Restricted Stock Units shall be pro-rated by multiplying the Target Number of Restricted Stock Units by the "Equity Award Pro-Rata Fraction." For purposes of this Award, the "Equity Award Pro-Rata Fraction" means the fraction obtained by dividing (i) the total number of days the Grantee was employed by the Company between the first day of the Performance Period and the date of the termination of the Grantee's employment, by (ii) the total number of days in the Performance Period. Such pro-rated number of Target Number of Restricted Stock Units shall remain outstanding and eligible to vest on the Vesting Date based on the Vesting Percentage determined under Section 3(A) as though the Grantee's employment had not been terminated. If a Change in Control occurs after the date of the Qualifying Termination and before the Vesting Date, Section 8(A) shall apply to the Award, and the pro-rata vesting provision of this Section 7(A) shall be given effect in calculating the number of Restricted Stock Units that vest on the Change in Control. If a Change in Control occurs before the date of the Qualifying Termination and a Qualifying Termination occurs before the Vesting Date, the pro-rata vesting provision of this Section 7(A) shall be given effect after taking Section 8 into account, and any Restricted Stock Units that vest as a result shall vest as of the Qualifying Termination.
- B. If, at any time prior to the Vesting Date, the Grantee's Service is terminated in a Qualifying Termination that occurs within twelve (12) months before, upon, or within two (2) years after a Change in Control (such period, the "Change in Control Window"), Section 8(C) below shall apply to the Award (and in such circumstances Section 7(A) shall not apply to the Award).
- C. If, at any time prior to the Vesting Date, the Grantee's Service is terminated due to the Grantee's death or "Disability" (as such term is defined in the Employment Agreement), the Target Number of Restricted Stock Units shall be prorated by multiplying the Target Number of Restricted Stock Units by the Equity Award Pro-Rata Fraction. Such pro-rated number of Target Number of Restricted Stock Units shall remain outstanding and eligible to vest on the Vesting Date based on the Vesting

Percentage determined under Section 3(A) as though the Grantee's employment had not been terminated. If a Change in Control occurs after the date of such a termination of Service and before the Vesting Date, Section 8(A) shall apply to the Award, and the pro-rata vesting provision of this Section 7(C) shall be given effect in calculating the number of Restricted Stock Units that vest on the Change in Control. If a Change in Control occurs before the date of such a termination of Service and such a termination of Service occurs before the Vesting Date, the prorata vesting provision of this Section 7(C) shall be given effect after taking Section 8 into account, and any Restricted Stock Units that vest as a result shall vest as of the date of such termination of Service.

D. If the Grantee's Service terminates for any other reason, this Award and the Restricted Stock Units subject hereto, to the extent outstanding and unvested as of the date of such termination of Service, shall terminate and be cancelled as of the date of such termination of Service. Sections 14(a) and 14(b) of the Plan shall not apply to this Award.]

# [Add the following clauses A and B in the awards for Messrs. Neubrand and Benarouche:

- A. If, at any time prior to the Vesting Date, the Grantee's Service is terminated due to the Grantee's death or Disability, the Target Number of Restricted Stock Units shall be pro-rated by multiplying the Target Number of Restricted Stock Units by the Equity Award Pro-Rata Fraction (as defined below). Such pro-rated number of Target Number of Restricted Stock Units shall remain outstanding and eligible to vest on the Vesting Date based on the Vesting Percentage determined under Section 3(A) as though the Grantee's employment had not been terminated. If a Change in Control occurs after the date of such a termination of Service and before the Vesting Date, Section 8(A) shall apply to the Award, and the pro-rata vesting provision of this Section 7(A) shall be given effect in calculating the number of Restricted Stock Units that vest on the Change in Control. If a Change in Control occurs before the date of such a termination of Service and such a termination of Service occurs before the Vesting Date, the pro-rata vesting provision of this Section 7(A) shall be given effect after taking Section 8 into account, and any Restricted Stock Units that vest as a result shall vest as of the date of such termination of Service. For purposes of this Award, the "Equity Award Pro-Rata Fraction" means the fraction obtained by dividing (i) the total number of days the Grantee was employed by the Company between the first day of the Performance Period and the date of the termination of the Grantee's employment, by (ii) the total number of days in the Performance Period.
- B. If the Grantee's Service terminates for any other reason, this Award and the Restricted Stock Units subject hereto, to the extent outstanding and unvested as of the date of such termination of Service, shall terminate and be cancelled as of the date of such termination of Service. Sections 14(a) and 14(b) of the Plan shall not apply to this Award.]

- 8. <u>Change in Control</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 3, Section 5 or Section 7 of this Agreement or any provision of the Plan, the following provisions shall apply upon a Change in Control:
  - A. If a Change in Control occurs and this Award (to the extent outstanding) is <u>not</u> continued following such event or assumed or converted into restricted stock units of any successor entity to the Company or a parent thereof (the "<u>Successor Entity</u>"), this Award will vest as of the date of such Change in Control with respect to a number of Restricted Stock Units determined as follows:
    - i. If the Change in Control occurs during the Company's 2024 fiscal year, this Award shall be become vested as to the Target Number of Restricted Stock Units.
    - ii. If the Change in Control occurs during the Company's 2025 fiscal year or 2026 fiscal year, the number of Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award that vest in accordance with this Section 8(A)(ii) shall be determined as though the Performance Period ended as of the date of the Change in Control, and the Vesting Percentage under Section 3(A) shall be determined based on actual TSR performance for such shortened performance period.
    - The foregoing provisions do not supersede [*For Mr. Alberini's award* Section 7(D); *For the awards for Messrs. Neubrand and Benarouche* Section 7(B)] to the extent the Grantee's Service to the Company terminates and such provision is triggered prior to a Change in Control.
  - B. If this Award (to the extent then outstanding) is continued following a Change in Control or is assumed or converted into restricted stock units of any Successor Entity, the number of Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award shall be adjusted as provided in the next sentence, and such adjusted number of Restricted Stock Units shall remain eligible to vest on the Vesting Date in accordance with this Section 8(B). In such circumstances, the number of Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award shall be adjusted in connection with the Change in Control as follows:
    - i. If the Change in Control occurs during the Company's 2024 fiscal year, the number of Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award that shall remain eligible to vest in accordance with this Section 8(B) shall be equal to the Target Number of Restricted Stock Units.
    - ii. If the Change in Control occurs during the Company's 2025 fiscal year or 2026 fiscal year, the number of Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award that shall remain eligible to vest in accordance with this Section 8(B) shall be determined as though the Performance Period ended as of the date of the Change in Control, and the Vesting Percentage under Section 3(A) shall be

determined based on actual TSR performance for such shortened performance period.

In such circumstances, the performance-based vesting conditions of Section 3(A) shall no longer apply to this Award (except as expressly provided above to the extent applicable in making the adjustment provided for in Section 8(B)(ii) above, if applicable), and the number of Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award (as so adjusted pursuant to Section 8(B)(i) or (ii) above, as applicable) shall remain eligible to vest on the original Vesting Date (without such date being modified due to the occurrence of the Change in Control), subject to the Grantee remaining continuously in Service with the Company following such Change in Control through the Vesting Date [For Mr. Alberini's award add: (subject to the accelerated vesting provisions set forth in Section 7(A) and 7(C) above)] [For the awards for Messrs. Neubrand and Benarouche add: (subject to the accelerated vesting provisions set forth in Section 7(A) above)].

## [Add the following clause C only in the award for Mr. Alberini:

- C. If the Grantee's Service is terminated in a Qualifying Termination that occurs within the Change in Control Window, the Award shall vest (or shall be deemed to have vested) on the Change in Control (or, if later, the Qualifying Termination) as to one hundred percent (100%) of the number of Restricted Stock Units subject to the Award after applying Section 8(A) or Section 8(B), as applicable.]
- 9. <u>Restrictions on Transfer</u>. The Grantee may not sell, assign, transfer, pledge, encumber or otherwise alienate, hypothecate or dispose of this Award or the Grantee's right hereunder to receive Award Shares, except as otherwise provided in the Committee's sole discretion consistent with the Plan and applicable securities laws.

## 10. <u>Taxes</u>.

A. Subject to the Company's ability to comply with applicable laws, rules, and regulations, and unless the Grantee has provided in advance of the applicable withholding event sufficient cash to cover the applicable withholding obligations, upon any distribution of shares of Common Stock in respect of the Award, the Company shall automatically reduce the number of shares to be delivered by (or otherwise reacquire) the appropriate number of whole shares, valued at their then fair market value (at the time of such withholding, based on the last closing price (in regular trading) of a share of the Company's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange available at the time of such withholding) to satisfy any withholding obligations (including both income tax and the Grantee's portion of employment tax withholding obligations) of the Company or its Subsidiaries with respect to such distribution of shares. In the event that the Company cannot legally satisfy such withholding obligations by such reduction of shares, or in the event of a cash payment or any other

withholding event in respect of the Award, the Company shall be entitled to require a cash payment by or on behalf of the Grantee and/or to deduct from other compensation payable to the Grantee any sums required by federal, state or local tax law to be withheld with respect to such distribution or payment.

- B. It is intended that any amounts payable under this Agreement shall either be exempt from or comply with Section 409A of the Code (including the Treasury regulations and other published guidance relating thereto) ("Code Section 409A") so as not to subject the Grantee to payment of any additional tax, penalty or interest imposed under Code Section 409A. The provisions of this Agreement shall be construed and interpreted to avoid the imputation of any such additional tax, penalty or interest under Code Section 409A yet preserve (to the nearest extent reasonably possible) the intended benefit payable to the Grantee.
- C. If the Grantee is a "specified employee" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-1(i) as of the date of the Grantee's "separation from service" (as such term is defined for purposes of Code Section 409A), the Grantee shall not be entitled to any payment or benefit pursuant to this Award until the earlier of (i) the date which is six (6) months after the Grantee's separation from service for any reason other than death, or (ii) the date of the Grantee's death. The provisions of this Section 10(C) shall only apply if, and to the extent, required to avoid the imputation of any tax, penalty or interest pursuant to Code Section 409A. Any amounts otherwise payable to the Grantee upon or in the six (6) month period following the Grantee's separation from service that are not so paid by reason of this Section 10(C) shall be paid (without interest) as soon as practicable (and in all events within thirty (30) days) after the date that is six (6) months after the Grantee's separation from service (or, if earlier, as soon as practicable, and in all events within thirty (30) days, after the date of the Grantee's death).
- 11. <u>Compliance</u>. The Grantee hereby agrees to cooperate with the Company, regardless of Grantee's employment status with the Company, to the extent necessary for the Company to comply with applicable state and federal laws and regulations relating to the Restricted Stock Units.
- 12. <u>Notices</u>. Any notice required or permitted under this Agreement shall be deemed given when personally delivered, or when deposited in a United States Post Office, postage prepaid, addressed, as appropriate, to the Grantee either at the address on record with the Company or such other address as may be designated by Grantee in writing to the Company; or to the Company, Attention: Stock Plan Administration, 1444 South Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California 90021, or such other address as the Company may designate in writing to the Grantee.
- 13. <u>Failure to Enforce Not a Waiver</u>. The failure of the Company or the Grantee to enforce at any time any provision of this Agreement shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of such provision or of any other provision hereof.

- 14. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed according to the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to Delaware or other laws that might cause other law to govern under applicable principles of conflicts of law. For purposes of litigating any dispute that arises under this Agreement, the parties hereby submit to and consent to the jurisdiction of the State of California, and agree that such litigation shall be conducted in the courts of Los Angeles County, or the federal courts for the United States for the Central District of California, and no other courts, where this Agreement is made and/or to be performed.
- 15. <u>Electronic Delivery.</u> The Company may, in its sole discretion, decide to deliver any documents related to the Restricted Stock Units awarded under the Plan or future restricted stock or restricted stock units that may be awarded under the Plan by electronic means or request Grantee's consent to participate in the Plan by electronic means. Grantee hereby consents to receive such documents by electronic delivery and agrees to participate in the Plan through an on-line or electronic system established and maintained by the Company or another third party designated by the Company.
- 16. <u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Agreement are severable and if any one or more provisions are determined to be illegal or otherwise unenforceable, in whole or in part, the remaining provisions shall nevertheless be binding and enforceable.
- 17. <u>Amendments</u>. The Plan may be amended pursuant to Section 18 of the Plan. This Award Agreement may be amended by the Board or the Committee from time to time. Any such amendment must be in writing and signed by the Company. Any such amendment that materially and adversely affects the Grantee's rights under this Award Agreement requires the consent of the Grantee in order to be effective with respect to the Award.
- 18. <u>Agreement Not a Contract of Employment</u>. Neither the grant of the Restricted Stock Units, this Agreement nor any other action taken in connection herewith shall constitute or be evidence of any agreement or understanding, express or implied, that the Grantee is an employee of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company.
- 19. <u>Committee's Powers</u>. No provision contained in this Agreement shall in any way terminate, modify or alter, or be construed or interpreted as terminating, modifying or altering any of the powers, rights or authority vested in the Committee or, to the extent delegated, in its delegate pursuant to the terms of the Plan or resolutions adopted in furtherance of the Plan, including, without limitation, the right to make certain determinations and elections with respect to the Restricted Stock Units.
- 20. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Award Agreement and the Plan set forth the entire agreement and understanding between the parties hereto with respect to the matters covered herein, and supersede any prior agreements and understandings concerning such matters. This Award Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same agreement. The headings

of sections and subsections herein are included solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning of any of the provisions of this Award Agreement. This Award Agreement shall be assumed by, be binding upon and inure to the benefit of any successor or successors to the Company.

- 21. <u>Plan</u>. The Grantee acknowledges having read and understanding the Plan, the Prospectus for the Plan and this Award Agreement. Unless otherwise expressly provided in other sections of this Award Agreement, provisions of the Plan that confer discretionary authority on the Board do not and shall not be deemed to create any rights in the Grantee unless such rights are expressly set forth herein or are otherwise in the sole discretion of the Board so conferred by appropriate action of the Board under the Plan after the date hereof.
- 22. <u>Termination of this Agreement</u>. Upon termination of this Agreement, all rights of the Grantee hereunder shall cease.
- 23. <u>Clawback Policy</u>. This Award is subject to the terms of the Company's recoupment, clawback or similar policy as it may be in effect from time to time, as well as any similar provisions of applicable law, any of which could in certain circumstances require repayment or forfeiture of this Award or any shares of Common Stock or other cash or property received with respect to this Award (including any value received from a disposition of the shares acquired in respect of this Award). The Grantee hereby agrees to comply with, and promptly repay to the Company any amounts that are required to be repaid pursuant to, such policy.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Company has caused this Agreement to be executed on its behalf by a duly authorized officer and the Grantee has hereunto set his or her hand as of the date and year first above written.

GUESS?, INC., a Delaware corporation

Employee ID

By:\_\_
Print Name: Jason T. Miller
Its: General Counsel and Secretary

GRANTEE

[Carlos Alberini / Markus Neubrand / Fabrice Benarouche]

#### RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AGREEMENT

This <b>RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AGREEMENT</b> (this "Agreement"), dated as of [	_], 2023 (the "	Date of
Grant"), is entered into by and between GUESS?, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and [C	Carlos Alberini /	Markus
Neubrand / Fabrice Benarouche] (the " <u>Grantee</u> ").		

#### **RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, the Company maintains the Guess?, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (as Amended and Restated as of March 26, 2022) (the "Plan").

**WHEREAS**, the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board (the "<u>Committee</u>") has determined to grant a restricted stock unit award (this "<u>Award</u>") to the Grantee under the Plan in order to increase Grantee's participation in the success of the Company;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Definitions; Incorporation of Plan Terms</u>. Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Plan [*Add for Mr. Alberini's award:*], except where a capitalized term is defined in the Executive Employment Agreement between the Company and the Grantee, entered into January 27, 2019, as amended (the "Employment Agreement"), and this Agreement indicates the definition used in the Employment Agreement shall apply for purposes of this Agreement as well]. This Award and all rights of the Grantee under this Agreement are subject to, and the Grantee agrees to be bound by, all of the terms and conditions of the Plan, incorporated herein by this reference. Except as specifically provided in this Agreement, in the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement, the Plan shall govern.
- 2. Grant of Restricted Stock Units. The Company hereby grants to the Grantee as of the Date of Grant (set forth above) a right to receive [\_\_\_\_\_\_] shares of the Company's common stock subject to the terms, conditions, and restrictions set forth herein (the "Restricted Stock Units"). As used herein, the term "Restricted Stock Unit" shall mean a non-voting unit of measurement which is deemed for bookkeeping purposes to be equivalent to one outstanding share of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock") solely for purposes of the Plan and this Agreement. The Restricted Stock Units shall be used solely as a device for the determination of the number of shares of Common Stock to eventually be delivered to the Grantee if such Restricted Stock Units vest pursuant to this Agreement. The Restricted Stock Units shall not be treated as property or as a trust fund of any kind. The Grantee shall have no rights as a shareholder of the Company, no dividend rights (except as expressly provided in Section 4 with respect to Dividend Equivalent Rights) and no voting rights with respect to the Restricted Stock Units and any shares of Common Stock underlying

or issuable in respect of such Restricted Stock Units ("<u>Award Shares</u>") until such shares of Common Stock are actually issued to and held of record by the Grantee. This Award, together with the other equity awards granted by the Company to the Grantee on or about the Date of Grant, is in complete satisfaction of the Grantee's right to receive stock options or other equity-based awards from the Company with respect to the Company's 2024 fiscal year.

#### 3. Vesting.

- A. If the Earnings from Operations Threshold (as determined pursuant to Section 3(B)) is achieved for the Performance Period then, except as otherwise expressly provided in Sections 7 and 8 herein, this Award shall vest as to [Add for Mr. Alberini's award: (i) one-third of the Restricted Stock Units on January 30, 2024 (the "First Tranche"), (ii) one-third of the Restricted Stock Units on January 30, 2025 (the "Second Tranche"), and (iii) one-third of the Restricted Stock Units on January 30, 2026 (the "Third Tranche")] [Add in the awards for Messrs. Neubrand and Benarouche: (i) one-quarter of the Restricted Stock Units on January 30, 2024 (the "First Tranche"), (iii) one-quarter of the Restricted Stock Units on January 30, 2026 (the "Second Tranche"), (iii) one-quarter of the Restricted Stock Units on January 30, 2026 (the "Third Tranche"), and (iv) one-quarter of the Restricted Stock Units on January 30, 2027 (the "Fourth Tranche")]; provided that Grantee has been continuously in Service with the Company from the Date of Grant through each applicable vesting date. Except as specifically provided herein, employment or service for only a portion of the vesting period, even if a substantial portion, will not entitle the Grantee to any proportionate vesting. As used herein, the term "Service" means employment by the Company or a Subsidiary (the date that the Grantee's Service terminates is referred to as the "Severance Date").
- B. No portion of this Award shall vest notwithstanding satisfaction of the continued Service requirement for vesting described in Section 3(A) above unless the Committee certifies, following the end of the Company's 2024 fiscal year, that the Company achieved Earnings from Operations (as defined below) for the Performance Period equal to or above the level established by the Committee with respect to the Award in connection with the grant of the Award (the "Earnings from Operations Threshold").
- C. If either a Change in Control or the death or Disability (as defined below) of the Grantee occurs before the last day of the Performance Period, the performance-based requirements of Sections 3(A) and 3(B) shall be deemed met as of the date of such event.
- D. If the Earnings from Operations Threshold is not met for the Performance Period (and Section 3(C) does not apply), this Award and the Restricted Stock Units subject hereto shall terminate and be cancelled as of the last day of the Performance Period.
- E. For purposes of this Award, "Disabled" and "Disability" shall (i) have the meaning defined under the Company's then-current long-term disability

insurance plan, policy, program or contract as entitles the Grantee to payment of disability benefits thereunder, or (ii) if there shall be no such plan, policy, program or contract, mean permanent and total disability as defined in Section 22(e)(3) of the Code.

For purposes of this Award, "Earnings from Operations" means: total Company earnings from operations for the Performance Period as calculated in accordance with GAAP, but adjusted (without duplication and to the extent that the particular item would have otherwise impacted Earnings from Operations for such period) to exclude the financial statement impact of the following items: (a) any positive or negative charges or accruals incurred for the Performance Period for litigation matters, but only where such charges or accruals for any particular matter exceed \$500,000 for the Performance Period, (b) any professional service and legal fees and related costs excluded from the Company's adjusted results for the Performance Period, as reflected in the Company's press release financials for such period, (c) reorganization charges incurred for the Performance Period, including employee severance related costs, store and other real estate closure related costs and professional fees, (d) impairment charges (including, but not limited to stores, ROU, goodwill and other assets), (e) changes in accounting standards or methods that are implemented during the Performance Period in accordance with GAAP (to the extent not taken into account by the Committee when it established the goals), and (f) acquisitions, costs associated with such acquisitions, and the costs incurred in connection with potential acquisitions that are required to be expensed under GAAP, in each case for the Performance Period.

- 4. <u>Dividend Equivalents</u>. If a cash dividend is paid with respect to the Common Stock while any Restricted Stock Units subject to the Award are outstanding, the Grantee shall be credited with an amount in cash equal to the dividends the Grantee would have received if he had been the owner of the shares of Common Stock subject to such outstanding Restricted Stock Units; provided, however, that no amount shall be credited with respect to shares that have been delivered to the Grantee as of the applicable dividend record date. Any amounts credited under this Section 4 ("<u>Dividend Equivalents</u>") shall be subject to the same terms and conditions as the Restricted Stock Units to which they relate and shall vest and be paid (or, if applicable, be forfeited) at the same time as the Restricted Stock Units to which they relate.
- 5. <u>Delivery of Shares</u>. The Company shall deliver or cause to be delivered to the Grantee the number of Award Shares subject to the First Tranche that vest in connection with the end of the Performance Period pursuant to the terms hereof within ten days following certification by the Committee of the satisfaction of the performance criteria set forth in Section 3(B) (and in no event later than 74 days following the end of the Performance Period), and in all other cases in which one or more Restricted Stock units subject to the Award become vested the Company shall deliver or cause to be delivered to the Grantee the number of Award Shares that vested on the applicable vesting date under this Agreement on (or within three

business days following, unless vesting is triggered by the Grantee's death or Disability or other separation from Service in which case the applicable period will be within 74 days following) the applicable vesting date. Any Dividend Equivalents described in Section 4 above related to such Award Shares shall be paid in cash at the same time as the delivery of the Award Shares under this Section 5.

6. No Restriction on Right of Company to Effect Corporate Changes; Adjustments Upon Specified Events. Neither the grant of the Award, the Plan nor this Award Agreement shall affect or restrict in any way the right or power of the Company or its shareholders to make or authorize any adjustment, recapitalization, reorganization or other change in the capital structure or business of the Company, or any merger or consolidation of the Company, or any issue of stock or of options, warrants or rights to purchase stock or of bonds, debentures, preferred or prior preference stocks whose rights are superior to or affect the Common Stock or the rights thereof or which are convertible into or exchangeable for Common Stock, or the dissolution or liquidation of the Company, or any sale or transfer of all or any part of the assets or business of the Company, or any other corporate act or proceeding, whether of a similar character or otherwise.

Upon the occurrence of certain events relating to the Company's Common Stock contemplated by Section 16(b) of the Plan, the Committee will make adjustments, if appropriate, in the number of Restricted Stock Units and the number and kind of securities subject to the Award.

7. Effect of Certain Cessations of Service.

#### [Add the following clauses A through F in the award for Mr. Alberini:

A. In the event of the Grantee's Disability or death while in Service before January 30, 2026, this Award will become vested as of the Severance Date as to a pro-rata portion of the then outstanding and otherwise unvested Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award that were otherwise scheduled to vest on the next regularly scheduled vesting date under Section 3(A) after the Grantee's Severance Date determined by multiplying (1) the total number of such Restricted Stock Units to this Award that were otherwise scheduled to vest on the next regularly scheduled vesting date under Section 3(A) after the Severance Date by (2) the Pro-Rata Fraction. As used herein, the "Pro-Rata Fraction" means the fraction obtained by dividing (i) the total number of days the Grantee was in Service with the Company following the last regularly scheduled Vesting Date under Section 3(A) (or, if there is no prior Vesting Date in the circumstances, following January 30, 2023) that occurred prior to the Grantee's Severance Date through and including the Severance Date, by (ii) the total number of calendar days following the last regularly scheduled vesting date under Section 3(A) (or, if there is no prior vesting date in the circumstances, following January 30, 2023) through and including the vesting date that was next scheduled to occur after the Grantee's Severance Date pursuant to Section 3(A). Notwithstanding the

foregoing, this Section 7(A) shall not apply to the Award if the Grantee's Severance Date occurs on a scheduled vesting date pursuant to Section 3(A). Any Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award as of the Severance Date that are not vested after giving effect to the foregoing provisions of this Section 7(A) shall terminate and be cancelled as of the Severance Date.

- В. Notwithstanding anything contained herein or in the Plan to the contrary, in the event that the Grantee's employment by the Company is terminated (a) by the Company without "Cause" (as defined in the Employment Agreement), (b) by the Grantee for "Good Reason" (as defined in the Employment Agreement), or (c) upon expiration of the "Employment Term" (as defined in the Employment Agreement) then in effect by reason of the Company's delivery of a non-renewal notice pursuant to Section 2 of the Employment Agreement if the Company did not have Cause to deliver such non-renewal notice, in any case before January 30, 2026 and outside the Change in Control Window described in Section 7(C) below (such termination of employment under (a), (b) or (c) above, a "Qualifying Termination"), the Award shall become vested as of the Severance Date as to a pro-rata portion of the then outstanding and otherwise unvested Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award that were otherwise scheduled to vest on the next regularly scheduled vesting date under Section 3(A) after the Grantee's Severance Date determined by multiplying (1) the total number of such Restricted Stock Units to this Award that were otherwise scheduled to vest on the next regularly scheduled vesting date under Section 3(A) after the Severance Date by (2) the Pro-Rata Fraction, subject to Section 7(D) below. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Section 7(B) shall not apply to the Award if the Grantee's Severance Date occurs on a scheduled vesting date pursuant to Section 3(A). Any Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award as of the Severance Date that are not vested after giving effect to the foregoing provisions of this Section 7(B) shall terminate and be cancelled as of the Severance Date.
- C. Notwithstanding anything contained herein or in the Plan to the contrary, in the event that the Grantee's employment by the Company is terminated in a Qualifying Termination that occurs before January 30, 2026 and within twelve (12) months before, upon, or within two (2) years after a Change in Control (such period, the "Change in Control Window"), the Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award that are otherwise outstanding and unvested as of the Qualifying Termination shall become vested as of the Qualifying Termination (or, if later, as of the Change in Control and to the extent the Restricted Stock Units did not vest pursuant to Section 7(B) in connection with the Severance Date) subject to Section 7(D) below.
- D. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the accelerated vesting provisions of Sections 7(B) and 7(C) are subject to the Grantee's satisfaction of the Release requirement of Section 9(e) of the Employment Agreement in connection with the termination of his Service and, if such requirement is

not timely satisfied, Section 7(E) shall apply. If the period of time that the Grantee has to consider, execute, and revoke such Release spans two calendar years, payment of any Restricted Stock Units the vesting of which is contingent on the Grantee satisfying such Release requirement shall (assuming the Grantee satisfies such Release requirement) be made within the applicable period of time provided in Section 5 but in the second of such two years.

- E. If the Grantee's Service terminates for any reason other than as provided in Section 7(A)-(C) above, this Award and the Restricted Stock Units subject hereto, to the extent outstanding and unvested as of the date of such termination of Service, shall terminate and be cancelled as of the date of such termination of Service.
- F. Sections 14(a) and 14(b) of the Plan shall not apply to the Award.]

## [Add the following clauses A and B in the awards for Messrs. Neubrand and Benarouche:

- In the event of the Grantee's Disability or death while in Service before January 30, 2027, this Award will become vested as of the Severance Date as to a pro-rata portion of the then outstanding and otherwise unvested Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award that were otherwise scheduled to vest on the next regularly scheduled vesting date under Section 3(A) after the Grantee's Severance Date determined by multiplying (1) the total number of such Restricted Stock Units to this Award that were otherwise scheduled to vest on the next regularly scheduled vesting date under Section 3(A) after the Severance Date by (2) the Pro-Rata Fraction. As used herein, the "Pro-Rata Fraction" means the fraction obtained by dividing (i) the total number of days the Grantee was in Service with the Company following the last regularly scheduled Vesting Date under Section 3(A) (or, if there is no prior Vesting Date in the circumstances, following January 30, 2023) that occurred prior to the Grantee's Severance Date through and including the Severance Date, by (ii) the total number of calendar days following the last regularly scheduled vesting date under Section 3(A) (or, if there is no prior vesting date in the circumstances, following January 30, 2023) through and including the vesting date that was next scheduled to occur after the Grantee's Severance Date pursuant to Section 3(A). Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Section 7(A) shall not apply to the Award if the Grantee's Severance Date occurs on a scheduled vesting date pursuant to Section 3(A). Any Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award as of the Severance Date that are not vested after giving effect to the foregoing provisions of this Section 7(A) shall terminate and be cancelled as of the Severance Date.
- B. If the Grantee's Service terminates for any reason other than as provided in Section 7(A), this Award and the Restricted Stock Units subject hereto, to the extent outstanding and unvested as of the date of such termination of Service, shall terminate and be cancelled as of the date of such termination

of Service. Sections 14(a) and 14(b) of the Plan shall not apply to the Award.

- 8. <u>Change in Control</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 3, Section 5 or Section 7 of this Agreement or any provision of the Plan, the following provisions shall apply upon a Change in Control:
  - A. If a Change in Control occurs and the then-outstanding and unvested portion of this Award is <u>not</u> continued following such event or assumed or converted into restricted stock units of any successor entity to the Company or a parent thereof (the "<u>Successor Entity</u>"), the continued Service vesting requirement set forth under Section 3(A) of this Award shall be deemed to be satisfied, and the outstanding Restricted Stock Units subject to such portion shall be deemed vested, upon such Change in Control.
  - B. If the then-outstanding and unvested portion of this Award is continued following such event or is assumed or converted into restricted stock units of any Successor Entity, the continued Service requirement set forth in Section 3(A) above (and the accelerated vesting provisions set forth in Section 7 above) shall continue to apply following such Change in Control.
- 9. <u>Restrictions on Transfer</u>. The Grantee may not sell, assign, transfer, pledge, encumber or otherwise alienate, hypothecate or dispose of this Award or the Grantee's right hereunder to receive Award Shares, except as otherwise provided in the Committee's sole discretion consistent with the Plan and applicable securities laws.

## 10. <u>Taxes</u>.

- A. The settlement of this Award is conditioned on the Grantee making arrangements reasonably satisfactory to the Company for the withholding of all applicable federal, state, local or foreign taxes as may be required under applicable law.
- B. It is intended that any amounts payable under this Agreement shall either be exempt from or comply with Section 409A of the Code (including the Treasury regulations and other published guidance relating thereto) ("Code Section 409A") so as not to subject the Grantee to payment of any additional tax, penalty or interest imposed under Code Section 409A. The provisions of this Agreement shall be construed and interpreted to avoid the imputation of any such additional tax, penalty or interest under Code Section 409A yet preserve (to the nearest extent reasonably possible) the intended benefit payable to the Grantee.
- C. If the Grantee is a "specified employee" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-1(i) as of the date of the Grantee's "separation from service" (as such term is defined for purposes of Code Section 409A), the Grantee shall not be entitled to any payment or benefit pursuant to this Award until the earlier of (i) the date which is six (6) months after the Grantee's separation from service for any reason other than death, or (ii) the date of the Grantee's death. The provisions of this Section 10(C) shall only

apply if, and to the extent, required to avoid the imputation of any tax, penalty or interest pursuant to Code Section 409A. Any amounts otherwise payable to the Grantee upon or in the six (6) month period following the Grantee's separation from service that are not so paid by reason of this Section 10(C) shall be paid (without interest, except as otherwise provided for in Section 8(A)) as soon as practicable (and in all events within thirty (30) days) after the date that is six (6) months after the Grantee's separation from service (or, if earlier, as soon as practicable, and in all events within thirty (30) days, after the date of the Grantee's death). For avoidance of doubt, Dividend Equivalents under Section 4 shall continue to be credited during the period of such six-month delay until the vested Restricted Stock Units are actually settled.

- 11. <u>Compliance</u>. The Grantee hereby agrees to cooperate with the Company, regardless of Grantee's employment status with the Company, to the extent necessary for the Company to comply with applicable state and federal laws and regulations relating to the Restricted Stock Units.
- 12. <u>Notices</u>. Any notice required or permitted under this Agreement shall be deemed given when personally delivered, or when deposited in a United States Post Office, postage prepaid, addressed, as appropriate, to the Grantee either at the address on record with the Company or such other address as may be designated by Grantee in writing to the Company; or to the Company, Attention: Stock Plan Administration, 1444 South Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California 90021, or such other address as the Company may designate in writing to the Grantee.
- 13. <u>Failure to Enforce Not a Waiver</u>. The failure of the Company or the Grantee to enforce at any time any provision of this Agreement shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of such provision or of any other provision hereof.
- 14. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed according to the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to Delaware or other laws that might cause other law to govern under applicable principles of conflicts of law. For purposes of litigating any dispute that arises under this Agreement, the parties hereby submit to and consent to the jurisdiction of the State of California, and agree that such litigation shall be conducted in the courts of Los Angeles County, or the federal courts for the United States for the Central District of California, and no other courts, where this Agreement is made and/or to be performed.
- 15. <u>Electronic Delivery.</u> The Company may, in its sole discretion, decide to deliver any documents related to the Restricted Stock Units awarded under the Plan or future restricted stock or restricted stock units that may be awarded under the Plan by electronic means or request Grantee's consent to participate in the Plan by electronic means. Grantee hereby consents to receive such documents by electronic delivery and agrees to participate in the Plan through an on-line or electronic system established and maintained by the Company or another third party designated by the Company.

- 16. <u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Agreement are severable and if any one or more provisions are determined to be illegal or otherwise unenforceable, in whole or in part, the remaining provisions shall nevertheless be binding and enforceable.
- 17. <u>Amendments</u>. The Plan may be amended pursuant to Section 18 of the Plan. This Award Agreement may be amended by the Board or the Committee from time to time. Any such amendment must be in writing and signed by the Company. Any such amendment that materially and adversely affects the Grantee's rights under this Award Agreement requires the consent of the Grantee in order to be effective with respect to the Award.
- 18. <u>Agreement Not a Contract of Employment</u>. Neither the grant of the Restricted Stock Units, this Agreement nor any other action taken in connection herewith shall constitute or be evidence of any agreement or understanding, express or implied, that the Grantee is an employee of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company.
- 19. <u>Committee's Powers</u>. No provision contained in this Agreement shall in any way terminate, modify or alter, or be construed or interpreted as terminating, modifying or altering any of the powers, rights or authority vested in the Committee or, to the extent delegated, in its delegate pursuant to the terms of the Plan or resolutions adopted in furtherance of the Plan, including, without limitation, the right to make certain determinations and elections with respect to the Restricted Stock Units.
- 20. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Award Agreement and the Plan set forth the entire agreement and understanding between the parties hereto with respect to the matters covered herein, and supersede any prior agreements and understandings concerning such matters. This Award Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same agreement. The headings of sections and subsections herein are included solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning of any of the provisions of this Award Agreement. This Award Agreement shall be assumed by, be binding upon and inure to the benefit of any successor or successors to the Company.
- 21. <u>Plan.</u> The Grantee acknowledges having read and understanding the Plan, the Prospectus for the Plan and this Award Agreement. Unless otherwise expressly provided in other sections of this Award Agreement, provisions of the Plan that confer discretionary authority on the Board do not and shall not be deemed to create any rights in the Grantee unless such rights are expressly set forth herein or are otherwise in the sole discretion of the Board so conferred by appropriate action of the Board under the Plan after the date hereof.
- 22. <u>Termination of this Agreement</u>. Upon termination of this Agreement, all rights of the Grantee hereunder shall cease.
- 23. <u>Clawback Policy</u>. This Award is subject to the terms of the Company's recoupment, clawback or similar policy as it may be in effect from time to time, as well as any similar provisions of applicable law, any of which could in certain circumstances require repayment or forfeiture of the Award or any shares of Common Stock or other cash or property received with respect to the Award

(including any value received from a disposition of the shares acquired in respect of the Award). The Grantee hereby agrees to comply with, and promptly repay to the Company any amounts that are required to be repaid pursuant to, such policy.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Company has caused this Agreement to be executed on its behalf by a duly authorized officer and the Grantee has hereunto set his or her hand as of the date and year first above written.

**GUESS?**, INC.,

a Delaware corporation

By:\_\_
Print Name:
Its:
GRANTEE

[Carlos Alberini / Markus Neubrand / Fabrice Benarouche]

Employee ID

## RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AGREEMENT

This **RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AGREEMENT** (this "<u>Agreement</u>"), dated as of May 12, 2023 (the "<u>Date of Grant</u>"), is entered into by and between GUESS?, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), and **Paul Marciano** (the "<u>Grantee</u>").

#### **RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, the Company maintains the Guess?, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (as Amended and Restated as of March 26, 2022) (the "<u>Plan</u>").

**WHEREAS**, the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board (the "<u>Committee</u>") has determined to grant a restricted stock unit award (this "<u>Award</u>") to the Grantee under the Plan in order to increase Grantee's participation in the success of the Company;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Definitions; Incorporation of Plan Terms</u>. Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Plan. This Award and all rights of the Grantee under this Agreement are subject to, and the Grantee agrees to be bound by, all of the terms and conditions of the Plan, incorporated herein by this reference. Except as specifically provided in this Agreement, in the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement, the Plan shall govern.
- 2. Grant of Restricted Stock Units. The Company hereby grants to the Grantee as of the Date of Grant (set forth above) a right to receive [●] shares of the Company's common stock subject to the terms, conditions, and restrictions set forth herein (the "Restricted Stock Units"). As used herein, the term "Restricted Stock Unit" shall mean a non-voting unit of measurement which is deemed for bookkeeping purposes to be equivalent to one outstanding share of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock") solely for purposes of the Plan and this Agreement. The Restricted Stock Units shall be used solely as a device for the determination of the number of shares of Common Stock to eventually be delivered to the Grantee if such Restricted Stock Units vest pursuant to this Agreement. The Restricted Stock Units shall not be treated as property or as a trust fund of any kind. The Grantee shall have no rights as a shareholder of the Company, no dividend rights (except as expressly provided in Section 4 with respect to Dividend Equivalent Rights) and no voting rights with respect to the Restricted Stock Units and any shares of Common Stock underlying or issuable in respect of such Restricted Stock Units ("Award Shares") until such shares of Common Stock are actually issued to and held of record by the Grantee. This Award is in complete satisfaction of the Grantee's right, if any, to receive equity-based awards from the Company with respect to the Company's 2024 fiscal year.

## 3. <u>Vesting</u>.

A. If both the Licensing Segment Earnings from Operations Threshold and the Earnings from Operations Threshold (each as determined pursuant to Section 3(B))

are achieved for the Performance Period then, except as otherwise expressly provided in Sections 7 and 8 herein, this Award shall vest as to (i) one-third of the Restricted Stock Units on January 30, 2024 (the "First Tranche"), (ii) one-third of the Restricted Stock Units on January 30, 2025 (the "Second Tranche"), and (iii) one-third of the Restricted Stock Units on January 30, 2026 (the "Third Tranche"); provided that Grantee has been continuously in Service with the Company from the Date of Grant through each applicable vesting date. If either (but not both) the Licensing Segment Earnings from Operations Threshold or the Earnings from Operations Threshold (each as determined pursuant to Section 3(B)) is achieved for the Performance Period then, except as otherwise expressly provided in Sections 7 and 8 herein, this Award shall vest as to (i) one-sixth of the Restricted Stock Units on January 30, 2024 (the "First Tranche"), (ii) one-sixth of the Restricted Stock Units on January 30, 2025 (the "Second Tranche"), and (iii) one-sixth of the Restricted Stock Units on January 30, 2026 (the "Third Tranche"); provided that Grantee has been continuously in Service with the Company from the Date of Grant through each applicable vesting date. Except as specifically provided herein, employment or service for only a portion of the vesting period, even if a substantial portion, will not entitle the Grantee to any proportionate vesting. As used herein, the term "Service" means employment by the Company or a Subsidiary or service to the Company as a member of the Board.

- B. No portion of this Award shall vest notwithstanding satisfaction of the continued Service requirement for vesting described in Section 3(A) above unless the Committee certifies, following the end of the Company's 2024 fiscal year, that the Company achieved (i) Licensing Segment Earnings from Operations (as defined below) for the Company's 2024 fiscal year (the "Performance Period") equal to or above the level established by the Committee with respect to the Award in connection with the grant of the Award (the "Licensing Segment Earnings from Operations Threshold") or (ii) Earnings from Operations (as defined below) for the Performance Period equal to or above the level established by the Committee with respect to the Award in connection with the grant of the Award (the "Earnings from Operations Threshold").
- C. If either a Change in Control or the death or Disability (as defined below) of the Grantee occurs before the last day of the Performance Period, the performance-based requirements of Sections 3(A) and 3(B) shall be deemed met as of the date of such event.
- D. If both the Licensing Segment Earnings from Operations Threshold and the Earnings from Operations Threshold are not met for the Performance Period (and Section 3(C) does not apply), this Award and the Restricted Stock Units subject hereto shall terminate and be cancelled as of the last day of the Performance Period. If either (but not both) the Licensing Segment Earnings from Operations Threshold or the Earnings from Operations Threshold is not met for the Performance Period (and Section 3(C) does not apply), fifty percent (50%) of the total number of Restricted Stock Units subject to this Award (rounded to the nearest whole number) shall terminate and be cancelled as of the last day of the Performance Period.

E. For purposes of this Award, "Disabled" and "Disability" shall (i) have the meaning defined under the Company's then-current long-term disability insurance plan, policy, program or contract as entitles the Grantee to payment of disability benefits thereunder, or (ii) if there shall be no such plan, policy, program or contract, mean permanent and total disability as defined in Section 22(e)(3) of the Code.

For purposes of this Award, "Licensing Segment Earnings from Operations" means: the Company's earnings from operations derived from the Company's Licensing Segment for the Performance Period as calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), but adjusted (without duplication and to the extent that the particular item would have otherwise impacted Licensing Segment Earnings from Operations for such period) to exclude the financial statement impact of the following items: (a) any positive or negative charges or accruals incurred for the Performance Period for litigation matters, but only where such charges or accruals for any particular matter exceed \$500,000 for the Performance Period, (b) any professional service and legal fees and related costs excluded from the Company's adjusted results for the Performance Period, as reflected in the Company's press release financials for such period, (c) reorganization charges incurred for the Performance Period, including employee severance related costs, store and other real estate closure related costs and professional fees, (d) impairment charges (including, but not limited to stores, ROU, goodwill and other assets), (e) changes in accounting standards or methods that are implemented during the Performance Period in accordance with GAAP (to the extent not taken into account by the Committee when it established the goals), and (f) acquisitions, costs associated with such acquisitions, and the costs incurred in connection with potential acquisitions that are required to be expensed under GAAP, in each case for the Performance Period.

For purposes of this Award, "Earnings from Operations" means: total Company earnings from operations for the Performance Period as calculated in accordance with GAAP, but adjusted (without duplication and to the extent that the particular item would have otherwise impacted Earnings from Operations for such period) to exclude the financial statement impact of the following items: (a) any positive or negative charges or accruals incurred for the Performance Period for litigation matters, but only where such charges or accruals for any particular matter exceed \$500,000 for the Performance Period, (b) any professional service and legal fees and related costs excluded from the Company's adjusted results for the Performance Period, as reflected in the Company's press release financials for such period, (c) reorganization charges incurred for the Performance Period, including employee severance related costs, store and other real estate closure related costs and professional fees, (d) impairment charges (including, but not limited to stores, ROU, goodwill and other assets), (e) changes in accounting standards or methods that are implemented during the Performance Period in accordance with GAAP (to the extent not taken into account by the Committee when it established the goals), and (f) acquisitions, costs associated with such acquisitions, and the costs incurredin connection with potential acquisitions that are required to be expensed under GAAP, in each case for the Performance Period.

- 4. <u>Dividend Equivalents</u>. If a cash dividend is paid with respect to the Common Stock while any Restricted Stock Units subject to the Award are outstanding, the Grantee shall be credited with an amount in cash equal to the dividends the Grantee would have received if he had been the owner of the shares of Common Stock subject to such outstanding Restricted Stock Units; provided, however, that no amount shall be credited with respect to shares that have been delivered to the Grantee as of the applicable dividend record date. Any amounts credited under this Section 4 ("<u>Dividend Equivalents</u>") shall be subject to the same terms and conditions as the Restricted Stock Units to which they relate and shall vest and be paid (or, if applicable, be forfeited) at the same time as the Restricted Stock Units to which they relate.
- 5. <u>Delivery of Shares</u>. The Company shall deliver or cause to be delivered to the Grantee the number of Award Shares subject to the First Tranche that vest pursuant to the terms hereof in connection with the end of the Performance Period within ten days following certification by the Committee of the satisfaction of the performance criteria set forth in Section 3(B) (and in no event later than 74 days following the end of the Performance Period), and in all other cases in which one or more Restricted Stock units subject to the Award become vested the Company shall deliver or cause to be delivered to the Grantee the number of Award Shares that vested on the applicable vesting date under this Agreement on (or within three business days following, unless vesting is triggered by the Grantee's death or Disability in which case the applicable period will be within 74 days following) the applicable vesting date. Any Dividend Equivalents described in Section 4 above related to such Award Shares shall be paid in cash at the same time as the delivery of the Award Shares under this Section 5.
- 6. No Restriction on Right of Company to Effect Corporate Changes; Adjustments Upon Specified Events. Neither the grant of the Award, the Plan nor this Award Agreement shall affect or restrict in any way the right or power of the Company or its shareholders to make or authorize any adjustment, recapitalization, reorganization or other change in the capital structure or business of the Company, or any merger or consolidation of the Company, or any issue of stock or of options, warrants or rights to purchase stock or of bonds, debentures, preferred or prior preference stocks whose rights are superior to or affect the Common Stock or the rights thereof or which are convertible into or exchangeable for Common Stock, or the dissolution or liquidation of the Company, or any sale or transfer of all or any part of the assets or business of the Company, or any other corporate act or proceeding, whether of a similar character or otherwise.

Upon the occurrence of certain events relating to the Company's Common Stock contemplated by Section 16(b) of the Plan, the Committee will make adjustments, if appropriate, in the number of Restricted Stock Units and the number and kind of securities subject to the Award.

7. <u>Effect of Certain Cessations of Service</u>. The continued Service vesting requirement set forth under Section 3(A) of this Award shall be deemed to be satisfied, and any then-outstanding Restricted Stock Units shall be deemed vested, in the event of the Grantee's Disability or death while in Service. For purposes of clarity, any Restricted Stock Units that vest pursuant to the preceding sentence shall still be paid at the applicable time set forth in Section 5. If the Grantee's Service terminates for any other reason, this Award and the Restricted Stock Units subject hereto, to the extent outstanding and unvested as of the

- date of such termination of Service, shall terminate and be cancelled as of the date of such termination of Service. Sections 14(a) and 14(b) of the Plan shall not apply to the Award.
- 8. <u>Change in Control</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 3, Section 5 or Section 7 of this Agreement or any provision of the Plan, the following provisions shall apply upon a Change in Control:
  - A. If a Change in Control occurs and the then-outstanding and unvested portion of this Award is <u>not</u> continued following such event or assumed or converted into restricted stock units of any successor entity to the Company or a parent thereof (the "<u>Successor Entity</u>"), the continued Service vesting requirement set forth under Section 3(A) of this Award shall be deemed to be satisfied, and the outstanding Restricted Stock Units subject to such portion shall be deemed vested, upon such Change in Control.
  - B. If the then-outstanding and unvested portion of this Award is continued following such event or is assumed or converted into restricted stock units of any Successor Entity, the continued Service requirement set forth in Section 3(A) above (and the accelerated vesting provisions set forth in Section 7 above) shall continue to apply following such Change in Control.
- 9. <u>Restrictions on Transfer</u>. The Grantee may not sell, assign, transfer, pledge, encumber or otherwise alienate, hypothecate or dispose of this Award or the Grantee's right hereunder to receive Award Shares, except as otherwise provided in the Committee's sole discretion consistent with the Plan and applicable securities laws.

## 10. Taxes.

- A. The settlement of this Award is conditioned on the Grantee making arrangements reasonably satisfactory to the Company for the withholding of all applicable federal, state, local or foreign taxes as may be required under applicable law.
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this Section 10(C) shall be paid (without interest, except as otherwise provided for in Section 8(A)) as soon as practicable (and in all events within thirty (30) days) after the date that is six (6) months after the Grantee's separation from service (or, if earlier, as soon as practicable, and in all events within thirty (30) days, after the date of the Grantee's death). For avoidance of doubt, Dividend Equivalents under Section 4 shall continue to be credited during the period of such six-month delay until the vested Restricted Stock Units are actually settled.

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- materially and adversely affects the Grantee's rights under this Award Agreement requires the consent of the Grantee in order to be effective with respect to the Award.
- 18. <u>Agreement Not a Contract of Employment</u>. Neither the grant of the Restricted Stock Units, this Agreement nor any other action taken in connection herewith shall constitute or be evidence of any agreement or understanding, express or implied, that the Grantee is an employee of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company.
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- 20. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Award Agreement and the Plan set forth the entire agreement and understanding between the parties hereto with respect to the matters covered herein, and supersede any prior agreements and understandings concerning such matters. This Award Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same agreement. The headings of sections and subsections herein are included solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning of any of the provisions of this Award Agreement. This Award Agreement shall be assumed by, be binding upon and inure to the benefit of any successor or successors to the Company.
- 21. <u>Plan</u>. The Grantee acknowledges having read and understanding the Plan, the Prospectus for the Plan and this Award Agreement. Unless otherwise expressly provided in other sections of this Award Agreement, provisions of the Plan that confer discretionary authority on the Board do not and shall not be deemed to create any rights in the Grantee unless such rights are expressly set forth herein or are otherwise in the sole discretion of the Board so conferred by appropriate action of the Board under the Plan after the date hereof.
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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Company has caused this Agreement to be executed on its behalf by a duly authorized officer and the Grantee has hereunto set his or her hand as of the date and year first above written.

GUESS?, INC., a Delaware corporation

By:\_\_\_
Print Name: Jason T. Miller
Its: General Counsel and Secretary
GRANTEE

Signature

Paul Marciano
Print Name

Employee ID

# I, Carlos Alberini, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Guess?, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: June 2, 2023 By: /s/ CARLOS ALBERINI

Carlos Alberini Chief Executive Officer

# I, Dennis Secor, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Guess?, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: June 2, 2023 By: /s/ DENNIS SECOR

Dennis Secor Interim Chief Financial Officer

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

- I, Carlos Alberini, Chief Executive Officer of Guess?, Inc. (the "Company"), do hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to my knowledge:
  - the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of the Company for the period ended April 29, 2023, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
  - the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: June 2, 2023 By: /s/ CARLOS ALBERINI

Carlos Alberini Chief Executive Officer

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

- I, Dennis Secor, Interim Chief Financial Officer of Guess?, Inc. (the "Company"), do hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to my knowledge:
  - the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of the Company for the period ended April 29, 2023, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
  - the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: June 2, 2023 By: /s/ DENNIS SECOR

Dennis Secor Interim Chief Financial Officer