# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

# FORM 10-Q

$\boxtimes$	QUARTERLY REPORT PURSU	JANT TO SECTION 13 OR	15(d) OF THE SECURITIES E	XCHANGE ACT OF 1934
		For the quarterly period	ended July 30, 2022	
		OR		
	TRANSITION REPORT PURSU	JANT TO SECTION 13 OR	15(d) OF THE SECURITIES E	XCHANGE ACT OF 1934
		For the transition period from	ı to	
		Commission file number	er: 1-11893	
		GUESS?, I	NC.	
		(Exact name of registrant as spe	ecified in its charter)	
	Delaware		95-3679695	
	(State or other jurisdiction of incorpo		(I.R.S. Employer Identification	on No.)
		Strada Regina Bioggio, Switzerland		
		(Address of principal executive o		
		+41 91 809 500 (Registrant's telephone number, i		
Securities r	egistered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Ac		,	
Title of ea	ch class	Trading symbol(s)	Name of each exchange o	n which registered
Common S	ctock, par value \$0.01 per share	GES	New York Stock Exchange	
	check mark whether the registrant (1) has file (or for such shorter period that the registran			
	check mark whether the registrant has sub- of this chapter) during the preceding 12 month	9 9	*	
	check mark whether the registrant is a large see the definitions of "large accelerated filer,"			
	Large accelerated filer	$\boxtimes$	Accelerated filer	
	Non-accelerated filer		Smaller reporting company	
			Emerging growth company	
_	ing growth company, indicate by check mark ecounting standards provided pursuant to Sec	9	e the extended transition period for comp	olying with any new or revised 0
Indicate by	check mark whether the registrant is a shell of	company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of	the Exchange Act). Yes 🗆 No x	
As of Augu	st 26, 2022, the registrant had 54,437,964 sha	ares of Common Stock, \$0.01 par val	ue per share, outstanding.	
,				

## GUESS?, INC. FORM 10-Q TABLE OF CONTENTS

# **PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Item 1.	<u>Financial Statements (unaudited)</u>	Ţ
	Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022	<u>1</u>
	Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income — Three and Six Months Ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021	<u>2</u>
	Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income — Three and Six Months Ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021	<u>3</u>
	Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows — Six Months Ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021	<u>4</u>
	<u>Condensed Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity — Three and Six Months Ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021</u>	<u>5</u>
	Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements	<u>7</u>
Item 2.	Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations	<u>36</u>
<u>Item 3.</u>	Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk	<u>60</u>
Item 4.	<u>Controls and Procedures</u>	<u>63</u>
	PART II. OTHER INFORMATION	
<u>Item 1.</u>	<u>Legal Proceedings</u>	<u>64</u>
Item 1A.	Risk Factors	<u>64</u>
<u>Item 2.</u>	<u>Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds</u>	<u>66</u>
Item 6.	<u>Exhibits</u>	<u>67</u>

### PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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

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

		Jul 30, 2022		Jan 29, 2022
		(unaudited)		
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	174,372	\$	415,565
Accounts receivable, net		301,659		328,856
Inventories		535,530		462,295
Other current assets		87,434		77,378
Total current assets		1,098,995		1,284,094
Property and equipment, net		230,376		228,765
Goodwill		32,971		34,885
Deferred income tax assets		156,901		165,120
Operating lease right-of-use assets		651,925		685,799
Other assets		145,503		156,965
	\$	2,316,671	\$	2,555,628
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Current portion of borrowings and finance lease obligations	\$	37,996	\$	43,379
Accounts payable		340,943	•	325,797
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		211,247		253,182
Current portion of operating lease liabilities		170,133		195,516
Total current liabilities	_	760,319	_	817,874
Convertible senior notes, net		298,521		270,595
Long-term debt and finance lease obligations		99,287		60,970
Long-term operating lease liabilities		552,190		582,757
Other long-term liabilities		153,904		160,289
Total liabilities		1,864,221		1,892,485
Redeemable noncontrolling interests		10,277		9,500
reactinuote noncontrolling interests		10,277		3,300
Commitments and contingencies (Note 13)				
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 142,771,946 shares; outstanding 54,437,964 and 62,697,032 shares as of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022,		F.4.4		627
respectively		544		627
Paid-in capital		525,776		565,024
Retained earnings		1,184,896		1,158,664
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(156,524)		(135,549)
Treasury stock, 88,333,982 and 80,074,914 shares as of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, respectively		(1,143,849)		(966,108)
Guess?, Inc. stockholders' equity		410,843		622,658
Nonredeemable noncontrolling interests		31,330		30,985
Total stockholders' equity		442,173		653,643
	\$	2,316,671	\$	2,555,628

# GUESS?, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

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

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>					Six Months Ended					
		Jul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021		Jul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021			
Product sales	\$	617,922	\$	606,691	\$	1,184,995	\$	1,105,168			
Net royalties		24,768		21,933		51,168		43,458			
Net revenue		642,690		628,624		1,236,163		1,148,626			
Cost of product sales		372,189		334,538		718,513		642,982			
Gross profit		270,501		294,086		517,650		505,644			
Selling, general and administrative expenses		216,043		205,617		425,874		392,301			
Asset impairment charges		1,919		1,501		3,463		1,942			
Net gains on lease modifications		(907)		(420)		(1,508)		(2,565)			
Earnings from operations		53,446		87,388		89,821		113,966			
Other income (expense):											
Interest expense		(3,195)		(6,009)		(6,288)		(11,935)			
Interest income		419		461		993		835			
Other, net		(9,053)		(1,001)		(25,505)		(3,702)			
Total other expense		(11,829)		(6,549)		(30,800)		(14,802)			
Earnings before income tax expense		41,617		80,839		59,021		99,164			
Income tax expense		14,177		17,692		21,127		23,147			
Net earnings		27,440		63,147		37,894		76,017			
Net earnings attributable to noncontrolling interests		3,478		2,085		5,962		2,949			
Net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc.	\$	23,962	\$	61,062	\$	31,932	\$	73,068			
Net earnings per common share attributable to common sto	ckho	lders:									
Basic	\$	0.42	\$	0.94	\$	0.54	\$	1.13			
Diluted	\$	0.35	\$	0.91	\$	0.46	\$	1.10			
Weighted average common shares outstanding attributable	Weighted average common shares outstanding attributable to common stockholders:										
Basic		56,954		64,336		59,003		64,185			
Diluted		70,299		66,074		72,443		65,933			

## GUESS?, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(in thousands) (unaudited)

		Three Mo	nth	s Ended	Six Months Ended				
	Jul 30, 2022			Jul 31, 2021	Jul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021		
Net earnings	\$	27,440	\$	63,147	\$ 37,894	\$	76,017		
Other comprehensive income (loss) ("OCI"):									
Foreign currency translation adjustment									
Losses arising during the period		(10,885)		(5,251)	(28,801)		(7,467)		
Derivative financial instruments designated as cash flow hedges									
Gains arising during the period		2,082		1,633	10,685		3,414		
Less income tax effect		(203)		(162)	(1,243)		(390)		
Reclassification to net earnings for (gains) losses realized		(1,163)		1,024	(2,776)		1,422		
Less income tax effect		124		(234)	294		(172)		
Defined benefit plans									
Foreign currency and other adjustments		(90)		(44)	78		85		
Less income tax effect		9		5	(7)		(8)		
Net actuarial loss amortization		12		106	42		211		
Prior service credit amortization		(22)		(17)	(45)		(34)		
Less income tax effect		1		(12)	(2)		(23)		
Total comprehensive income		17,305		60,195	16,119		73,055		
Less comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests:									
Net earnings		3,478		2,085	5,962		2,949		
Foreign currency translation adjustment		(324)		74	(800)		291		
Amounts attributable to noncontrolling interests		3,154		2,159	5,162		3,240		
Comprehensive income attributable to Guess?, Inc.	\$	14,151	\$	58,036	\$ 10,957	\$	69,815		

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

		Six Months Ended		
	J	ul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net earnings	\$	37,894	\$	76,017
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization		30,533		27,918
Amortization of debt discount				5,562
Amortization of debt issuance costs		731		681
Share-based compensation expense		10,679		8,862
Forward contract (gains) losses		2,123		(421)
Net loss from impairment and disposition of long-term assets		4,013		3,152
Other items, net		21,362		8,357
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		4 622		2.047
Accounts receivable Inventories		4,623 (102,163)		3,947 (39,230)
Prepaid expenses and other assets		(5,049)		(24,902)
Operating lease assets and liabilities, net		(19,151)		(10,323)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses and other current liabilities		13,050		(16,494)
Other long-term liabilities		2,857		(150)
Net cash provided by operating activities		1,502	_	42,976
Cash flows from investing activities:		1,502		42,570
Purchases of property and equipment		(51,221)		(21,601)
Proceeds from sale of business and long-term assets		192		1,648
Net cash settlement of forward contract		_		(755)
Other investing activities		(207)		(98)
Net cash used in investing activities		(51,236)	_	(20,806)
Cash flows from financing activities:		(=,==)		(==,===)
Proceeds from borrowings		104,855		10,730
Repayments on borrowings and finance lease obligations		(68,113)		(21,638)
Debt issuance costs		(1,361)		_
Dividends paid		(27,092)		(14,818)
Noncontrolling interest capital distribution		(4,817)		(3,452)
Issuance of common stock, net of income tax withholdings on vesting of stock awards		2,126		2,539
Purchase of treasury stock		(186,747)		_
Net cash used in financing activities		(181,149)		(26,639)
Effect of exchange rates on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		(10,310)		(5,732)
Net change in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		(241,193)		(10,201)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at the beginning of the year		415,565		469,345
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at the end of the period	\$	174,372	\$	459,144
Supplemental cash flow data:				
Interest paid	\$		\$	5,051
Income taxes paid, net of refunds	\$	15,595	\$	21,382
Non-cash investing and financing activity:				
Change in accrual of property and equipment	\$	(3,848)		374
Assets acquired under finance lease obligations	\$	3,323	\$	5,751

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

(in thousands, except share data) (unaudited)

For the three and six months ended July 30, 2022  $\,$ 

	Commo	n Stock					Treasur	ry Stock		
	Shares Amount			Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Other Other Omprehensive Loss	Shares	Amount	Nonredeemable Noncontrolling Interests	Total
Balance at January 29, 2022	62,697,032	\$ 627	7 \$	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	1	(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	3)	38	_	_	3,789,576	(81,747)	_	(81,747)
Noncontrolling interest capital distribution	_	_	-	_	_	_	_	_	(4,817)	(4,817)
Equity forward contract issuance			-	(105,000)		<u> </u>	<u> </u>			(105,000)
Balance at April 30, 2022	59,330,217	\$ 593	3 \$	417,448	\$ 1,174,379	\$ (146,713)	83,441,729	\$ (1,042,644)	\$ 28,176	\$ 431,239
Cumulative adjustment from adoption of new accounting guidance	_	_	-	_	433	_	_	_	_	433
Net earnings	_	_	-	_	23,962	_	_	_	3,478	27,440
Other comprehensive loss, net of income tax of (\$69)	_	-	-	_	_	(9,811)	_	_	(324)	(10,135)
Issuance of common stock under stock compensation plans	290,393	3	3	(3,392)	_	_	(290,393)	3,628	_	239
Issuance of stock under Employee Stock Purchase Plan	13,381	_	-	44	_	_	(13,381)	167	_	211
Share-based compensation	_	_	-	6,624	3	_	_	_	_	6,627
Dividends, net of forfeitures on non-participating securities	_	-	-	_	(13,881)	_	_	_	_	(13,881)
Share repurchases	(5,196,027)	(52	2)	52	_	_	5,196,027	(105,000)	_	(105,000)
Equity forward contract settlement	_	-	-	105,000	_	_	_	_	_	105,000
Balance at July 30, 2022	54,437,964	\$ 544	\$	525,776	\$ 1,184,896	\$ (156,524)	88,333,982	\$ (1,143,849)	\$ 31,330	\$ 442,173

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

(in thousands, except share data) (unaudited)

For the three and six months ended July 31, 2021  $\,$ 

		Guess?, Inc. Stockholders' Equity												
	Commo	on Sto	ck						Treasur	уS	tock			
	Shares	Α	Amount		Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Comprenentitie		Shares Amount		Amount	Nonredeemable Noncontrolling Interests		Total
Balance at January 30, 2021	64,230,162	\$	642	\$	553,111	\$ 1,034,823	\$	(120,675)	78,563,517	\$	(924,238)	\$	21,917	\$ 565,580
Net earnings	_		_		_	12,006		_	_		_		864	12,870
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of income tax of (\$190)	_		_		_	_		(227)	_		_		217	(10)
Issuance of common stock under stock compensation plans	689,653		7		(6,417)	_		_	(690,492)		8,123		_	1,713
Issuance of stock under Employee Stock Purchase Plan	12,798		_		81	_		_	(12,798)		151		_	232
Share-based compensation	_		_		4,056	4		_	_		_		_	4,060
Dividends, net of forfeitures on non-participating securities	_		_		_	(7,252)	)	_	_		_		_	(7,252)
Balance at May 1, 2021	64,932,613	\$	649	\$	550,831	\$ 1,039,581	\$	(120,902)	77,860,227	\$	(915,964)	\$	22,998	\$ 577,193
Net earnings	_		_		_	61,062		_	_		_		2,085	63,147
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of income tax of (\$403)	_		_		_	_		(3,026)	_		_		74	(2,952)
Issuance of common stock under stock compensation plans	24,233		1		60	_		_	(27,409)		323		_	384
Issuance of stock under Employee Stock Purchase Plan	11,129		_		79	_		_	(11,129)		130		_	209
Share-based compensation	_		_		4,795	7		_	_		_		_	4,802
Dividends, net of forfeitures on non-participating securities	_		_		_	(7,308)	)	_	_		_		_	(7,308)
Noncontrolling interest capital distribution	_		_		_	_		_	_		_		(3,452)	(3,452)
Balance at July 31, 2021	64,967,975	\$	650	\$	555,765	\$ 1,093,342	\$	(123,928)	77,821,689	\$	(915,511)	\$	21,705	\$ 632,023

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

July 30, 2022 (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.

#### 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 July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, and the condensed consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, cash flows and stockholders' equity for the three and six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021. 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 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 and six months ended July 30, 2022 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 29, 2022.

#### Fiscal Periods

The three and six months ended July 30, 2022 had the same number of days as the three and six months ended July 31, 2021. All references herein to "fiscal 2022" and "fiscal 2021" represent the results of the 52-week fiscal year ended January 29, 2022 and January 30, 2021, respectively. All references herein to "fiscal 2023" represent the 52-week fiscal year ending January 28, 2023.

#### COVID-19 Business Update

The COVID-19 pandemic is continuing to negatively impact certain regions of the Company's business, especially in Asia where the Company's operations for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 were impacted by capacity restrictions and temporary store closures. Overall, this resulted in the closure of a limited number of its directly operated stores as of July 30, 2022, mostly in Asia, the impact of which was minimal to the Company's three and six months ended July 30, 2022 results.

The COVID-19 pandemic has also contributed to disruptions in the overall global supply chain, contributing to industry-wide higher product and freight costs. The Company has been working actively to mitigate these headwinds to the extent possible through a number of global supply chain initiatives.

In light of the fluid nature of the pandemic, 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 the supply chain disruptions.

#### 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 2022 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 COVID-19 pandemic, the Russia-Ukraine conflict, and global inflationary pressures. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Revisions in estimates could materially impact the results of operations and financial position.

As discussed, the COVID-19 pandemic has negatively impacted the Company's business. The Company's operations could continue to be impacted in ways the Company is not able to predict today due to the evolving situation. While the Company believes it has made reasonable accounting estimates based on the facts and circumstances 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 July 30, 2022, the Company had \$5.0 million and \$12.4 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 \$5.1 million and \$14.3 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 29, 2022. During the three and six months ended July 30, 2022, the Company recognized \$3.3 million and \$6.7 million in net royalties related to the amortization of deferred royalties, respectively. During the three and six months ended July 31, 2021, the Company recognized \$3.6 million and \$7.1 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 and records a provision for doubtful accounts based on these evaluations.

As of July 30, 2022, approximately 52% of the Company's total net trade accounts receivable and 63% 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 Adopted Accounting Guidance

Convertible Instruments and Contracts in an Entity's Own Equity

The Company adopted guidance to simplify the accounting for convertible instruments and contracts in an entity's own equity and the diluted earnings per share computations for these instruments on January 30, 2022, using the modified retrospective transition method. The cumulative effect of the accounting change increased the carrying amount of the 2.00% convertible senior notes due 2024 (the "Notes") by \$27.5 million, reduced deferred income tax liabilities by \$6.2 million, reduced additional paid-in capital by \$43.1 million and increased retained earnings by \$21.8 million, with no restatement of prior periods. Refer to Note 3 for the impact on the earnings per share calculation and Note 10 for the impact on the Notes.

Modifications or Exchanges of Freestanding Equity-Classified Written Call Options

The Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued authoritative guidance as to how an issuer should account for a modification of the terms or conditions or an exchange of a freestanding equity-classified written call option (i.e., a warrant) that remains classified in equity after modification or exchange of the original instrument for a new instrument. An issuer should measure the effect of a modification or exchange as the difference between the fair value of the modified or exchanged warrant and the fair value of that warrant immediately before modification or exchange and then apply a recognition model that comprises four categories of transactions and the corresponding accounting treatment for each category (equity issuance, debt origination, debt modification, and modifications unrelated to equity issuance and debt origination or modification). The Company adopted this guidance on January 30, 2022 which had no impact on the Company's consolidated financial statement presentation or disclosures.

Recently Issued Accounting Guidance

Reference Rate Reform

The 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 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 will modify, if necessary, 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. 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 July 2027.

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 \$22.5 million for leases where the Company has not yet taken possession of the underlying asset as of July 30, 2022. 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 July 30, 2022.

The components of leases are (in thousands):

		Ju	l 30, 2022	J	Jan 29, 2022
Assets	Balance Sheet Location				
Operating	Operating lease right-of-use assets	\$	651,925	\$	685,799
Finance	Property and equipment, net		20,692		21,898
Total lease assets		\$	672,617	\$	707,697
Liabilities	Balance Sheet Location				
Current:					
Operating	Current portion of operating lease liabilities	\$	170,133	\$	195,516
Finance	Current portion of borrowings and finance lease obligations		5,960		5,806
Noncurrent:					
Operating	Long-term operating lease liabilities		552,190		582,757
Finance	Long-term debt and finance lease obligations		15,701		17,137
Total lease liabilities		\$	743,984	\$	801,216

The components of lease costs are (in thousands):

		Three Mo	nths Ended	Six Mont	ths Ended	
	<b>Income Statement Location</b>	Jul 30, 2022	Jul 31, 2021	Jul 30, 2022	Jul 31, 2021	
Operating lease costs	Cost of product sales	\$ 43,716	\$ 45,776	\$ 88,088	\$ 92,460	
Operating lease costs	Selling, general and administrative expenses	6,281	6,189	12,582	12,546	
Operating lease costs <sup>1</sup>	Net gains on lease modifications	(907)	(420)	(1,508)	(2,565)	
Finance lease costs						
Amortization of leased assets	Cost of product sales	20	17	39	28	
Amortization of leased assets	Selling, general and administrative expenses	1,574	1,406	3,076	2,767	
Interest on lease liabilities	Interest expense	251	263	538	629	
Variable lease costs <sup>2</sup>	Cost of product sales	20,784	16,640	42,780	32,379	
Variable lease costs <sup>2</sup>	Selling, general and administrative expenses	813	445	1,769	1,019	
Short-term lease costs	Cost of product sales	90	126	186	231	
Short-term lease costs	Selling, general and administrative expenses	1,320	1,123	2,878	2,294	
Total lease costs		\$ 73,942	\$ 71,565	\$ 150,428	\$ 141,788	

#### Notes:

Maturities of the Company's operating and finance lease liabilities as of July 30, 2022 are (in thousands):

		Operatii	ng L	eases			
Maturity of Lease Liabilities	N	Non-Related Parties		Related Parties		Finance Leases	Total
Fiscal 2023	\$	102,099	\$	3,942	\$	3,587	\$ 109,628
Fiscal 2024		167,942		7,802		7,001	182,745
Fiscal 2025		122,781		7,179		5,206	135,166
Fiscal 2026		91,656		6,786		4,802	103,244
Fiscal 2027		74,442		7,488		2,357	84,287
After fiscal 2027		181,954		28,356		690	211,000
Total lease payments		740,874		61,553		23,643	826,070
Less: Interest		70,732		9,372		1,982	82,086
Present value of lease liabilities	\$	670,142	\$	52,181	\$	21,661	\$ 743,984

<sup>1</sup> During the three and six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021, 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> During the three and six months ended July 30, 2022, variable lease costs included certain rent concessions of approximately \$2.2 million and \$3.5 million, respectively, received by the Company, primarily in Europe, related to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the three and six months ended July 31, 2021, variable lease costs included certain rent concessions of approximately \$5.8 million and \$11.9 million, respectively, received by the Company, primarily in Europe, related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Other supplemental information is (in thousands):

Lease Term and Discount Rate	Jul 30, 2022
Weighted-average remaining lease term	
Operating leases	6.1 years
Finance leases	4.0 years
Weighted-average discount rate	
Operating leases	3.6%
Finance leases	4.8%

		ded		
Supplemental Cash Flow Information	Jul	30, 2022	Ju	l 31, 2021
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities				
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$	116,202	\$	115,264
New operating ROU assets obtained in exchange for lease liabilities	\$	91,331	\$	63,238

#### **Impairment**

During each of the three and six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021 there were immaterial ROU asset impairment charges recorded primarily related to Europe. The asset impairment charges were 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 per Share

On January 30, 2022, the Company adopted the authoritative guidance which simplifies the accounting for convertible instruments and contracts in an entity's own equity using the modified retrospective method. Following adoption, diluted earnings per share related to the Notes is calculated using the if-converted method. The number of dilutive shares is based on the initial conversion rate associated with the Notes.

Prior to adoption, the Company applied the treasury stock method when calculating the potential dilutive effect of the Notes, if any. As the Company expects to settle the principal amount of its outstanding Notes in cash and any excess in shares, only the amounts in excess of the principal amount were considered in diluted earnings per share, if applicable. Refer to Note 1 and Note 10 for more information regarding the Notes.

In addition, the Company granted certain nonvested stock units, subject to certain performance-based or market-based vesting conditions, as well as continued service requirements through the respective vesting periods. These nonvested stock units are included in the computation of diluted net earnings per common share attributable to common stockholders only to the extent the underlying performance-based or market-based vesting conditions are satisfied as of the end of the reporting period, or would be considered satisfied if the end of the reporting period was the end of the related contingency period, and the results would be dilutive under the treasury stock method.

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

	Three Months Ended					Six Months Ended				
	Jul	30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021		Jul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021		
Net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc.	\$	23,962	\$	61,062	\$	31,932	\$	73,068		
Less net earnings attributable to nonvested restricted stockholders		264		699		264		775		
Net earnings attributable to common stockholders		23,698		60,363		31,668		72,293		
Add interest expense related to the Notes		988		_		1,925		_		
Net earnings attributable to common stockholders used in diluted computations	\$	24,686	\$	60,363	\$	33,593	\$	72,293		
Weighted average common shares used in basic computations		56,954		64,336		59,003		64,185		
Effect of dilutive securities:										
Stock options and restricted stock units		1,528		1,738		1,623		1,748		
The Notes		11,817		_		11,817				
Weighted average common shares used in diluted computations		70,299		66,074		72,443		65,933		
Net earnings per common share attributable to common stockho	lders:									
Basic	\$	0.42	\$	0.94	\$	0.54	\$	1.13		
Diluted	\$	0.35	\$	0.91	\$	0.46	\$	1.10		

During the three months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021, equity awards granted for 1,209,255 and 272,705 shares, respectively, of the Company's common stock and for the six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021, equity awards granted for 1,294,538 and 326,474 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, as calculated under the treasury stock method, resulted in these awards being antidilutive. For the three and six months ended July 30, 2022, the Company excluded 594,985 nonvested stock units which were subject to the achievement of performance-based or 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 July 30, 2022. For the three and six months ended July 31, 2021, there were 695,566 nonvested stock units subject to the achievement of performance-based or market-based vesting conditions that were excluded from the computation of diluted weighted average common shares and common equivalent shares outstanding as the respective conditions were not achieved as of July 31, 2021.

Warrants to purchase approximately 11.6 million shares of the Company's common shares at an initial strike price of \$46.88 per share were outstanding as of July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021. These warrants were excluded from the computation of diluted 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 and six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021.

#### (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.

On March 18, 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 and received an initial delivery of approximately 3.3 million shares of common stock on March 21, 2022. The Company received a final settlement of an additional 5.2 million shares under the 2022 ASR Contract on June 24, 2022.

During the three and six months ended July 30, 2022, the Company repurchased 5,196,027 and 8,985,603 shares, respectively, of the Company's common stock under the Company's 2021 Share Repurchase Program at an aggregate cost of \$105.0 million and \$186.7 million, respectively, which is inclusive of the shares repurchased under the 2022 ASR Contract. There were no shares repurchased under the 2012 Share Repurchase Program during the three and six months ended July 31, 2021. As of July 30, 2022, the Company had remaining authority under the 2021 Share Repurchase Program to purchase \$62.3 million of its common stock.

#### Dividends

The following sets forth the cash dividend declared per share:

	Three Months Ended					Six Mont	ths	Ended	
	Jul 30, 2022			Jul 31, 2021	Jul 30, 2022			Jul 31, 2021	
Cash dividend declared per share	\$	0.2250	\$	0.1125	\$	0.4500	\$	0.2250	

In accordance with the terms of the indenture governing the Notes, the Company has adjusted the conversion rate and the conversion price of the Notes for quarterly dividends exceeding \$0.1125 per share.

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):

	C Tra	Foreign urrency anslation justment		Derivative Financial Instruments Designated as Cash Flow Hedges	D	efined Benefit Plans		Total		
			,	Three Months En	ıded	l Jul 30, 2022				
Balance at April 30, 2022	\$	(153,301)	\$	13,400	\$	(6,812)	\$	(146,713)		
Gains (losses) arising during the period		(10,561)		1,879		(81)		(8,763)		
Reclassification to net earnings for gains realized				(1,039)		(9)		(1,048)		
Net other comprehensive income (loss)		(10,561)		840		(90)		(9,811)		
Balance at July 30, 2022	\$	(163,862)	\$	14,240	\$	(6,902)	\$	(156,524)		
		Six Months Ended Jul 30, 2022								
Balance at January 29, 2022	\$	(135,861)	\$	7,280	\$	(6,968)	\$	(135,549)		
Gains (losses) arising during the period		(28,001)		9,442		71		(18,488)		
Reclassification to net earnings for gains realized				(2,482)		(5)		(2,487)		
Net other comprehensive income (loss)		(28,001)		6,960		66		(20,975)		
Balance at July 30, 2022	\$	(163,862)	\$	14,240	\$	(6,902)	\$	(156,524)		
			Three Months Ended Jul 31, 2021							
Balance at May 1, 2021	\$	(108,403)	\$	(2,863)	\$	(9,636)	\$	(120,902)		
Gains (losses) arising during the period		(5,325)		1,471		(39)		(3,893)		
Reclassification to net earnings for losses realized				790		77		867		
Net other comprehensive income (loss)		(5,325)		2,261		38		(3,026)		
Balance at July 31, 2021	\$	(113,728)	\$	(602)	\$	(9,598)	\$	(123,928)		
	Six Months Ended Jul 31, 2021									
Balance at January 30, 2021	\$	(105,970)	\$	(4,876)	\$	(9,829)	\$	(120,675)		
Gains (losses) arising during the period		(7,758)		3,024		77		(4,657)		
Reclassification to net earnings for losses realized				1,250		154		1,404		
Net other comprehensive income (loss)		(7,758)		4,274		231		(3,253)		
Balance at July 31, 2021	\$	(113,728)	\$	(602)	\$	(9,598)	\$	(123,928)		

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

	Three Months Ended Six Months Ended								Location of (Gain) Loss Reclassified from
	Jul 30,	2022		Jul 31, 2021	l, 2021 Jul 30,			Jul 31, 2021	Accumulated OCI into Earnings
Derivative financial instruments designated as cash flow hedges:									
Foreign exchange currency contracts	\$	(1,198)	\$	829	\$	(2,872)	\$	1,291	Cost of product sales
Interest rate swap		35		195		96		131	Interest expense
Less income tax effect		124		(234)		294		(172)	Income tax expense
		(1,039)		790		(2,482)		1,250	
Defined benefit plans:									
Net actuarial loss amortization		12		106		42		211	Other expense
Prior service credit amortization		(22)		(17)		(45)		(34)	Other expense
Less income tax effect		1		(12)		(2)		(23)	Income tax expense
		(9)		77		(5)		154	
Total reclassifications during the period	\$	(1,048)	\$	867	\$	(2,487)	\$	1,404	

#### (5) Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable is summarized as follows (in thousands):

	J	ul 30, 2022	Jan 29, 2022
Trade	\$	267,202	\$ 299,160
Royalty		36,538	33,790
Other		6,491	6,945
		310,231	 339,895
Less allowances		8,572	11,039
	\$	301,659	\$ 328,856

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):

	J	ul 30, 2022	Jan 29, 2022
Raw materials	\$	3,187	\$ 1,228
Work in progress		3	3
Finished goods		532,340	461,064
	\$	535,530	\$ 462,295

The balances include an allowance to write down inventories to the lower of cost or net realizable value of \$30.7 million and \$31.8 million as of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, respectively.

#### (7) Income Taxes

#### Effective Income Tax Rate

Income tax expense 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 an expense of 35.8% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to 23.3% for the six months ended July 31, 2021. The change in the effective income tax rate was primarily due to a decrease in earnings, which included losses in certain tax jurisdictions for which the Company did not recognize an income tax benefit, in fiscal 2023 compared to the same prior-year period.

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

During the third quarter of fiscal 2022, the Company completed an intra-entity transfer of intellectual property rights from a U.S. entity 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.

#### Unrecognized Income Tax Benefit

From time-to-time, the Company is subject to routine income and other income tax audits on various income tax matters around the world in the ordinary course of business. As of July 30, 2022, no major income tax audits were ongoing.

As of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, the Company had \$60.3 million and \$57.5 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 a U.S. entity 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 condensed 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. 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. As of July 30, 2022, the Company determined that approximately \$18.3 million of such foreign earnings are no longer 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. It is not practicable to estimate the amount of tax that might be payable if these earnings were repatriated due to the complexities associated with the hypothetical calculation.

#### (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					<b>Six Months Ended</b>			
	J	ul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021	Jul 30, 2022			Jul 31, 2021	
Net revenue:				_					
Americas Retail	\$	181,655	\$	186,297	\$	348,140	\$	341,832	
Americas Wholesale		50,195		49,858		118,552		95,288	
Europe		336,707		322,723		612,716		564,575	
Asia		49,365		47,813		105,587		103,473	
Licensing		24,768		21,933		51,168		43,458	
Total net revenue	\$	642,690	\$	628,624	\$	1,236,163	\$	1,148,626	
Earnings (loss) from operations:									
Americas Retail	\$	23,921	\$	37,916	\$	38,187	\$	58,190	
Americas Wholesale		11,442		12,944		28,839		24,499	
Europe		34,538		51,417		52,428		55,615	
Asia		(3,300)		(4,847)		(6,787)		(6,655)	
Licensing		21,206		20,154		45,650		39,585	
Total segment earnings from operations		87,807		117,584		158,317		171,234	
Corporate overhead		(33,349)		(29,115)		(66,541)		(57,891)	
Asset impairment charges <sup>1</sup>		(1,919)		(1,501)		(3,463)		(1,942)	
Net gains on lease modifications <sup>2</sup>		907		420		1,508		2,565	
Total earnings from operations	\$	53,446	\$	87,388	\$	89,821	\$	113,966	

#### Notes:

During the three and six months ended July 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. During the three and six months ended July 31, 2021, the Company recognized asset impairment charges related primarily to certain operating lease ROU assets and property and equipment of certain retail stores resulting from lower revenue and future cash flow projections from the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and expected store closures. Refer to Note 2 and Note 15 for more information regarding these asset impairment charges.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> During the three and six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021, the Company recorded net gains on lease modifications related primarily to the early termination of certain lease agreements.

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					Six Months Ended			
	Ju	ıl 30, 2022	Jul 31, 2021			Jul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021	
Net revenue:									
U.S.	\$	159,134	\$	180,265	\$	328,261	\$	337,331	
Italy		72,695		64,803		129,061		112,356	
Germany		49,063		52,204		84,904		86,882	
Canada		43,982		34,425		84,560		61,065	
Spain		36,674		31,737		66,787		57,244	
South Korea		28,125		26,802		64,009		54,611	
Other countries		228,249		216,455		427,413		395,679	
Total product sales		617,922		606,691		1,184,995		1,105,168	
Net royalties		24,768		21,933		51,168		43,458	
Net revenue	\$	642,690	\$	628,624	\$	1,236,163	\$	1,148,626	

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.

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

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

		Jul 30, 2022	J	an 29, 2022
Term loans	\$	36,362	\$	48,253
Finance lease obligations		21,661		22,943
Mortgage debt		17,524		17,860
Borrowings under credit facilities		58,261		12,201
Other		3,475		3,092
	' <u></u>	137,283		104,349
Less current installments		37,996		43,379
Long-term debt and finance lease obligations	\$	99,287	\$	60,970

#### Term Loans

As a precautionary measure to ensure financial flexibility and maintain maximum liquidity in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Company entered into term loans with certain banks primarily in Europe during fiscal 2021. These loans are primarily unsecured, have remaining terms ranging from one to three years and incur interest at annual rates ranging between 1.3% to 2.2%. As of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, the Company had outstanding borrowings of \$36.4 million and \$48.3 million under these borrowing arrangements, respectively.

#### Finance Lease Obligations

During fiscal 2018, the Company relocated its European distribution center to the Netherlands. The finance lease 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 \$16.4 million and \$19.6 million as of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, respectively.

The Company also has smaller finance leases related primarily to computer hardware and software. As of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, these finance lease obligations totaled \$5.2 million and \$3.4 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.

#### Credit Facilities

#### 2021 Credit Facility

During fiscal 2021, the Company entered into an amendment of its senior secured asset-based revolving credit facility with Bank of America, N.A. and other lenders (as amended, the "2021 Credit Facility"). The 2021 Credit Facility provides for a borrowing capacity in an amount up to \$120 million, including a Canadian sub-facility up to \$20 million, subject to a borrowing base. Based on applicable accounts receivable and inventory balances as of July 30, 2022, the Company could have borrowed up to \$110 million under the 2021 Credit Facility. The 2021 Credit Facility has an option to expand the borrowing capacity by up to \$180 million subject to certain terms and conditions, including the willingness of existing or new lenders to assume such increased amount. The 2021 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 working capital and other general corporate purposes. As of July 30, 2022, the Company had \$9.6 million in outstanding standby letters of credit, no outstanding documentary letters of credit and no outstanding borrowings under the 2021 Credit Facility. As of January 29, 2022, the Company had \$10.1 million in outstanding standby letters of credit, no outstanding documentary letters of credit and no outstanding borrowings under the 2021 Credit Facility.

The 2021 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 2021 Credit Facility or generally if borrowings exceed 80% of the borrowing base. In addition, the 2021 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 2021 Credit Facility, the lenders may cease making loans, terminate the 2021 Credit Facility and declare all amounts outstanding to be immediately due and payable. The 2021 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 2021 Credit Facility allows for both secured and unsecured borrowings outside of the 2021 Credit Facility up to specified amounts.

#### Long-Term 2022 Credit Facility

On May 5, 2022, 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 July 30, 2022, the Company had no outstanding standby letters of credit, no outstanding documentary letters of credit, \$51.1 million in outstanding borrowings and \$204.5 million available for future borrowings under the 2022 Credit Facility.

#### Other Credit Facilities

The Company, through its China 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 \$5.6 million and \$12.2 million in outstanding borrowings under this agreement as of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, respectively.

The Company, through its Japan subsidiary, maintains a short-term uncommitted bank borrowing agreement that provides for a borrowing capacity up to \$3.8 million, primarily for working capital purposes. The Company had \$1.5 million outstanding borrowings under this agreement as of July 30, 2022 and no outstanding borrowings as of January 29, 2022.

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

2.00% Convertible Senior Notes due 2024

In April 2019, the Company issued \$300 million principal amount of the Notes in a private offering. In connection with the issuance of the Notes, the Company entered into an indenture (the "Indenture") with respect to the Notes with U.S. Bank N.A., as trustee (the "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 Notes will mature on April 15, 2024, unless earlier repurchased or converted in accordance with their terms.

The 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 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 indenture governing the Notes, the Company has adjusted the conversion rate and the conversion price of the Notes for quarterly dividends exceeding \$0.1125 per share (currently \$25.39). Prior to November 15, 2023, the 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 Notes.

Following certain corporate events described in the Indenture that occur prior to the maturity date, the conversion rate will be increased for a holder who elects to convert its Notes in connection with such corporate event in certain circumstances. The Notes are not redeemable prior to maturity, and no sinking fund is provided

for the Notes. As of July 30, 2022, none of the conditions allowing holders of the Notes to convert had been met. The Company expects to settle the principal amount of the Notes in 2024 in cash and any excess in shares.

On January 30, 2022, the Company adopted the authoritative guidance which simplifies the accounting for convertible instruments and contracts in an entity's own equity using the modified retrospective method. Prior to adoption, the Company separated the Notes into liability and equity components. The liability component was recorded at fair value. The equity component represented the difference between the proceeds from the issuance of the Notes and the fair value of the liability component. The equity component was not subject to remeasurement as long as the equity component continued to meet the conditions for equity classification. The excess of the liability component over its carrying amount ("debt discount") was being amortized to interest expense over the term of the Notes. During the three and six months ended July 31, 2021, the Company recorded \$2.8 million and \$5.6 million, respectively, of interest expense related to the amortization of the debt discount. As a result of the adoption of the authoritative guidance on January 30, 2022, the Company derecognized the remaining unamortized debt discount on the Notes and recorded no interest expense related to the amortization of the debt discount during the three and six months ended July 30, 2022. Refer to Note 1 for further information regarding this recently adopted guidance.

Debt issuance costs were comprised of \$3.8 million of discounts and commissions payable to the initial purchasers and third-party offering costs of approximately \$1.5 million. Debt issuance costs were recorded as a contra-liability and are presented net against the Notes balance on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. These costs are being amortized to interest expense over the term of the Notes.

The Notes consist of the following (in thousands):

	Ju	l 30, 2022	J	Jan 29, 2022
Liability component:				
Principal	\$	300,000	\$	300,000
Unamortized debt discount <sup>1</sup>				(27,498)
Unamortized issuance costs		(1,479)		(1,907)
Net carrying amount	\$	298,521	\$	270,595
Equity component, net <sup>2</sup>	\$	(759)	\$	42,320

#### Notes:

As of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, the fair value of the Notes, net of unamortized debt discount and debt issuance costs, was approximately \$301.6 million and \$303.1 million, respectively. 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 Bond Hedge and Warrant Transactions

In connection with the offering of the Notes, the Company entered into convertible note hedge transactions whereby the Company had the option to purchase a total of approximately 11.6 million shares of its common stock at an initial strike price of approximately \$25.78 per share, in each case subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. The total cost of the convertible note hedge transactions was \$61.0 million. In addition, the Company sold warrants whereby the holders of the warrants had the option to purchase a total of approximately 11.6 million shares of the Company's common stock at an initial strike price of \$46.88 per share. The Company received \$28.1 million in cash proceeds from the sale of these warrants. Both the number

Due to adoption of the authoritative guidance, unamortized debt discount was derecognized on January 30, 2022.

As a result of adoption of the authoritative guidance on January 30, 2022, the equity component was eliminated and recorded as an adjustment to retained earnings. As of July 30, 2022, the balance is associated with convertible bond hedge issuance costs and deferred income taxes, which are not impacted by the adoption. As of January 29, 2022, the balance was included in paid-in capital within stockholders' equity on the condensed consolidated balance sheets and is net of debt issuance costs and deferred taxes.

of shares underlying the convertible note hedges and warrants and the strike price of the instruments are subject to customary adjustments. In accordance with the 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 the warrants for quarterly dividends exceeding \$0.1125 per share (currently \$46.16). Taken together, the purchase of the convertible note hedges and sale of the warrants are intended to offset dilution from the conversion of the Notes to the extent the market price per share of the Company's common stock exceeds the adjusted strike price of the 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 adjusted 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.

As of July 30, 2022, there was no deferred income tax liability in connection with the debt discount. As of January 29, 2022, the Company had a deferred income tax liability of \$6.2 million in connection with the debt discount included in deferred income tax assets on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet. As of both July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, the Company had a deferred income tax asset of \$6.9 million in connection with the convertible note hedge transactions. The net deferred income tax impact was included in deferred income tax assets on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets.

#### (11) Share-Based Compensation

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

		Three Mo	s Ended	Six Months Ended				
	Jul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021		Jul 30, 2022			Jul 31, 2021
Stock options	\$	712	\$	907	\$	1,312	\$	1,814
Stock awards/units		5,852		3,837		9,224		6,910
Employee Stock Purchase Plan		63		58		143		138
Total share-based compensation expense	\$	6,627	\$	4,802	\$	10,679	\$	8,862

Unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested stock options and nonvested stock awards/units totaled approximately \$2.2 million and \$33.1 million, respectively, as of July 30, 2022. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.7 years.

#### Grants

On June 3, 2022, the Company made a grant of 451,830 nonvested stock units to certain of its executive employees. These nonvested stock units are subject to certain performance-based or market-based vesting conditions.

#### Annual Grants

On May 10, 2022, the Company made an annual grant of 503,960 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 six months ended July 30, 2022:

	Number of Units	Grant I	d Average Oate Fair ılue
Nonvested at January 29, 2022	643,813	\$	18.78
Granted	294,985		20.34
Vested	(314,453)		17.31
Forfeited	(11,718)		26.40
Nonvested at July 30, 2022	612,627	\$	20.14

#### 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 six months ended July 30, 2022:

	Number of Units	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Nonvested at January 29, 2022	877,813	\$ 14.22
Granted	156,845	14.66
Vested	_	_
Forfeited	(87,871)	9.39
Nonvested at July 30, 2022	946,787	\$ 14.75

On April 22, 2022, the Company's stockholders approved an amendment and restatement of the Guess?, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2004 Plan"). The amendment and restatement of the 2004 Plan (a) increased the aggregate number of shares of the Company's common stock available for award grants under the 2004 Plan by 680,000 shares (from 29,100,000 shares to 29,780,000 shares), (b) changed the ratio at which a "Full-Value Award" (any award granted under the 2004 Plan other than a stock option or stock appreciation right) counts against the total share limit under the 2004 Plan from 3.54 shares for every one share actually issued in connection with such award to 1.6 shares for every one share actually issued in connection with such award, (c) extended the Company's ability to grant new awards under the 2004 Plan through March 26, 2032, and (d) made members of the Company's Board of Directors who are not employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries eligible to receive award grants under the 2004 Plan.

#### (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 July 30, 2022 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 \$4.5 million and \$4.3 million for the six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021, respectively. The Company believes the terms of the related party leases have not been significantly affected by the fact the Company and the lessors are related.

#### 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 total fees paid under these arrangements for the six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021 were approximately \$1.0 million and \$1.9 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 also 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 July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, the Company had a note receivable of \$0.2 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. 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 provides 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. During the three months ended July 30, 2022, there were no fees paid with respect to the U.S. fulfillment services and under \$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 \$1.5 million and \$0.4 million for the six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021, 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.

#### (13) Commitments and Contingencies

#### **Investment Commitments**

As of July 30, 2022, the Company had an unfunded commitment to invest €11.0 million (\$11.2 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 (\$10.0 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 (\$9.9 million) of these favorable MFDTC judgments with the Appeals Court. To date, €8.5 million (\$8.7 million) have been decided in favor of the Company and €1.2 million (\$1.2 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 (\$1.1 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 19, 2021, a former model for the Company filed an action against the Company's Chief Creative Officer and the Company in the California Superior Court in Los Angeles (Jane Doe v. Paul Marciano, et al.). The complaint asserted several claims based on allegations that the former model was treated improperly by Mr. Paul Marciano and retaliated against by the Company. The complaint sought an unspecified amount of general damages, medical expenses, lost earnings, punitive damages and attorneys' fees. As described in more detail below, the Company and Mr. Paul Marciano entered into a settlement agreement in August 2022 with the plaintiff in the January 2021 action, resolving the January 2021 action.

In March and April 2021, the Company received separate communications from two other individuals containing similar allegations against Mr. Paul Marciano and the Company. Each individual who contacted the Company in March 2021 and April 2021 was represented by the same attorney who represented the plaintiff in the January 2021 action. Though no complaint was filed with respect to the allegations in the March 2021 letter and Mr. Paul Marciano and the Company disputed each of those allegations fully, in order to avoid the cost of litigation and without admitting liability or fault, the Company and Mr. Paul Marciano entered into a settlement agreement with the individual who sent the March 2021 letter, resolving the claims for an aggregate total amount of \$300,000 in July 2021.

On October 22, 2021, the individual who sent the April 2021 letter filed an action against Mr. Paul Marciano and the Company in the United States District Court for the Central District of California (Jane Doe 3 v. Paul Marciano, et al.). The complaint asserted a claim under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act based on allegations that the individual was treated improperly by Mr. Paul Marciano. The complaint sought an unspecified amount of compensatory damages, punitive damages and attorneys' fees. Though Mr. Paul Marciano and the Company also disputed these claims fully, in order to avoid the cost of litigation and without

admitting liability or fault, the Company and Mr. Paul Marciano entered into a settlement agreement with the individual who sent the April 2021 letter and filed the October 2021 action, resolving the claims for an aggregate total amount of \$120,000 in March 2022.

On March 16, 2022, the plaintiff in the January 2021 action and another former model for the Company filed an action against those individuals who were on the Company's Board of Directors in January 2019 (the "Defendants") in the California Superior Court in Los Angeles (Jane Doe 1 and Jane Doe 2 v. Maurice Marciano, et al.). The complaint asserted that the Defendants aided and abetted the alleged improper behavior of Mr. Paul Marciano described in the January 2021 action and discomfort felt by the other individual during interactions with Mr. Paul Marciano described in the March 2022 action. The complaint sought an unspecified amount of general damages and attorneys' fees and sought an order for the Defendants to remove Mr. Paul Marciano from the Board of Directors and relieve him of his day-to-day duties at the Company. The individual plaintiffs in the March 2022 action were represented by the same attorney who represented the plaintiffs in the January 2021 and October 2021 actions.

Though Mr. Paul Marciano and the Company disputed in full each of the allegations in the January 2021 action, and the Defendants in the March 2022 action disputed in full each of the allegations therein, in order to avoid the cost of litigation and without admitting liability or fault, the Company and Mr. Paul Marciano entered into settlement agreements in August 2022 for an aggregate total amount of \$1,000,000 with the plaintiffs in the March 2022 action, resolving the January 2021 action and their individual claims in the March 2022 action.

All previously pending claims of individuals alleging personal mistreatment by Mr. Paul Marciano have now been resolved.

#### Redeemable Noncontrolling 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 and \$0.4 million as of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, respectively.

The Company 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, representing 30% 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 during the period after December 28, 2020, the fifth anniversary of the agreement, through December 31, 2025. The redemption value of the Guess CIS put arrangement 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 \$9.8 million and \$9.1 million as of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, respectively. The parties are evaluating the potential purchase of the 30% interest held by the noncontrolling interest holder in light of the various sanctions recently imposed by the United States and European governments with respect to Russia, including the U.S. ban on new investment in Russia. 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 six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021, the Company had no redeemable noncontrolling interest redemption value adjustment.

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

		Six Months Ended				
	Ju	1 30, 2022	J	ul 31, 2021		
Beginning balance	\$	9,500	\$	3,920		
Foreign currency translation adjustment		777		154		
Ending balance	\$	10,277	\$	4,074		

#### (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 \$66.4 million and \$70.9 million as of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, 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 losses of \$0.2 million and \$3.5 million in other income and expense during the three and six months ended July 30, 2022, respectively, and unrealized gains of \$2.2 million in other income and expense during the three and six months ended July 31, 2021. The projected benefit obligation was \$49.3 million and \$49.4 million as of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, 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 and \$1.0 million were made during the three and six months ended July 30, 2022, respectively. SERP benefit payments of \$0.5 million and \$1.0 million were made during the three and six months ended July 31, 2021, respectively.

#### 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 July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, the foreign pension plans had a total projected benefit obligation of \$41.4 million and \$42.7 million, respectively, and plan assets held in independent investment fiduciaries of \$36.9 million and \$38.0 million, respectively. The net liability of \$4.5 million and \$4.7 million was included in other long-term liabilities in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets as of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, respectively.

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

		SERP	Foreign Pension Plans	Total						
	Three Months Ended Jul 30, 2022									
Service cost	\$	_	\$ 741	\$ 74	41					
Interest cost		334	55	38	39					
Expected return on plan assets		_	(67)	(6	57)					
Net amortization of unrecognized prior service credit		_	(22)	(2	22)					
Net amortization of actuarial losses		_	12	1	12					
Net periodic defined benefit pension cost	\$	334	\$ 719	\$ 1,05	53					
		Six N	Months Ended Jul 30	, 2022						
Service cost	\$	_	\$ 1,516	\$ 1,51	16					
Interest cost		667	112	77	79					
Expected return on plan assets		_	(137)	(13	37)					
Net amortization of unrecognized prior service credit		_	(45)	(4	<b>1</b> 5)					
Net amortization of actuarial losses		17	25		12					
Net periodic defined benefit pension cost	\$	684	\$ 1,471	\$ 2,15	55					
		Three	Months Ended Jul	31, 2021						
Service cost	\$	_	\$ 793	\$ 79	93					
Interest cost		288	19	30	)7					
Expected return on plan assets		_	(52)	(5	52)					
Net amortization of unrecognized prior service credit			(17)	(1	7)					
Net amortization of actuarial losses		20	86	10	06					
Net periodic defined benefit pension cost	\$	308	\$ 829	\$ 1,13	37					
		Six N	Months Ended Jul 31	, 2021						
Service cost	\$	_	\$ 1,583	\$ 1,58	33					
Interest cost		577	38	61	15					
Expected return on plan assets		_	(104)	(10	)4)					
Net amortization of unrecognized prior service credit		_	(34)	(3	34)					
Net amortization of actuarial losses		40	171	21	11					
Net periodic defined benefit pension cost	\$	617	\$ 1,654	\$ 2,27	71					

#### (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 Jul 30, 2022						Fair Value Measurements at Jan 29, 2022								
Recurring Fair Value Measures	Le	Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Total				Level 1 Level 2				Level 3			Total		
Assets:															
Foreign exchange currency contracts	\$	_	\$ 13,23	2 \$	_	\$ 13,232	\$	_	\$	7,133	\$	_	\$	7,133	
Interest rate swap		_	58	4	_	584		_		_		_		_	
Total	\$		\$ 13,81	6 \$		\$ 13,816	\$		\$	7,133	\$		\$	7,133	
Liabilities:															
Foreign exchange currency contracts	\$	_	\$ 97	0 \$	_	\$ 970	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	
Interest rate swap		_	-	_	_	_		_		74		_		74	
Deferred compensation obligations		_	15,35	4	_	15,354		_		15,794		_		15,794	
Total	\$		\$ 16,32	4 \$	_	\$ 16,324	\$	_	\$	15,868	\$	_	\$	15,868	

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 (\$3.8 million) and €3.6 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 July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, 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 July 30, 2022, the Company had an unfunded commitment to invest an additional €11.0 million (\$11.2 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 July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, 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 longlived 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, the COVID-19 pandemic negatively impacted the Company's financial results during the three and six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021, and could continue to impact the Company's operations in ways the Company is not able to predict today due to the evolving situation. 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 and \$3.5 million during the three and six months ended July 30, 2022, respectively. The Company recognized \$1.8 million and \$3.4 million in impairment of property and equipment related to certain retail locations primarily in Europe and Asia driven by under-performance and expected store closures during the three and six months ended July 30, 2022, respectively. This compares to asset impairment charges of \$1.5 million and \$1.9 million during the three and six months ended July 31, 2021, respectively. The Company recognized \$1.5 million and \$1.9 million in impairment of property and equipment related to certain retail locations primarily in Europe and Asia during the three and six months ended July 31, 2021, respectively. The Company recognized immaterial impairment on ROU assets primarily in Europe during the three and six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021. Refer to Note 2 for further information on impairment charges recognized on operating lease ROU assets.

#### 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.

The COVID-19 pandemic continued to impact the Company's businesses during the first six months of fiscal 2023. During the three months ended July 30, 2022, 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 July 30, 2022, 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 Jul 30, 2022			Value at Jan 19, 2022	Derivative Balance Sheet Location
ASSETS:					
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments:					
Cash flow hedges:					
Foreign exchange currency contracts	\$ 9,9	39	\$	5,999	Other current assets/ Other assets
Interest rate swap	5	84		_	Other assets
Total derivatives designated as hedging instruments	10,5	23		5,999	
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:					
Foreign exchange currency contracts	3,2	93		1,134	Other current assets
Total	\$ 13,8	16	\$	7,133	
LIABILITIES:			-		
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments:					
Cash flow hedges:					
Foreign exchange currency contracts	\$ 8	30	\$	_	Accrued expenses/ Other long-term liabilities
Interest rate swap	_			74	Other long-term liabilities
Total derivatives designated as hedging instruments	8	30		74	
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:					
Foreign exchange currency contracts	1	40		_	Accrued expenses and other current liabilities
Total	\$ 9	70	\$	74	

#### *Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments*

Foreign Exchange Currency Contracts Designated as Cash Flow Hedges

During the six months ended July 30, 2022, the Company purchased U.S. dollar forward contracts in Europe totaling US\$198.0 million that were designated as cash flow hedges. As of July 30, 2022, the Company had forward contracts outstanding for its European operations of US\$249.0 million to hedge forecasted merchandise purchases, which are expected to mature over the next 17 months.

As of July 30, 2022, accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) related to foreign exchange currency contracts included a \$13.8 million net unrealized gain, net of tax, of which \$11.6 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 29, 2022, the Company had forward contracts outstanding for its European operations of US\$146.0 million that were designated as cash flow hedges.

Interest Rate Swap Agreement Designated as Cash Flow Hedge

As of July 30, 2022, accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) related to the interest rate swap agreement included a net unrealized gain of \$0.4 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 (in thousands):

Location of Gains

	Ga	iins (Losses) Ro	eco	gnized in OCI	(Losses) Reclassified from Accumulated OCI into Earnings	Gains (Losses) F Accumulated O		
	J	Jul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021		Jul 30, 2022 Ju		Jul 31, 2021
					<b>Three Months Ended</b>			
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedges:								
Foreign exchange currency contracts	\$	2,298	\$	1,781	Cost of product sales	\$ 1,198	\$	(829)
Interest rate swap		(216)		(148)	Interest expense	(35)		(195)
					Six Months Ended			
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedges:								
Foreign exchange currency contracts	\$	10,124	\$	3,292	Cost of product sales	\$ 2,872	\$	(1,291)
Interest rate swap		561		122	Interest expense	(96)		(131)

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

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>					Six Months Ended			
	Jul 30, 2022 Jul 31, 2021			Jul 31, 2021	Jul 30, 2022			Jul 31, 2021	
Beginning balance gain (loss)	\$	13,400	\$	(2,863)	\$	7,280	\$	(4,876)	
Net gains from changes in cash flow hedges		1,879		1,471		9,442		3,024	
Net (gains) losses reclassified into earnings		(1,039)		790		(2,482)		1,250	
Ending balance gain (loss)	\$	14,240	\$	(602)	\$	14,240	\$	(602)	

Foreign Exchange Currency Contracts Not Designated as Hedging Instruments

As of July 30, 2022, the Company had euro foreign exchange currency contracts to purchase US\$47.5 million expected to mature over the next 15 months. As of January 29, 2022, the Company had euro foreign exchange currency contracts to purchase US\$19.0 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 Recognized in Earnings								
	Location of Gains Recognized in _ Earnings		Three Mo	nths	Ended		Six Mont	ths E	hs Ended	
			Jul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021		Jul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021	
Foreign exchange currency					_					
contracts	Other expense	\$	1,561	\$	485	\$	3,141	\$	556	

## (17) Subsequent Events

#### Dividends

On August 24, 2022, the Company announced a regular quarterly cash dividend of \$0.225 per share on the Company's common stock. The cash dividend will be paid on September 23, 2022 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on September 7, 2022. As a result of this dividend declaration and in accordance with the terms of the indenture governing the Notes, the Company 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 September 6, 2022. 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 Notes, each of which will be decreased in accordance with the terms of the convertible note hedge confirmations and warrant confirmations, respectively.

#### 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.

Except for historical information contained herein, certain matters discussed in this Quarterly Report, including statements concerning the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, the conflict in Ukraine and other events impacting the markets in which we operate; statements concerning our future outlook, including with respect to the third quarter and full year of fiscal 2023; 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 that are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements, which 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 inflation 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, which were made using the best information available at the time: 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 \$300 million 2.00% convertible senior notes due 2024 (the "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 non-cash 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 cyberattacks 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 impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, 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.

## **COVID-19 Business Update**

The COVID-19 pandemic is continuing to negatively impact certain regions of our business, especially in Asia where our operations for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 were impacted by capacity restrictions and temporary store closures. Overall, this resulted in the closure of less than 1% of our directly operated stores as of July 30, 2022, mostly in Asia, the impact of which was minimal to our three and six months ended July 30, 2022 results.

The COVID-19 pandemic has also contributed to disruptions in the overall global supply chain, contributing to industry-wide higher product and freight costs. We have been working actively to mitigate these headwinds to the extent possible through a number of global supply chain initiatives.

In light of the fluid nature of the pandemic, we continue to carefully monitor global and regional developments and respond appropriately. We also continue to strategically manage expenses in order to protect profitability and to mitigate, to the extent possible, the effect of supply chain disruptions.

#### **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.

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. 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 six months of fiscal 2023, the average U.S. dollar rate was stronger against the euro, British pound, Turkish lira, Polish Slotzy, 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 and six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year periods.

For the remainder of fiscal 2023, if the U.S. dollar remains relatively strong against fiscal 2022 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 2022 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 2023, particularly in these regions. At roughly prevailing exchange rates, we do expect currencies to continue to represent a significant headwind to revenues, operating profit and margin for the remainder of the fiscal year.

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. 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 July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022. Guess CIS currently operates 43 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 less than 3% of the Company's total revenue for the year ended January 29, 2022 and for the six months ended July 30, 2022, with our operations in Russia comprising over 90% of this total revenue. As of July 30, 2022, 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 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 arrangement provides the noncontrolling interest holder of Guess CIS, a non-sanctioned Russian citizen, the right to compel the Company, through a wholly-owned European subsidiary, to purchase the remaining 30% of the total outstanding equity interest of Guess CIS at its discretion by providing written notice to the Company during the period after December 28, 2020, the fifth anniversary of the agreement, through December 31, 2025. The redemption value of the Guess CIS put arrangement 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 \$9.8 million as of July 30, 2022. In addition, pursuant to an agreement entered into in 2018, 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.

## **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 accounting, trust formation and management consulting services; (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 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;
- Significant exchange rate fluctuation related to the Russian rouble during the first months of the conflict and the possibility of significant exchange rate volatility in the future;
- Potential disruptions of normal cashflow 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.

See Part II, Item 1A. Risk Factors—Our business may also be affected by existing or future sanctions and export controls targeting Russia and other responses to Russia's invasion of Ukraine for additional information.

We are actively monitoring the situation in Ukraine. While the extent to which the Company's 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 the Company's results of operations, financial condition or cash flows.

## Strategy

In March 2021, Carlos Alberini, our Chief Executive Officer, shared his updated strategic vision and implementation plan for execution, which included 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; and (v) functional capabilities; 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 elevated our brand and improved 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.

#### **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.

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 \$100.0 million, leaving an available capacity of \$249.0 million at that time. On March 18, 2022, in connection with this expanded authorization, we entered into an accelerated share repurchase agreement (the "2022 ASR Contract) with a financial institution (in such capacity, the "2022 ASR Counterparty") to repurchase an aggregate \$175.0 million of our common stock. Under the 2022 ASR Contract, we made a payment of \$175.0 million to the 2022 ASR Counterparty and received an initial delivery of approximately 3.3 million shares of our common stock on March 21, 2022. We received a final settlement of an additional 5.2 million shares under the 2022 ASR Contract on June 24, 2022. Refer to "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements – Note 4 – Stockholders' Equity" for further information on the 2022 ASR Contract. During the six months ended July 30, 2022, we also repurchased approximately 0.5 million shares of our common stock in open market transactions totaling \$11.7 million.

## **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 six months ended July 30, 2022 had the same number of days as the six months ended July 31, 2021.

## **Executive Summary**

#### Overview

Net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc. decreased 60.8% to \$24.0 million, or diluted net earnings per share ("EPS") of \$0.35 per common share, for the quarter ended July 30, 2022, compared to \$61.1 million, or diluted EPS of \$0.91 per common share, for the quarter ended July 31, 2021.

During the quarter ended July 30, 2022, we recognized \$1.9 million in asset impairment charges; \$0.9 million in net gains on lease modifications; \$1.3 million for certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs; and \$2.8 million for certain discrete income tax adjustments (or a combined \$1.1 million positive impact after considering the related income tax benefit of \$0.6 million); and we excluded the dilutive share impact of the Notes in our adjusted diluted EPS (or a combined \$0.04 negative per share impact). Excluding the impact of these items, adjusted net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc. was \$22.9 million and adjusted diluted EPS was \$0.39 per common share for the quarter ended July 30, 2022.

During the quarter ended July 31, 2021, we recognized \$1.5 million in asset impairment charges; \$0.4 million in net gains on lease modifications; \$0.1 million for certain professional services and legal fees and related (credits) costs; \$2.8 million of amortization of debt discount related to our Notes; and \$0.1 million for certain discrete income tax adjustments (or a combined \$3.0 million, or \$0.05 per share, negative impact after considering the related income tax benefit of these adjustments of \$1.0 million). Excluding the impact of these items, adjusted net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc. was \$64.1 million and adjusted diluted EPS was \$0.96 per common share for the quarter ended July 31, 2021. 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 July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year quarter are presented below, followed by a more comprehensive discussion under "Results of Operations":

## **Operations**

- Total net revenue increased 2.2% to \$642.7 million for the quarter ended July 30, 2022, compared to \$628.6 million in the same prior-year quarter. In constant currency, net revenue increased by 11.8%.
- Gross margin (gross profit as a percentage of total net revenue) decreased 470 basis points to 42.1% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022, compared to 46.8% in the same prior-year quarter.
- Selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses as a percentage of total net revenue ("SG&A rate") increased 80 basis points to 33.6% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022, compared to 32.8% in the same prior-year quarter. SG&A expenses increased 5.1% to \$216.0 million for the quarter ended July 30, 2022, compared to \$205.6 million in the same prior-year quarter.
- During the quarter ended July 30, 2022, we recognized \$1.9 million of asset impairment charges, compared to \$1.5 million in the same prior-year quarter.
- During the quarter ended July 30, 2022, we recorded \$0.9 million net gains on lease modifications, compared to \$0.4 million in the same prior-year quarter.
- Operating margin decreased 560 basis points to 8.3% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022, compared to 13.9% in the same prior-year quarter. The decrease in operating margin was mainly driven by 200 basis points from higher markdowns, 110 basis points from lower rent relief and government subsidies, 110 basis points from currency headwinds and 70 basis points from higher store labor costs in Americas Retail and Europe. Earnings from operations decreased 38.8% to \$53.4 million for the quarter ended July 30, 2022, compared to \$87.4 million in the same prior-year quarter.

- Other expense, net, totaled \$9.1 million for the quarter ended July 30, 2022, compared to \$1.0 million in the same prior-year quarter.
- The effective income tax rate increased by 12.2% to 34.1% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022, compared to 21.9% in the same prior-year quarter.

#### **Key Balance Sheet Accounts**

- We had \$174.4 million in cash and cash equivalents and no restricted cash as of July 30, 2022 compared to \$458.9 million in cash and cash equivalents and \$0.2 million in restricted cash at July 31, 2021.
  - As of July 30, 2022, we had \$36.4 million in outstanding borrowings under our term loans and \$58.3 million in outstanding borrowings under our credit facilities compared to \$55.0 million in outstanding borrowings under our term loans and no outstanding borrowings under our credit facilities as of July 31, 2021.
  - During the six months ended July 30, 2022, we made a payment of \$175.0 million for share repurchases under the 2022 ASR Contract. During the six months ended July 31, 2021, there were no share repurchases.
- 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 increased by \$1.7 million,
  or 0.6%, to \$301.7 million as of July 30, 2022 compared to \$299.9 million at July 31, 2021. On a constant currency basis, accounts
  receivable increased by \$44.8 million, or 14.9%, when compared to July 31, 2021.
- Inventory increased by \$105.2 million, or 24.5%, to \$535.5 million as of July 30, 2022, from \$430.3 million at July 31, 2021. On a constant currency basis, inventory increased by \$164.6 million, or 38.3%, when compared to July 31, 2021. The increase was mainly driven by our initiative to mitigate supply chain disruptions by ordering products earlier.

#### **Global Store Count**

During the quarter ended July 30, 2022, together with our partners, we opened 27 new stores worldwide, consisting of 18 stores in Europe and the Middle East, five stores in Asia and the Pacific, and four stores in the Americas. Together with our partners, we closed 34 stores worldwide, consisting of 18 stores in Europe and the Middle East, 11 stores in Asia and the Pacific, and five stores in the Americas.

We ended the second quarter of fiscal 2023 with stores and concessions worldwide comprised as follows:

		Stores				
Region	Total	Directly- Operated	Partner Operated	Total	Directly- Operated	Partner Operated
United States	243	243				
Canada	73	73	_			
Central and South America	102	68	34	29	29	
Total Americas	418	384	34	29	29	
Europe and the Middle East	795	560	235	51	51	
Asia and the Pacific	418	120	298	254	113	141
Total	1,631	1,064	567	334	193	141

Of the total stores, 1,347 were GUESS? stores, 186 were GUESS? Accessories stores, 59 were G by GUESS (GbG) stores and 39 were MARCIANO stores.

#### **Results of Operations**

## Three Months Ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021

## **Consolidated Results**

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

	Three Months Ended									
		Jul 30,	2022		Jul 31, 2021			\$ change	% change	
Net revenue	\$	642,690	100.0 %	\$	628,624	100.0 %	\$	14,066	2.2 %	
Cost of product sales		372,189	57.9 %		334,538	53.2 %		37,651	11.3 %	
Gross profit		270,501	42.1 %		294,086	46.8 %		(23,585)	(8.0 %)	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		216,043	33.6 %		205,617	32.8 %		10,426	5.1 %	
Asset impairment charges		1,919	0.3 %		1,501	0.2 %		418	27.8 %	
Net gains on lease modifications		(907)	(0.1 %)		(420)	(0.1 %)		(487)	116.0 %	
Earnings from operations		53,446	8.3 %		87,388	13.9 %		(33,942)	(38.8 %)	
Interest expense, net		(2,776)	(0.4 %)		(5,548)	(0.9 %)		2,772	(50.0 %)	
Other expense, net		(9,053)	(1.4 %)		(1,001)	(0.1 %)		(8,052)	804.4 %	
Earnings before income tax expense		41,617	6.5 %	. '	80,839	12.9 %		(39,222)	(48.5 %)	
Income tax expense		14,177	2.2 %		17,692	2.9 %		(3,515)	(19.9 %)	
Net earnings		27,440	4.3 %		63,147	10.0 %		(35,707)	(56.5 %)	
Net earnings attributable to noncontrolling interests		3,478	0.6 %		2,085	0.3 %		1,393	66.8 %	
Net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc.	\$	23,962	3.7 %	\$	61,062	9.7 %		(37,100)	(60.8 %)	
Net earnings per common sha			mon stockholders		0.04		Φ.	(0.50)		
Basic	\$	0.42		\$	0.94		\$	(0.52)		
Diluted	\$	0.35		\$	0.91		\$	(0.56)		
Effective income tax rate		34.1 %			21.9 %					

**Net Revenue.** Net revenue increased by \$14 million, or 2%, compared to the same prior-year quarter. In constant currency, net revenue increased by 12%. Roughly 50% of the increase was driven by higher wholesale shipments. Additionally, net new store openings, operation of stores this quarter that had been temporarily closed in the same prior-year quarter and positive store comp sales each contributed to roughly 15% of the increase. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our non-U.S. operations unfavorably impacted net revenue by \$60.2 million compared to the same prior-year quarter.

*Gross Margin.* Gross margin decreased by 4.7% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year quarter, driven by a 390 basis point decrease in product margin and an 80 basis point increase in occupancy rate. The lower product margin was due to an unfavorable 200 basis point impact from higher markdowns and an unfavorable 110 basis point impact from currency impact. The higher occupancy rate was due to a 70 basis point unfavorable impact from lower rent relief and a 60 basis point unfavorable impact from higher store occupancy costs, partially offset by favorable leveraging of expenses from higher revenues.

*Gross Profit.* Gross profit decreased \$24 million for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year quarter. The decrease in gross profit was driven by \$26 million of unfavorable impact from currency translation, \$13 million due to higher markdowns, \$5 million from unfavorable currency transactional impacts, \$5 million due to lower rent relief and \$4 million higher store occupancy expense, partially offset by \$35 million of favorable impact due to higher revenues in constant currency.

Distribution costs include labor, inbound freight charges, purchasing costs and related overhead. Distribution costs 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 0.8% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year quarter. The unfavorable change in SG&A rate was mainly driven by 70 basis points related to higher labor in Americas Retail and Europe and a 40 basis point unfavorable impact from lower government subsidies. These unfavorable impacts were partially offset by leveraging of expenses from higher revenues.

**SG&A Expenses.** SG&A expenses increased \$10 million for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year quarter. The increase in SG&A expenses, which included a favorable impact from currency translation, was mainly driven by \$7 million of higher store selling expenses in Americas Retail and Europe and \$3 million of lower government subsidies. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our foreign operations favorably impacted SG&A expenses by \$18 million.

**Asset Impairment Charges.** During the quarters ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021, we recognized \$1.9 million and \$1.5 million, respectively, of property and equipment and operating lease right-of-use assets impairment charges related to certain retail locations resulting from under-performance and expected store closures.

*Net Gains on Lease Modifications.* During the quarters ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021, we recorded net gains on lease modifications of \$0.9 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, related primarily to the early termination of lease agreements for certain retail locations.

**Operating Margin.** Operating margin decreased 5.6% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year quarter. The decrease in operating margin was due to unfavorable impacts of 200 basis points from higher markdowns, 110 basis points from lower rent relief and government subsidies, 110 basis points from currency translation fluctuations and 70 basis points from higher store labor costs in Americas Retail and Europe. Excluding the impact of higher asset impairment charges, certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs and net gains on lease modifications, our operating margin would have decreased 5.4% compared to the same prior-year quarter.

*Earnings from Operations.* Earnings from operations decreased by \$34 million for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year quarter. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our foreign operations unfavorably impacted earnings from operations by \$8 million.

*Other Expense*, *Net.* Other expense, net for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 was \$9 million compared to \$1 million in the same prior-year quarter. The change was primarily due to higher net unrealized and realized losses from foreign currency exposures compared to the same prior-year quarter.

**Income Tax Expense.** Income tax expense for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 was \$14 million, or a 34.1% effective income tax rate, compared to \$18 million, or a 21.9% effective income tax rate in the same prior-year quarter. Generally, income tax expense 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, which included losses in certain tax jurisdictions for which the Company did not recognize an income tax benefit, in fiscal 2023 compared to the same prior-year period.

**Net Earnings Attributable to Guess?, Inc.** Net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc. decreased \$37 million for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year quarter. Diluted EPS decreased \$0.56 for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year quarter. We estimate a net positive impact of \$0.06 from our adoption of the accounting guidance related to our Notes and share buybacks and a negative impact from currency of \$0.17 on diluted EPS in the quarter ended July 30, 2022 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 July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021. Excluding the impact of these non-GAAP items, adjusted net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc. decreased \$41 million and adjusted diluted EPS decreased \$0.57 for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year quarter. We estimate a net positive impact from our share buybacks of \$0.05 and a negative impact from currency of \$0.19 on adjusted diluted EPS in the quarter ended July 30, 2022 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):

		Three Mo	onths 1	Ended		
	J	ul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021	\$ change	% change
Net revenue:						
Americas Retail	\$	181,655	\$	186,297	\$ (4,642)	(2.5 %)
Americas Wholesale		50,195		49,858	337	0.7 %
Europe		336,707		322,723	13,984	4.3 %
Asia		49,365		47,813	1,552	3.2 %
Licensing		24,768		21,933	2,835	12.9 %
Total net revenue	\$	642,690	\$	628,624	14,066	2.2 %
Earnings (loss) from operations:						
Americas Retail	\$	23,921	\$	37,916	(13,995)	(36.9 %)
Americas Wholesale		11,442		12,944	(1,502)	(11.6 %)
Europe		34,538		51,417	(16,879)	(32.8 %)
Asia		(3,300)		(4,847)	1,547	(31.9 %)
Licensing		21,206		20,154	1,052	5.2 %
Total segment earnings from operations		87,807		117,584	(29,777)	(25.3 %)
Corporate overhead		(33,349)		(29,115)	(4,234)	14.5 %
Asset impairment charges		(1,919)		(1,501)	(418)	27.8 %
Net gains on lease modifications		907		420	487	116.0 %
Total earnings from operations	\$	53,446	\$	87,388	(33,942)	(38.8 %)
Operating margins:						
Americas Retail		13.2 %		20.4 %		
Americas Wholesale		22.8 %		26.0 %		
Europe		10.3 %		15.9 %		
Asia		(6.7 %	)	(10.1 %)		
Licensing		85.6 %	_	91.9 %		
Total Company		8.3 %		13.9 %		

## **Americas Retail**

Net revenue from our Americas Retail segment decreased by \$5 million, or 2% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year quarter. In constant currency, net revenue decreased by 2% compared to the same prior-year quarter. The decrease in net revenue was driven by unfavorable impacts of \$8 million from negative comparable sales, \$3 million from lower e-commerce sales and \$1 million from net permanent store closures. This was partially offset by favorable impacts of \$8 million from the operation of stores this quarter that had been temporarily closed in the same prior-year quarter. Comparable sales (including e-

commerce) decreased 6% in U.S. dollars and 5% in constant currency compared to the same prior-year quarter. The inclusion of our e-commerce sales decreased the comparable sales percentage by 1% in U.S. dollars and a minimal impact in constant currency. As of July 30, 2022, we directly operated 384 stores in the Americas compared to 389 stores at July 31, 2021, excluding concessions, which represents a 1% decrease 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 \$1.8 million.

Operating margin decreased 7.2% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year quarter. Approximately 350 basis points of the decrease was driven by higher markdowns, 300 basis points was due to the unfavorable impact of negative comps, 140 basis points was due to higher store labor costs and 130 basis points was due to lower COVID-19 relief compared to the same prior-year quarter. This was partially offset by 230 basis points of favorable impact from higher initial markups.

Earnings from operations from our Americas Retail segment decreased by \$14 million, or 37% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year quarter. The decrease was driven by a \$6 million decrease from higher markdowns, a \$4 million decrease from lower revenue, a \$2 million decrease from higher store labor costs, and a \$2 million decrease from lower COVID-19 relief. This was partially offset by a \$4 million increase driven by higher initial markups.

#### Americas Wholesale

Net revenue from our Americas Wholesale segment increased by \$0.3 million, or 1% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year quarter. In constant currency, net revenue increased by 2%. The increase in net revenues was driven by \$6 million of favorable impact from higher shipments in our Central and South American business, mainly driven by increased sales in Mexico. This was partially offset by a \$6 million unfavorable impact from our U.S. wholesale business. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our non-U.S. wholesale businesses had an unfavorable impact on net revenue of \$1 million.

Operating margin decreased 3.2% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year quarter. The decrease in operating margin was mainly driven by higher markdowns.

Earnings from operations from our Americas Wholesale segment decreased by \$2 million, or 12% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year quarter, mainly driven by \$2 million of higher markdowns.

#### **Europe**

Net revenue from our Europe segment increased by \$14 million, or 4% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year quarter. In constant currency, net revenue increased by 21%. The increase in net revenue was mainly driven by \$36 million higher wholesale revenue, \$15 million from positive comparable store sales and \$8 million in net new store openings, partially offset by \$52 million of unfavorable currency translation fluctuations. Comparable sales (including e-commerce) decreased 4% in U.S. dollars and increased 10% in constant currency compared to the same prior-year quarter. The inclusion of our e-commerce sales negatively impacted the comparable sales percentage by 1% in U.S. dollars and and 2% in constant currency. As of July 30, 2022, we directly operated 560 stores in Europe compared to 524 stores at July 31, 2021, excluding concessions, which represents a 7% increase from the same prior-year quarter.

Operating margin decreased 5.6% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year quarter. The decrease in operating margin was almost entirely driven by a lower product margin. The decrease in product margin was mainly driven by a 210 basis point impact from currency translation fluctuations, a 170 basis point impact from lower initial markups and a 120 basis point impact from higher markdowns.

Earnings from operations from our Europe segment decreased by \$17 million, or 33% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year quarter. The decrease in operating profit was mainly driven by \$13 million of unfavorable currency impacts, including \$8 million of unfavorable translation impact, \$6 million of lower initial markups and \$4 million due to higher markdowns, partially offset by the favorable impact of higher revenues.

#### Asia

Net revenue from our Asia segment increased by \$2 million, or 3% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year quarter. In constant currency, net revenue increased by 15%. The increase in net revenue was driven by \$3 million due to positive comparable store sales, \$3 million in higher revenues in Australia, and \$1 million from higher revenue in South Korea as a result of the direct operation of certain new stores in South Korea, which we recently acquired from our wholesale partners. This was partially offset by \$6 million of unfavorable currency translation impact. Comparable sales (including e-commerce) decreased 2% in U.S. dollars and increased 10% 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 3% in constant currency.

Operating margin increased 3.4% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year quarter, mainly driven by leveraging of expenses.

Loss from operations from our Asia segment decreased by \$2 million, or 32% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year quarter, mainly driven by higher revenues. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our Asia operations favorably impacted the loss from operations by \$0.2 million.

#### Licensing

Net royalty revenue from our Licensing segment increased by \$3 million, or 13% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year quarter, mainly driven by higher royalties in our handbag category.

Earnings from operations from our Licensing segment increased by \$1 million, or 5% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year quarter. The increase was driven by the favorable impact to earnings from higher revenues.

#### **Corporate Overhead**

Unallocated corporate overhead increased by \$4 million, or 15% for the quarter ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year quarter, primarily due to higher personnel expenses and certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs.

## Six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021

#### **Consolidated Results**

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

		Six Mon	ths 1	Ended				
	Jul 30, 20	)22		Jul 31, 2	021	\$ change	% change	
Net revenue	\$ 1,236,163	100.0 %	\$	1,148,626	100.0 %	\$ 87,537	7.6 %	
Cost of product sales	718,513	58.1 %		642,982	56.0 %	75,531	11.7 %	
Gross profit	517,650	41.9 %		505,644	44.0 %	12,006	2.4 %	
Selling, general and								
administrative expenses	425,874	34.4 %		392,301	34.1 %	33,573	8.6 %	
Asset impairment charges	3,463	0.3 %		1,942	0.2 %	1,521	78.3 %	
Net gains on lease modifications	(1,508)	(0.1 %)		(2,565)	(0.2 %)	1,057	(41.2 %)	
Earnings from operations	89,821	7.3 %		113,966	9.9 %	(24,145)	(21.2 %)	
Interest expense, net	(5,295)	(0.4 %)		(11,100)	(1.0 %)	5,805	(52.3 %)	
Other expense, net	(25,505)	(2.1 %)		(3,702)	(0.4 %)	(21,803)	589.0 %	
Earnings before income tax expense	59,021	4.8 %		99,164	8.6 %	(40,143)	(40.5 %)	
Income tax expense	21,127	1.7 %		23,147	2.0 %	(2,020)	(8.7 %)	
Net earnings	37,894	3.1 %		76,017	6.6 %	(38,123)	(50.2 %)	
Net earnings attributable to noncontrolling interests	5,962	0.5 %		2,949	0.2 %	3,013	102.2 %	
Net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc.	\$ 31,932	2.6 %	\$	73,068	6.4 %	(41,136)	(56.3 %)	
		,						
Net earnings (loss) per comm		o common stock				(0.50)		
	\$ 0.54		\$	1.13		\$ (0.59)		
Diluted	\$ 0.46		\$	1.10		\$ (0.64)		
Effective income tax rate	35.8 %			23.3 %				

*Net Revenue*. Net revenue increased by \$88 million or 8%, compared to the same prior-year period. In constant currency, net revenue increased by 16%. Roughly 40% of the increase was driven by higher wholesale revenue, 30% from the operation of stores in the current year period that had been temporarily closed in the same prior-year period, slightly over 10% from net new store openings and less than 10% from positive store comparable sales.

*Gross Margin.* Gross margin decreased 2.1% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period. The decrease in gross margin was driven entirely by lower product margin. The product margin decrease was driven by 100 basis points due to higher markdowns, 90 basis points of unfavorable currency impacts and 60 basis points of lower initial markups. Overall, occupancy rate remained relatively flat, driven by lower COVID relief compared to the same prior-year period, offset by leveraging of expenses.

*Gross Profit.* Gross profit increased \$12 million for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period. The increase in gross profit was driven by \$92 million due to higher net revenue in constant currency, partially offset by \$43 million of unfavorable currency translational impact, \$12 million of higher

markdowns, \$9 million of lower COVID relief compared to the prior year, \$7 million of unfavorable transactional currency impact and \$7 million of lower initial markups.

Distribution costs include labor, inbound freight charges, purchasing costs and related overhead. Distribution costs 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 0.3% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year period. The unfavorable change in SG&A rate was due to a 100 basis point impact from higher store selling expenses and a 30 basis point impact from higher expenses related to certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs, partially offset by higher revenues.

**SG&A Expenses.** SG&A expenses increased by \$34 million for the six months ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year period. The increase in SG&A expenses, which included a favorable impact from currency translation, was mainly driven by \$25 million of higher store selling expenses in Americas Retail and Europe and \$4 million of higher expenses related to certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our foreign operations favorably impacted SG&A expenses by \$28 million.

**Asset Impairment Charges.** During the six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021, we recognized \$3.5 million and \$1.9 million, respectively, of property and equipment and operating lease right-of-use assets impairment charges related to certain retail locations resulting from under-performance and expected store closures.

*Net Gains on Lease Modifications.* During the six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021, we recorded net gains on lease modifications of \$1.5 million and \$2.6 million, respectively, related primarily to the early termination of lease agreements for certain retail locations.

**Operating Margin.** Operating margin decreased 2.6% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period. The decrease in operating margin was driven by a 110 basis point impact from currency impacts, a 100 basis point impact from higher markdowns, a 100 basis point impact from higher store labor costs, and a 90 basis point impact from lower rent relief and government subsidies, partially offset by leveraging of expenses from higher revenues. Higher expenses related to certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs unfavorably impacted operating margin by 30 basis points. Excluding the impact of higher asset impairment charges and certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs and lower net gains on lease modifications, our operating margin would have decreased 2.1% compared to the same prior-year period.

*Earnings from Operations.* Earnings from operations decreased by \$24 million for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our foreign operations unfavorably impacted earnings from operations by \$14 million.

**Other Expense, Net.** Other expense, net for the six months ended July 30, 2022 was \$26 million compared to \$4 million in the same prior-year period. The change was primarily due to higher net unrealized and realized losses from foreign currency exposures and, to a lesser extent, net unrealized losses on our Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan ("SERP") related assets compared to net unrealized gains in the same prior-year period.

*Income Tax Expense.* Income tax expense for the six months ended July 30, 2022 was \$21 million, or a 35.8% effective income tax rate, compared to income tax expense of \$23 million, or a 23.3% effective income tax rate, in the same prior-year period. Generally, income tax expense 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, which included losses in certain tax jurisdictions for which the Company did not recognize an income tax benefit, in fiscal 2023 compared to the same prior-year period.

**Net Earnings Attributable to Guess?, Inc.** Net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc. decreased \$41 million for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period. Diluted EPS decreased \$0.64 for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period. We estimate a net positive impact from our adoption of new accounting guidance related to our Notes and share buybacks of \$0.09 and a negative impact from currency of \$0.31 on diluted EPS in the six months ended July 30, 2022 when compared to the same prior-year period.

Refer to "Non-GAAP Measures" for an overview of our non-GAAP, or adjusted, financial results for the six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021. Excluding the impact of these non-GAAP items, adjusted net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc. decreased \$40 million and adjusted diluted EPS decreased \$0.55 for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period. We estimate a net positive impact from our share buybacks of \$0.06 and a net negative impact from currency of \$0.33 on adjusted diluted EPS in the six months ended July 30, 2022 when compared to the same prior-year period.

## **Information by Business Segment**

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

		Six Mo					
		Jul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021	\$ change	% change	
Net revenue:							
Americas Retail	\$	348,140	\$	341,832	\$ 6,308	1.8 %	
Americas Wholesale		118,552		95,288	23,264	24.4 %	
Europe		612,716		564,575	48,141	8.5 %	
Asia		105,587		103,473	2,114	2.0 %	
Licensing		51,168		43,458	7,710	17.7 %	
Total net revenue	\$	1,236,163	\$	1,148,626	87,537	7.6 %	
Earnings (loss) from operations:	==						
Americas Retail	\$	38,187	\$	58,190	(20,003)	(34.4 %)	
Americas Wholesale		28,839		24,499	4,340	17.7 %	
Europe		52,428		55,615	(3,187)	(5.7 %)	
Asia		(6,787)		(6,655)	(132)	2.0 %	
Licensing		45,650		39,585	6,065	15.3 %	
Total segment earnings from operations		158,317		171,234	(12,917)	(7.5 %)	
Corporate overhead		(66,541)		(57,891)	(8,650)	14.9 %	
Asset impairment charges		(3,463)		(1,942)	(1,521)	78.3 %	
Net gains on lease modifications		1,508		2,565	(1,057)	(41.2 %)	
Total earnings (loss) from operations	\$	89,821	\$	113,966	(24,145)	(21.2 %)	
Operating margins:							
Americas Retail		11.0 %	)	17.0 %			
Americas Wholesale		24.3 %	)	25.7 %			
Europe		8.6 %	)	9.9 %			
Asia		(6.4 %	)	(6.4 %)			
Licensing		89.2 %		91.1 %			
Total Company		7.3 %	1	9.9 %			

#### Americas Retail

Net revenue from our Americas Retail segment increased by \$6 million, or 2% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period. In constant currency, net revenue increased by 2% compared to the same prior-year period. The increase in net revenue was driven by \$17 million from the

operation of stores during the current year period that had been temporarily closed in the same prior-year period. This was partially offset by \$4 million for each of lower e-commerce sales and negative comparable sales, and \$2 million of net permanent store closures. Comparable sales (including e-commerce) decreased 2% in U.S. dollars and constant currency compared to the same prior-year period. The inclusion of our e-commerce sales decreased the comparable sales percentage by 1% in U.S. dollars and constant currency. As of July 30, 2022, we directly operated 384 stores in the Americas compared to 389 stores at July 31, 2021, excluding concessions, which represents a 1% decrease from the same prior-year period. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our non-U.S. retail stores and e-commerce sites had an unfavorable impact on net revenue of \$2 million.

Operating margin decreased 6.0% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period. Approximately 270 basis points of the decrease was driven by higher store labor costs, 260 basis points was due to higher markdowns, 140 basis points was due to lower rent relief and lower government subsidies and 120 basis points was due to negative store comparable sales. This was partially offset by higher initial markups.

Earnings from operations from our Americas Retail segment decreased \$20 million for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period. Higher store labor costs drove \$9 million of the decrease, \$9 million was due to higher markdowns, \$5 million was due to lower rent relief and government subsidies and \$4 million was due to negative comparable store sales. This was partially offset by higher initial markups.

## Americas Wholesale

Net revenue from our Americas Wholesale segment increased by \$23 million, or 24% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year period. Approximately 45% of the increase was driven by our Mexico wholesale business, 40% from our U.S. wholesale business and 10% from our Canada wholesale business. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our non-U.S. wholesale businesses had an unfavorable impact on net revenue of \$0.5 million.

Operating margin decreased 1.4% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year period. The decrease in operating margin was driven by 280 basis points from higher markdowns and 90 basis points from lower government subsidies, partially offset by leverage from higher revenues.

Earnings from operations from our Americas Wholesale segment increased by \$4 million for the six months ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year period. Approximately \$9 million of the increase is due to higher revenue, partially offset by \$3 million due to higher markdowns and \$1 million from lower government subsidies.

#### Europe

Net revenue from our Europe segment increased by \$48 million, or 9% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year period. In constant currency, net revenue increased by 23%. The increase was driven by \$48 million of higher wholesale shipments, \$46 million from the operation of stores in the current year period that had been temporarily closed in the same prior-year period, \$18 million of positive store comparable sales and \$15 million of net new store openings, partially offset by \$82 million of unfavorable currency translation impact. Comparable sales (including e-commerce) decreased 5% in U.S. dollars and increased 8% in constant currency compared to the same prior-year period. The inclusion of our e-commerce sales decreased the comparable sales percentage by 2% in U.S. dollars and 3% in constant currency. As of July 30, 2022, we directly operated 560 stores in Europe compared to 524 stores at July 31, 2021, excluding concessions, which represents a 7% increase from the same prior-year period.

Operating margin decreased 1.3% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year period. The decrease in operating margin was driven by 270 basis points from lower initial markups, 230 basis points from unfavorable currency impacts and 100 basis points from lower rent relief and government subsidies, partially offset by favorable leverage from higher revenues.

Earnings from operations from our Europe segment decreased by \$3 million, or 6% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period. The decrease in operating profit was mainly driven by \$22 million of unfavorable currency impacts, including a \$14 million unfavorable translation impact, a \$16 million decrease in initial markups and a \$6 million decrease in rent relief and lower government subsidies, partially offset by the favorable impact of higher revenues.

#### Asia

Net revenue from our Asia segment increased by \$2 million, or 2% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period. In constant currency, net revenue increased by 11%. The increase in net revenue was driven by \$9 million from the impact of the direct operation of certain new stores in South Korea, which we recently acquired from our wholesale partners, and \$4 million from our Australia wholesales business, partially offset by \$10 million from the negative impact of the COVID-19 pandemic in China. Comparable sales (including e-commerce) decreased 6% in U.S. dollars and increased 2% in constant currency compared to the same prior-year period. The inclusion of our e-commerce sales negatively impacted the comparable sales percentage by 2% in U.S. dollars and constant currency. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our Asian operations unfavorably impacted net revenue by \$9 million.

Operating margin for the six months ended July 30, 2022 remained flat compared to the same prior-year period.

Loss from operations from our Asia segment increased by \$0.1 million, or 2% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year period. While we experienced approximately \$5 million in lower profit in China due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, this was largely offset by approximately \$1 million favorable impact from each of our businesses in South Korea, Australia, and Singapore. Currency translation fluctuations relating to our Asia operations unfavorably impacted the loss from operations by \$0.1 million.

#### Licensing

Net royalty revenue from our Licensing segment increased by \$8 million, or 18% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period, mainly driven by higher royalties in our handbag category.

Earnings from operations from our Licensing segment increased by \$6 million, or 15% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period. The increase was driven by the favorable impact to earnings from higher revenues.

#### **Corporate Overhead**

Unallocated corporate overhead increased by \$9 million, or 15% for the six months ended July 30, 2022 from the same prior-year period, due to an increase of \$4 million in expenses related to certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs, an increase of \$3 million due to higher personnel and performance based compensation and an increase of \$1 million in advertising costs.

#### **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 and six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021, 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, non-cash amortization of debt discount on our Notes, the related income tax impacts of these adjustments, the impact from changes in the income tax law on deferred income taxes in certain tax jurisdictions, net income tax settlements and adjustments to specific uncertain income tax positions, as well as certain discrete income tax adjustments related primarily to an intra-entity transfer of intellectual property rights 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 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):

		<b>Three Months Ended</b>				Six Months Ended			
	J	Jul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021		Jul 30, 2022		Jul 31, 2021	
Reported GAAP net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc.	\$	23,962	\$	61,062	\$	31,932	\$	73,068	
Certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs <sup>1</sup>		1,260		109		5,677		1,187	
Asset impairment charges <sup>2</sup>		1,919		1,501		3,463		1,942	
Net gains on lease modifications <sup>3</sup>		(907)		(420)		(1,508)		(2,565)	
Amortization of debt discount <sup>4</sup>		_		2,781		_		5,562	
Discrete income tax adjustments <sup>5</sup>		(2,772)		81		416		228	
Income tax impact from adjustments <sup>6</sup>		(589)		(1,036)		(1,870)		(1,471)	
Total adjustments affecting net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc.		(1,089)		3,016		6,178		4,883	
Adjusted net earnings attributable to Guess?, Inc.	\$	22,873	\$	64,078	\$	38,110	\$	77,951	
Net earnings per common share attributable to common stockholders	s:								
GAAP diluted $^7$	\$	0.35	\$	0.91	\$	0.46	\$	1.10	
Adjusted diluted <sup>7</sup>	\$	0.39	\$	0.96	\$	0.62	\$	1.17	
Weighted average common shares outstanding attributable to commo	on st	ockholders:							
GAAP diluted <sup>7</sup>		70,299		66,074		72,443		65,933	
Adjusted diluted <sup>7</sup>		58,482		66,074		60,626		65,933	

#### Notes:

- 1 Amounts recorded 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 Amounts represent asset impairment charges related primarily to impairment of property and equipment and operating lease right-of-use assets related to certain retail locations resulting from under-performance and expected store closures.
- Amounts recorded represent net gains on lease modifications related primarily to the early termination of certain lease agreements.
- In April 2019, we issued \$300 million principal amount of the Notes in a private offering. Prior to adoption of ASU 2020-06, we separated the Notes into liability (debt) and equity (conversion option) components. The debt discount, which represented an amount equal to the fair value of the equity component, was amortized as non-cash interest expense over the term of the Notes. We adopted ASU 2020-06 under the modified retrospective method as of January 30, 2022. Upon adoption, the equity component was eliminated in the current period and recorded as an adjustment to retained earnings. Prior periods are not affected.
- <sup>5</sup> Amounts represent discrete income taxes related primarily to the adjustments from an intra-entity transfer of intellectual property rights to a wholly-owned Swiss subsidiary, impacts from cumulative valuation allowances and the income tax benefits from an income tax rate change due to net operating loss carrybacks.
- The income tax effect of certain professional service and legal fees and related (credits) costs, asset impairment charges, net gains on lease modifications and the amortization of debt discount was based on the 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
- Prior to adoption of ASU 2020-06, Debt—Debt with Conversion and Other Options (Subtopic 470-20) and Derivatives and Hedging Contracts in Entity's Own Equity (Subtopic 815-40), for GAAP purposes, we incurred dilution above the initial strike price of our Notes of \$25.78. At July 31, 2021, there was no dilution related to the Notes for the period.
  - We adopted ASU 2020-06 under the modified retrospective method as of January 30, 2022. Upon adoption, we prospectively utilize the if-converted method to calculate GAAP diluted EPS. For GAAP purposes, we incur dilution of our Notes based on the initial conversion rate associated with the Notes. For the three and six months ended July 30, 2022, shares used in computing diluted EPS increased by 11.8 million shares due to the change from the treasury stock method to the if-converted method. Diluted net income per share for the three and six months ended July 30, 2022 is calculated based on GAAP net income and diluted weighted-average shares of 70.3 million and 72.4 million, respectively, which also includes the potentially dilutive effect of our stock options, restricted stock units and the Notes.

For adjusted diluted shares, we exclude the dilutive impact of the Notes at stock prices below \$46.88, based on the bond hedge contracts in place that will deliver shares to offset dilution. At stock prices in excess of \$46.88, we would have an obligation to deliver additional shares in excess of the dilution protection provided by the bond hedges.

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 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. The constant currency information presented may not be comparable to similarly titled measures reported by other companies.

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 exclude 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.

## **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

We use our liquidity globally primarily to fund our working capital, occupancy costs, interest 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. 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. 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 to fund share repurchases and payment of dividends to our stockholders.

During the six months ended July 30, 2022, 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, and share repurchases and dividend payments to stockholders, primarily with cash flow from operations and existing cash balances as supplemented by borrowings under our existing credit facilities and proceeds from our term loans, as needed. If we experience a sustained decrease in consumer demand related to the COVID-19 pandemic or to economic, political or other conditions or events, we may require access to additional credit, which may not be available to us on commercially acceptable terms or at all. (Such arrangements are described further in "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements – Note 9 – Borrowings and Finance Lease Obligations" in the Form 10-Q.)

Due to the seasonality of our business and cash needs, we may increase borrowings under our established credit facilities from time-to-time during the next 12 months and beyond. 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. Refer to "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements – Note 9 - Borrowings and Finance Lease Obligations" for further information.

We expect to settle the principal amount of our outstanding Notes in 2024 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 July 30, 2022, 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 \$25.39) 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 indenture governing the Notes, we have adjusted the conversion rate and the conversion price of the Notes for quarterly dividends exceeding \$0.1125 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. 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 July 30, 2022, we determined that approximately \$18.3 million of such foreign earnings are no longer 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 the our foreign subsidiaries for which a deferred income tax liability has not already been recorded. It is not practicable to estimate the amount of income tax that might be payable if these earnings were repatriated due to the complexities associated with the hypothetical calculation.

As of July 30, 2022, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$174.4 million, of which approximately \$27.9 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. Please refer to "Forward-Looking Statements" discussed above and "Part I, Item 1A. Risk Factors" contained in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 29, 2022 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.

## **COVID-19 Impact on Liquidity**

Refer to the "COVID-19 Business Update" section and in "Part 1, Item 1. Financial Statements - Note 1 - Basis of Presentation" for a discussion of the impact from the COVID-19 pandemic on our financial performance and our liquidity.

In light of store closures and reduced traffic in stores, we have taken certain actions with respect to certain of our existing leases, including engaging with landlords to discuss rent deferrals as well as other rent concessions. We suspended rental payments and/or paid reduced rental amounts with respect to certain of our retail stores that were closed or experiencing drastically reduced customer traffic as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. We also have successfully negotiated with several landlords, including some of our larger landlords and received rent abatement benefits as well as new lease terms for some of our affected leases. In some instances, where negotiations with landlords proved unsuccessful, we were engaged in litigation related to rent obligations both during the COVID-19 pandemic and through the term of the lease.

## Six Months Ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021

## **Operating Activities**

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$1.5 million for the six months ended July 30, 2022, compared to \$43.0 million for the same prior-year period, or a deterioration of \$41.5 million. This deterioration was driven primarily by lower cash flows generated from net earnings and unfavorable changes in working capital, partially offset by a favorable impact from net income adjusted for noncash items. The unfavorable changes in working capital were due primarily to higher inventory levels as we placed orders earlier in order to mitigate some of the supply chain disruptions.

#### **Investing Activities**

Net cash used in investing activities was \$51.2 million for the six months ended July 30, 2022, compared to \$20.8 million for the same prior-year period. Net cash used in investing activities for the six months ended July 30, 2022 related primarily to investments in existing store remodeling programs and retail expansion and, to a lesser extent, technology and other infrastructure.

The increase in cash used in investing activities was driven primarily by higher retail remodel and expansion costs and higher investments in technology and other infrastructure during the six months ended July 30, 2022 compared to the same prior-year period. During the six months ended July 30, 2022, we opened 36 directly-operated stores compared to 33 directly-operated stores that were opened in the same prior-year period.

#### Financing Activities

Net cash used in financing activities was \$181.1 million for the six months ended July 30, 2022, compared to \$26.6 million for the same prior-year period. Net cash used in financing activities for the six months ended July 30, 2022 related primarily to our entrance into the 2022 ASR Contract to repurchase an aggregate of \$175.0 million of our common stock, repayments on borrowings and finance lease obligations and payment of dividends, partially offset by proceeds from borrowings.

## Effect of Exchange Rates on Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash

During the six months ended July 30, 2022, changes in foreign currency translation rates decreased our reported cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash balance by \$10.3 million compared to a decrease of \$5.7 million during the same prior-year period. Refer to "Foreign Currency Volatility" for further information on fluctuations in exchange rates.

#### **Working Capital**

As of July 30, 2022, we had net working capital (including cash and cash equivalents) of \$338.7 million compared to \$466.2 million at January 29, 2022 and \$548.7 million at July 31, 2021.

Our primary working capital needs are for the current portion of lease liabilities, accounts receivable and inventory. 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 increased by \$1.7 million, or 0.6%, to \$301.7 million as of July 30, 2022, from \$299.9 million at July 31, 2021. On a constant currency basis, accounts receivable increased by \$44.8 million, or 14.9%, when compared to July 31, 2021. As of July 30, 2022, approximately 52% of our total net trade receivables and 63% 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 \$105.2 million, or 24.5%, to \$535.5 million as of July 30, 2022, from \$430.3 million at July 31, 2021. On a constant currency basis, inventory increased by \$164.6 million, or 38.3%, when compared to July 31, 2021, driven primarily by management initiatives to mitigate supply chain disruptions, including accelerating product orders.

#### Capital Expenditures

Gross capital expenditures totaled \$51.2 million, before deducting lease incentives of \$0.8 million, for the six months ended July 30, 2022. This compares to gross capital expenditures of \$21.6 million, before deducting lease incentives of \$1.5 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.

#### **Dividends**

On August 24, 2022, we announced a regular quarterly cash dividend of \$0.225 per share on our common stock. The cash dividend will be paid on September 23, 2022 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on September 7, 2022. In accordance with the terms of the indenture 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 September 6, 2022.

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. On March 14, 2022, the Board of Directors expanded its repurchase authorization by \$100.0 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.

On March 18, 2022, pursuant to existing share repurchase authorizations, we entered into the 2022 ASR Contract with the 2022 ASR Counterparty to repurchase an aggregate of \$175.0 million of our common stock. Under the 2022 ASR Contract, we made a payment of \$175.0 million to the 2022 ASR Counterparty and received an initial delivery of approximately 3.3 million shares of common stock on March 21, 2022. We received a final settlement of an additional 5.2 million shares under the 2022 ASR Contract on June 24, 2022.

During the three and six months ended July 30, 2022, we repurchased 5,196,027 and 8,985,603 shares, respectively, of our common stock under our 2021 Share Repurchase Program at an aggregate cost of \$105.0 million and \$186.7 million, respectively, which is inclusive of the shares repurchased under the 2022 ASR Contract. As of July 30, 2022, we had remaining authority under the 2021 Share Repurchase Program to purchase \$62.3 million of our common stock. There were no shares repurchased under our 2012 Share Repurchase Program during the three and six months ended July 31, 2021.

#### Borrowings and Finance Lease Obligations and Convertible Senior Notes

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" in this Form 10-Q for disclosures about our borrowings and finance lease obligations and convertible senior notes.

#### **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 \$66.4 million and \$70.9 million as of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, 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 losses of \$0.2 million and \$3.5 million in other income and expense during the three and six months ended July 30, 2022, respectively, and unrealized gains of \$2.2 million in other income and expense during the three and six months ended July 31, 2021. The projected benefit obligation was \$49.3 million and \$49.4 million as of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, respectively, and was included in accrued expenses 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 and \$1.0 million were made during the three and six months ended July 30, 2022, respectively. SERP benefit payments of \$0.5 million and \$1.0 million were made during the three and six months ended July 31, 2021, respectively.

#### **Material Cash Requirements**

As of July 30, 2022, 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 Item Part II, Item 7 in our Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 29, 2022. 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 on these arrangements.

## **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 29, 2022 filed with the SEC on March 24, 2022. There have been no significant changes to our critical accounting policies other than the January 30, 2022 adoption of ASU 2020-06 which impacted the accounting and financial statement presentation of our Notes and our calculation of diluted earnings per common share. Refer to "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements – Note 3 - Earnings per Share" and "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements – Note 10 -Convertible Senior Notes and Related Transactions" for further information.

#### **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 six months ended July 30, 2022 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 29, 2022.

### Foreign Currency Translation Adjustment

The local selling currency is typically the functional currency for all of our significant international operations. In accordance with authoritative guidance, assets and liabilities of our foreign operations are translated from foreign currencies into U.S. dollars at periodend rates, while income and expenses are translated at the weighted average exchange rates for the period. The related translation adjustments are reflected as a foreign currency translation adjustment in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) within stockholders' equity. In addition, we record foreign currency translation adjustments related to our noncontrolling interests within stockholders' equity. Accordingly, our reported other comprehensive income (loss) could be unfavorably impacted if the U.S. dollar strengthens, particularly against the British pound,

Canadian dollar, Chinese yuan, euro, Japanese yen, Korean won, Mexican peso, Polish zloty, Russian rouble and Turkish lira. Alternatively, if the U.S. dollar weakens relative to those currencies, our reported other comprehensive income (loss) could be favorably impacted. Our foreign currency translation adjustments recorded in other comprehensive income (loss) are significantly impacted by net assets denominated in euros.

Periodically, we may also use foreign exchange currency contracts to hedge the translation and economic exposures related to our net investments in certain of our international subsidiaries. Changes in the fair values of these foreign exchange currency 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.

During the six months ended July 30, 2022, the total foreign currency translation adjustment decreased stockholders' equity by \$28.8 million, driven primarily by the strengthening of the U.S. dollar against the euro.

## 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 foreign currency transaction losses of \$20.3 million and \$8.2 million were included in the determination of net earnings for the six months ended July 30, 2022 and July 31, 2021, respectively.

## Foreign Exchange Currency Contracts

We operate in foreign countries, which exposes us to market risk associated with foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations. 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, 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. We are also subject to certain translation and economic exposures related to our net investment in certain of our international subsidiaries. We enter into derivative financial instruments to offset some, but not all, of our exchange risk. In addition, some of the derivative contracts in place will create volatility during the fiscal year as they are marked-to-market according to the accounting rules and may result in revaluation gains or losses in different periods from when the currency impact on the underlying transactions are realized.

## Foreign Exchange Currency Contracts Designated as Cash Flow Hedges

During the six months ended July 30, 2022, we purchased U.S. dollar forward contracts in Europe totaling US\$198.0 million that were designated as cash flow hedges. As of July 30, 2022, we had forward contracts outstanding for our European operations of US\$249.0 million to hedge forecasted merchandise purchases, which are expected to mature over the next 17 months. Our foreign exchange currency contracts are recorded in our condensed consolidated balance sheet at fair value based on quoted market rates. Changes in the fair value of the U.S. dollar forward contracts, designated as cash flow hedges for forecasted merchandise purchases, 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.

As of July 30, 2022, accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) related to foreign exchange currency contracts included a \$13.8 million net unrealized gain, net of tax, of which \$11.6 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.

As of July 30, 2022, the net unrealized gain of the remaining open forward contracts recorded in our condensed consolidated balance sheet was approximately \$9.1 million.

At January 29, 2022, we had forward contracts outstanding for our European operations of US\$146.0 million that were designated as cash flow hedges. At January 29, 2022, the net unrealized gain of these open forward contracts recorded in our condensed consolidated balance sheet was approximately \$6.0 million.

Foreign Exchange Currency Contracts Not Designated as Hedging Instruments

We also have 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). For the six months ended July 30, 2022, we recorded a net gain of \$3.1 million for our euro dollar foreign exchange currency contracts not designated as hedges, which has been included in other income (expense). As of July 30, 2022, we had euro foreign exchange currency contracts to purchase US\$47.5 million expected to mature over the next 15 months. As of July 30, 2022, the net unrealized gain of these open forward contracts recorded in our condensed consolidated balance sheet was approximately \$3.2 million.

At January 29, 2022, we had euro foreign exchange currency contracts to purchase US\$19.0 million. At January 29, 2022, the net unrealized gain of these open forward contracts recorded in our condensed consolidated balance sheet was approximately \$1.1 million.

#### Sensitivity Analysis

As of July 30, 2022, 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\$296.5 million, the fair value of the instruments would have decreased by \$32.9 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 \$27.0 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 2019, we issued \$300 million principal amount of the Notes in a private offering. The fair value of the Notes is subject to interest rate risk, market risk and other factors due to a 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 discount of debt issuance costs on our balance sheet and we present the fair value for disclosure purposes only.

Interest Rate Swap Agreement Designated as Cash Flow Hedge

The fair value of the interest rate swap agreement is based upon inputs corroborated by observable market data. Changes in the fair value of the interest rate swap agreement, designated as a cash flow hedge to hedge the variability of cash flows in interest payments associated with our floating-rate real estate secured loan (the "Mortgage Debt"), 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.

As of July 30, 2022, accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) related to the interest rate swap agreement included a net unrealized gain of \$0.4 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. As of July 30, 2022, the net unrealized gain of the interest rate swap recorded in our condensed consolidated balance sheet was approximately \$0.6 million. As of January 29, 2022, the net unrealized loss of the interest rate swap recorded in our condensed consolidated balance sheet was approximately \$0.1 million.

#### Sensitivity Analysis

As of July 30, 2022, we had indebtedness related to term loans of \$36.4 million, finance lease obligations of \$21.7 million and the Mortgage Debt of \$17.5 million. The term loans provide for annual interest rates ranging between 1.3% to 2.2%. The finance lease obligations are based on fixed interest rates derived from the respective agreements. The Mortgage Debt is covered by a separate interest rate swap agreement with a swap fixed interest rate of approximately 3.06% that matures in January 2026. The interest rate swap agreement is designated as a cash flow hedge and converts the nature of our Mortgage Debt from LIBOR 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 July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022, 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 our 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 second quarter of fiscal 2023 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 factor 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 29, 2022 filed with the SEC on March 24, 2022.

# Our business may also be affected by existing or future sanctions and export controls targeting Russia and other responses to Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

As a result of Russia's invasion of Ukraine, the United States, the United Kingdom and the European Union, among others, have developed coordinated sanctions and export control measures targeting Russia, Belarus, and the Russian-controlled 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 accounting, trust formation and management consulting services; (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 are currently operating in Russia through 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, a majority-owned Russian subsidiary in which we had a 70% interest as of July 30, 2022 and January 29, 2022. Guess CIS currently operates 43 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. The local distributor through which we operate in Ukraine does not operate in the Russian-controlled Crimea, Donetsk, or Luhansk regions of Ukraine.

Our operations in Russia, Belarus, and Ukraine represented less than 3% of the Company's total revenue for the year ended January 29, 2022 and for the six months ended July 30, 2022, with our operations in Russia comprising over 90% of this total revenue. As of July 30, 2022, 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.

The imposition of the current or possible future additional export controls and economic sanctions on transactions with Russia and Russian entities could limit or prevent us from (i) operating all or a portion of our business in Russia, (ii) performing under existing contracts involving our Russia business (including with respect to our Russian joint venture and the potential purchase by us of the remaining 30% interest held by our joint venture partner) or (iii) pursuing new business opportunities or maintaining adequate insurance coverage to protect our products and facilities in Russia. Additionally, the conflict in Ukraine could disrupt the

operations of our distributor in that region and surrounding regions. Any of the foregoing could adversely affect our business, supply chain, partners or customers. In addition, the conflict between Russia and Ukraine could lead to disruption, instability and volatility in global markets and industries that could negatively impact our operations. The scope of the impact of sanctions, export controls and the ongoing conflict in Ukraine is impossible to predict at this time, and could have an adverse impact on our business.

# Future changes to U.S. income tax or trade policies impacting multi-national companies could materially affect our financial condition and results of operations.

A significant portion of our product sales are generated outside of the U.S. In fiscal 2022, approximately 71% of our consolidated net product sales was generated by sales from outside of the U.S. In the long-term, we anticipate these international revenues will continue to grow as a percentage of our total business. The current political landscape has introduced greater uncertainty with respect to future income tax and trade regulations for U.S. companies with significant business and sourcing operations outside the U.S.

During fiscal 2022, we sourced most of our finished products with partners and suppliers outside the U.S. and we continued to design and purchase fabrics globally, with most coming from China. The ongoing economic conflict between the U.S. and China has resulted in increased tariffs being imposed on goods we import from China. We have been reducing our dependency on China sourcing, particularly for our U.S. business, and mitigating potential tariffs' risks without compromising the quality of our products, while improving costs. However, we cannot predict whether, and to what extent, there may be changes to international trade agreements, such as those with China, or whether quotas, duties, tariffs, exchange controls or other restrictions will be changed or imposed by the U.S. or by other countries. If we or our vendors or product licensees are unable to obtain raw materials or finished goods from the countries where we or they wish to purchase them, either because of such regulatory changes or for any other reason, or if the cost of doing so should increase, it could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

As a result of Russia's invasion of Ukraine, the United States, the United Kingdom and the European Union, among others, have developed coordinated sanctions and export control measures targeting Russia, Belarus, and the Russian-controlled regions of Ukraine (Crimea, Donetsk, and Luhansk). While these sanctions and export control measures have not significantly disrupted our sales in these regions, if the disruptions continue over a prolonged period, or if additional export controls or economic sanctions on transactions with Russia and Russian entities are imposed in the future our sales in these regions and our results of operations could be adversely impacted. For further information regarding the risks we face relating to Russia's invasion of Ukraine, refer to "-Our business may also be affected by new sanctions and export controls targeting Russia and other responses to Russia's invasion of Ukraine."

## 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 second quarter of fiscal 2023 were as follows:

<u>Period</u>	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	ľ	Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
May 1, 2022 to May 28, 2022					
Repurchase program <sup>1</sup>	_	_	_	\$	62,267,634
Employee transactions <sup>2</sup>	229	\$ 20.61	_		
May 29, 2022 to July 2, 2022					
Repurchase program <sup>1</sup>	5,196,027	\$ 20.21	5,196,027	\$	62,267,634
Employee transactions <sup>2</sup>	204	\$ 18.34	_		
July 3, 2022 to July 30, 2022					
Repurchase program <sup>1</sup>	_	_	_	\$	62,267,634
Employee transactions <sup>2</sup>	<u> </u>	 <u> </u>			
Total					
Repurchase program <sup>1</sup>	5,196,027	\$ 20.21	5,196,027		
Employee transactions <sup>2</sup>	433	\$ 19.54	_		

## Notes:

On March 18, 2022, pursuant to existing stock repurchase authorizations, we 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 our common stock. Under the terms of the 2022 ASR Contract, we made a payment of \$175.0 million and received an initial delivery of 3.3 million shares on March 21, 2022, representing approximately 40% (\$70 million) of the total shares expected to be repurchased under the 2022 ASR Contract. The Company received a final settlement of an additional 5.2 million shares under the ASR on June 24, 2022, which is included in the number of shares purchased and average purchase price paid per share. Refer to "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements – Note 4 – Stockholders' Equity" for further information.

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.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

# ITEM 6. Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description
<u>3.1.</u>	Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant (incorporated by reference from Amendment No. 3 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Registration No. 333-4419) filed July 30, 1996).
<u>3.2.</u>	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).
<u>3.3.</u>	Fourth Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant (incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 30, 2021).
*† <u>10.1</u> .	2004 Equity Incentive Plan (amended and restated as of March 26, 2022).
*† <u>10.2</u> .	Form of Non-Employee Director Restricted Stock Agreement Under the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan.
*† <u>10.3.</u>	Form of Non-Employee Director Restricted Stock Unit Agreement Under the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan.
† <u>31.1.</u>	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
† <u>31.2.</u>	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
†† <u>32.1.</u>	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
†† <u>32.2.</u>	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
†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
†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: September 2, 2022 By: /s/ CARLOS ALBERINI

Carlos Alberini

Chief Executive Officer

Date: September 2, 2022 By: /s/ DENNIS SECOR

Dennis Secor

Interim Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

## GUESS?, INC. 2004 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN (Amended and Restated as of March 26, 2022)

- 1. *Purpose*. The purposes of the Guess?, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (the "*Plan*") are to attract, retain and motivate officers and other key employees, directors and consultants of Guess?, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "*Company*"), and its Subsidiaries (as hereinafter defined), to compensate them for their contributions to the growth and profits of the Company and to encourage ownership by them of stock of the Company.
  - 2. *Definitions*. For purposes of the Plan, the following terms shall be defined as follows:
- "Affiliate" and "Associate" have the respective meanings ascribed to such terms in Rule 12b-2 promulgated under the Exchange Act.
- "Award" means an award made pursuant to the terms of the Plan to an Eligible Individual (as hereinafter defined) in the form of Stock Options, Restricted Stock Awards, Stock Units, Performance Share Awards, Performance Units, Stock Appreciation Rights, or Dividend Equivalent Rights.
- "Award Agreement" means a written or electronic award agreement or notice evidencing the terms of an Award in a form approved by the Committee and, in each case and if and to the extent required by the Committee, which is executed or otherwise electronically accepted by the Participant and by an officer on behalf of the Company in such form and manner as the Committee may require, and containing such terms and conditions as the Committee deems appropriate and that are not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan.
  - "Beneficial Owner" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Rule 13d-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act.
  - "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.
  - "Change in Control" of the Company shall be deemed to have occurred when:
- (A) any Person (other than (x) the Company, any Subsidiary of the Company, any employee benefit plan of the Company or of any Subsidiary of the Company, or any person or entity organized, appointed or established by the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company for or pursuant to the terms of any such plan or (y) Maurice Marciano or Paul Marciano, the members of their families, their respective estates, spouses, heirs and any trust of which any one or more of the foregoing are the trustors, the trustees and/or the beneficiaries, or any other entity controlled by one or more of them (collectively, such persons, estates, trusts, and entities referred to in this clause (y) the "*Permitted Holders*")), alone or together with its Affiliates and Associates (collectively, an "*Acquiring Person*") shall become the Beneficial Owner of both (i) thirty-five percent (35%) or more of the then outstanding shares of Common Stock or the Combined Voting Power of the Company (except pursuant to an offer for all outstanding shares

of Common Stock at a price and upon such terms and conditions as a majority of the Continuing Directors determine to be in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders (other than an Acquiring Person on whose behalf the offer is being made)) and (ii) more shares of Common Stock or more Combined Voting Power of the Company than are at such time Beneficially Owned by the Permitted Holders;

- (B) during any period of two consecutive years, individuals who at the beginning of such period constitute the Board, and any new director (other than a director who is a representative or nominee of an Acquiring Person) whose election by the Board or nomination for election by the Company's shareholders was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the directors then still in office who either were directors at the beginning of the period or whose election or nomination for election was previously so approved (collectively, the "Continuing Directors") cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the Board;
- (C) there is a merger or consolidation of the Company with any other corporation, other than a merger or consolidation which would result in the voting securities of the Company outstanding immediately prior thereto continuing to represent (either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of the Surviving Entity (as defined in Section 17 hereof) or any Parent of such Surviving Entity) more than 50% of the Combined Voting Power of the Company, such Surviving Entity or the Parent of such Surviving Entity outstanding immediately after such merger or consolidation; or
- (D) there is a complete liquidation or dissolution of the Company or all or substantially all of the Company's assets are sold;

provided, however, that a Change in Control shall not be deemed to have occurred in the event of (x) a sale or conveyance in which the Company continues as a holding company of an entity or entities that conduct all or substantially all of the business or businesses formerly conducted by the Company or (y) any transaction undertaken for the purpose of incorporating the Company under the laws of another jurisdiction, if such transaction does not materially affect the beneficial ownership of the Company's capital stock. The foregoing definition of "Change in Control" shall be effective as to Awards granted on or after May 19, 2017. "Change in Control" for purposes of Awards granted prior to May 19, 2017, as well as any employment agreement entered into by the Company prior to May 19, 2017 that uses the term "Change in Control" as defined in the Plan, shall have the meaning given to such term in the Plan as in effect immediately prior to that date.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the applicable rulings and regulations thereunder.

"Combined Voting Power" means the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding voting securities.

"Committee" means the Compensation Committee of the Board, any successor committee thereto or any other committee appointed by the Board (or a subcommittee appointed by another committee acting within its delegated authority) to administer the Plan; provided that, as to Section 13 and any Award granted to an individual who, at the time of grant of the Award, is a

Non-Employee Director, the Committee shall mean the Board. The Committee shall consist of at least two directors or such number of directors as may be required under applicable law and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. The Board or another committee (within its delegated authority) may delegate different levels of authority to different committees or persons with administrative and grant authority under this Plan, and the Board may also take any action within the authority of such a Committee. "Committee" shall also mean the Board, if and to the extent the Board assumes administration of the Plan.

"Common Stock" means the Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share, of the Company and such other securities or property as may become the subject of Awards under this Plan, or may become subject to such Awards, pursuant to an adjustment made under Section 16(b) of the Plan.

"Disability" means, with respect to any Participant and unless otherwise provided by the Committee in the applicable Award Agreement, (i) a "total and permanent disability" within the meaning of Section 22(e)(3) of the Code with respect to Incentive Stock Options and, (ii) with respect to Awards other than Incentive Stock Options, that as a result of incapacity due to physical or mental illness, such Participant is, or is reasonably likely to become, unable to perform his or her duties for more than six (6) consecutive months or six (6) months in the aggregate during any twelve (12) month period.

"*Eligibility Date*" means each annual meeting of the Company's shareholders at which one or more individuals are to be elected to the Board, commencing with the annual meeting of the Company's shareholders in calendar year 2022.

"Eliqible Individuals" means the individuals described in Section 7 who are eligible for Awards under the Plan.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the applicable rules and regulations thereunder.

"Fair Market Value" means, on any given date, the closing price of the shares of Common Stock, as reported on the New York Stock Exchange for such date or, if Common Stock was not traded on such date, on the next preceding day on which Common Stock was traded; provided that if the Common Stock is not then traded on the New York Stock Exchange, Fair Market Value means the fair market value thereof as of the relevant date of determination as determined in accordance with a valuation methodology approved by the Committee.

"Full-Value Award" means any Award under this Plan that is not a Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right.

"*Incentive Stock Option*" means a Stock Option which is an "incentive stock option" within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code and designated by the Committee as an Incentive Stock Option in an Award Agreement.

"Non-Employee Director" means a member of the Board who is not employed by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

- "Nonqualified Stock Option" means a Stock Option which is not an Incentive Stock Option.
- "Parent" means any corporation which is a "parent corporation" within the meaning of Section 424(e) of the Code with respect to the relevant entity.
  - "Participant" means an Eligible Individual to whom an Award has been granted under the Plan.
- "*Performance Share Award*" means a conditional Award of shares of Common Stock granted to an Eligible Individual pursuant to Section 11 hereof.
- "*Performance Unit*" means a conditional Award to receive all or some portion of the appreciation on shares of Common Stock granted to an Eligible Individual pursuant to Section 12 hereof.
- "Person" means any person, entity or "group" within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) or Section 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act.
- "Restricted Stock Award" means an Award of shares of Common Stock granted to an Eligible Individual pursuant to Section 9 hereof.
- "Restricted Stock Unit" means a Stock Unit subject to such conditions on vesting and payout as the Committee may determine.
- "*Retirement*" means retirement from active employment with the Company and its Subsidiaries on or after the attainment of age 55, or such other retirement date as may be approved by the Committee for purposes of the Plan and specified in the applicable Award Agreement.
  - "Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the applicable rules and regulations thereunder.
- "Stock Appreciation Right" means an Award to receive all or some portion of the appreciation on shares of Common Stock granted to an Eligible Individual pursuant to Section 10 hereof.
- "Stock Option" means an Award to purchase shares of Common Stock granted to an Eligible Individual pursuant to Section 8 hereof.
- "Stock Unit" means a bookkeeping entry that serves as a unit of measurement relative to a share of Common Stock for purposes of determining the payment of the Stock Unit grant.
- "Subsidiary" means (i) with respect to an Incentive Stock Option, any corporation which is a "subsidiary corporation" within the meaning of Section 424(f) of the Code with respect to the Company or (ii) any other corporation or other entity in which the Company, directly or

indirectly, has an equity or similar interest and which the Committee designates as a Subsidiary for the purposes of the Plan.

"Ten Percent Shareholder" means an Eligible Individual who, at the time an Incentive Stock Option is to be granted to him or her, owns (within the meaning of Section 422(b)(6) of the Code) stock possessing more than ten percent (10%) of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company, or of a Parent or a Subsidiary.

"2022 Annual Meeting Date" means the date that shareholders approve the 2022 amendment and restatement of the Plan.

#### 3. Administration of the Plan.

- (a) The Plan shall be administered by the Committee. Award grants, and transactions in or involving Awards, intended to be exempt under Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act, should be duly and timely authorized by the Board or a committee consisting solely of two or more directors each of whom the Board has determined is a non-employee director (as this requirement is applied under Rule 16b-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act). To the extent required by any applicable listing agency, this Plan shall be administered by a committee composed entirely of directors each of whom the Board has determined is an independent director (within the meaning of the applicable listing agency). However, the failure to satisfy any requirement set forth in the preceding two sentences shall not affect the validity of any action of any committee otherwise duly authorized and acting in the matter.
- (b) The Committee shall have full power and authority, subject to the express provisions hereof (including the no repricing provision below), to do all things necessary or desirable in connection with the authorization of awards and the administration of this Plan, including, without limitation, the authority (i) to determine eligibility and select Participants from the Eligible Individuals, (ii) to determine the type and form of Awards to be granted and to grant Awards in accordance with the Plan, (iii) to determine the number of Shares subject to each Award or the cash amount payable in connection with an Award, (iv) to determine the price (if any) at which securities will be offered or awarded (in the case of securities-based awards) and to determine the form in which such price may be paid (which may include any form of consideration permitted by applicable law including, without limitation, services rendered), (v) to determine the terms and conditions of each Award, including, without limitation, those related to any vesting, forfeiture, payment or exercisability provisions, and including the authority to grant an Award that is fully-vested at grant, (vi) to amend the terms and conditions of an Award, waive any right of the Company with respect to an Award, accelerate, waive or extend the vesting or exercisability, or modify or extend the term of, any or all outstanding Awards (in the case of Stock Options and Stock Appreciation Rights, within the maximum term of such awards) in such circumstances as the Committee may deem appropriate (including, without limitation, in connection with a retirement or other termination of employment or services), subject to any required Participant consent under Section 18, (vii) to specify and approve the form and provisions of the Award

Agreements delivered to Participants in connection with their Awards, (viii) to determine whether, and the extent to which, adjustments are required pursuant to Section 16 and to take any actions it may determine to be advisable pursuant to Section 17, (ix) to acquire or settle rights under Awards (subject to the no repricing provision below); (x) to construe and interpret any Award Agreement delivered under the Plan, (xi) to prescribe, amend and rescind rules and procedures relating to the Plan, (xii) to vary the terms of Awards to take account of tax, securities law and other regulatory requirements of foreign jurisdictions or any other factors or circumstances that the Committee may determine to be appropriate and (xiii) to make all other determinations and to formulate such procedures as may be necessary or advisable for the administration of the Plan.

- (c) The Committee shall have full power and authority, subject to the express provisions hereof, to construe and interpret the Plan.
- (d) Any action taken by, or inaction of, the Company, any Subsidiary, or the Committee relating or pursuant to this Plan and within its authority hereunder or under applicable law shall be within the absolute discretion of that entity or body and shall be conclusive and binding upon all persons. Neither the Board nor any Board committee, nor any member thereof or person acting at the direction thereof, shall be liable for any act, omission, interpretation, construction or determination made in good faith in connection with this Plan (or any Award made under this Plan), and all such persons shall be entitled to indemnification and reimbursement by the Company in respect of any claim, loss, damage or expense (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees) arising or resulting therefrom to the fullest extent permitted by law and/or under any directors and officers liability insurance coverage that may be in effect from time to time. In making any determination or in taking or not taking any action under this Plan, the Board or a Committee, as the case may be, may obtain and may rely upon the advice of experts, including employees and professional advisors to the Company. No director, officer or agent of the Company shall be liable for any such action or determination taken or made or omitted in good faith. The Committee may delegate ministerial, non-discretionary functions to individuals who are officers or employees of the Company or to third parties.
- (e) Notwithstanding the foregoing and except for an adjustment pursuant to Section 16 or a repricing approved by shareholders, in no case may the Committee (1) amend an outstanding Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right to reduce the exercise price or base price of the Award, (2) cancel, exchange, or surrender an outstanding Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right in exchange for cash or other awards for the purpose of repricing the Award, or (3) cancel, exchange, or surrender an outstanding Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right in exchange for a Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right with an exercise or base price that is less than the exercise or base price of the original Award.
- 4. *Duration of Plan*. The Plan shall remain in effect until terminated by the Board and thereafter until all Awards granted under the Plan are satisfied by the issuance of shares of Common Stock or the payment of cash or are terminated or expire under the terms of the Plan or under the Award Agreement entered into in connection with the grant thereof. Notwithstanding

the foregoing, no Awards may be granted under the Plan after the tenth anniversary of the Effective Date (as defined in Section 19(m)). After the termination of this Plan either upon such stated expiration date or its earlier termination by the Board, no additional Awards may be granted under this Plan, but previously granted Awards (and the authority of the Committee with respect thereto, including the authority to amend such Awards) shall remain outstanding in accordance with their applicable terms and conditions and the terms and conditions of this Plan.

- 5. Shares of Stock Subject to the Plan.
  - (a) The number of shares of Common Stock that may be issued under the Plan pursuant to Awards shall not exceed, in the aggregate, 29,780,000 shares (the "Share Limit"). Such shares may be either authorized but unissued shares, treasury shares or any combination thereof.
  - (b) Except as provided below in this Section 5(b), Shares issued under the Plan in respect of any Full-Value Award granted under the Plan on or after May 1, 2017 shall be counted against the foregoing Share Limit as 3.54 shares for every one share issued in connection with such Award. Shares issued under the Plan in respect of any Full-Value Award granted under the Plan on or after the 2022 Annual Meeting Date, as well as any shares issued under the Plan in excess of the "target" number of shares subject to a Full-Value Award granted under the Plan prior to the 2022 Annual Meeting Date as to which there was a performance-based vesting requirement and such shares are issued under the Plan on or after the 2022 Annual Meeting Date as a result of performance in excess of the applicable "target" level for a performance period ending on or after the 2022 Annual Meeting Date, shall be counted against the foregoing Share Limit as 1.60 shares for every one share issued in connection with such Award.
  - (c) To the extent that an Award is settled in cash or a form other than shares of Common Stock, the shares that would have been delivered had there been no such cash or other settlement shall not be counted against the Share Limit and shall again be available for subsequent Awards under this Plan.
  - (d) Except as provided in the next sentence, shares that are subject to or underlie Awards granted under this Plan which expire or for any reason are cancelled or terminated, are forfeited, fail to vest, or for any other reason are not paid or delivered under this Plan shall not count against the Share Limit and shall again be available for subsequent Awards under this Plan. Shares that are exchanged by a Participant or withheld by the Company as full or partial payment in connection with any Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right granted under this Plan, as well as any shares exchanged by a Participant or withheld by the Company or one of its Subsidiaries to satisfy the tax withholding obligations related to any Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right granted under this Plan, shall count against the Share Limit and shall not be available for subsequent Awards under this Plan. Shares of Common Stock that are exchanged by a Participant or withheld by the Company as full or partial payment in connection with any Full-Value Award granted under this Plan, as well as any shares exchanged by a Participant or withheld by the Company or one of its Subsidiaries to satisfy the tax

withholding obligations related to any Full-Value Award granted under this Plan, shall not count against the Share Limit and shall be available for subsequent Awards under this Plan.

- (e) In the event that shares of Common Stock are delivered in respect of a Dividend Equivalent Right granted under this Plan, the number of shares delivered with respect to the Award shall be counted against the Share Limit (applying, for any such issuance on or after May 1, 2017, the counting rule of Section 5(b)). (For purposes of clarity, if 1,000 Dividend Equivalent Rights are granted and outstanding when the Company pays a dividend, and 50 shares are delivered on or after 2022 Annual Meeting Date in payment of those rights with respect to that dividend, 80 shares shall be counted against the Share Limit.)
- (f) To the extent that shares of Common Stock are delivered pursuant to the exercise of a Stock Appreciation Right or Stock Option granted under this Plan, the number of underlying shares as to which the exercise related shall be counted against the Share Limit, as opposed to only counting the shares issued. (For purposes of clarity, if a Stock Appreciation Right relates to 100,000 shares, is to be settled in shares of Common Stock, and is exercised in full at a time when the payment due to the Participant is 15,000 shares, 100,000 shares shall be charged against the Share Limit with respect to such exercise.)
- (g) The Company may not increase the Share Limit by repurchasing shares of Common Stock on the market (by using cash received through the exercise of stock options or otherwise). The Share Limit, as well as the share limit in Section 6(a), is subject to adjustment as provided in Section 16(b).
- (h) As to shares subject to a Full-Value Award granted under this Plan on or after May 1, 2017 and before the 2022 Annual Meeting Date (i.e., any such shares that were initially counted against the Share Limit as 3.54 shares for every one share subject to the Award pursuant to Section 5(b)) that become available for subsequent Awards under this Plan pursuant to Section 5(c) or 5(d), such shares shall restore the Share Limit on an equivalent basis of 3.54 shares for every one share subject to the Award that becomes so available. As to shares subject to a Full-Value Award granted under this Plan on or after the 2022 Annual Meeting Date (i.e., any such shares that were initially counted against the Share Limit as 1.60 shares for every one share subject to the Award pursuant to Section 5(b)) that become available for subsequent Awards under this Plan pursuant to Section 5(c) or 5(d), such shares shall restore the Share Limit on an equivalent basis of 1.60 shares for every one share subject to the Award that becomes so available.
- (i) Unless otherwise provided by the Committee, no fractional shares shall be delivered under the Plan. The Committee may pay cash in lieu of any fractional shares in settlements of Awards under this Plan.

- 6. Additional Share Limits. The limits set forth in Sections 6(a) and 6(b) below shall apply with respect to Awards granted under this Plan. The limit set forth in Section 6(c) below shall apply to all cash compensation provided to a Non-Employee Director in his or her capacity as a member of the Board (under this Plan or otherwise).
  - (a) The maximum number of shares of Common Stock that may be delivered pursuant to options qualified as Incentive Stock Options granted under this Plan is 10,000,000 shares.
  - (b) The maximum number of shares of Common Stock subject to those Awards that are granted under this Plan during any one calendar year to an individual who, on the grant date of the Award, is a Non-Employee Director (whether the Award is payable in cash or shares of Common Stock) is the number of shares that produce a grant date fair value for the Award that, when combined with the grant date fair value of any other Awards granted under this Plan during that same calendar year to that individual in his or her capacity as a Non-Employee Director, is \$500,000. For purposes of this Section 6(b), "grant date fair value" means the value of the Award as of the date of grant of the Award and as determined using the equity award valuation principles applied in the Company's financial reporting. The limits of this Section 6(b) do not apply to, and shall be determined without taking into account, any Award granted to an individual who, on the grant date of the Award, is an officer or employee of the Company or one of its Subsidiaries. The limit set forth in this Section 6(b) applies on an individual basis and not on an aggregate basis to all Non-Employee Directors as a group.
  - (c) Commencing with fiscal year 2023, the aggregate cash compensation paid to a Non-Employee Director for service as a member of the Board during any one fiscal year of the Company (including, without limitation, Board retainers, retainers for service on committees of the Board, meeting fees, fees for service as a chair of the Board or a committee of the Board, and fees for service as a lead independent director) shall not exceed \$300,000. The limit set forth in the preceding sentence does not apply to, and shall be determined without taking into account, the following: (i) any compensation or benefits granted, provided, paid or payable for service to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries in any capacity other than as a member of the Board (such as, without limitation, as an officer, employee, or consultant), (ii) any Award subject to the limitation in Section 6(b), and (iii) the crediting of earnings or losses on deferred compensation. Furthermore, the limit set forth in this Section 6(c) applies on an individual basis and not on an aggregate basis to all Non-Employee Directors as a group.
- 7. *Eligible Individuals*. Awards may be granted by the Committee only to those persons who the Committee determines to be Eligible Individuals. An "*Eligible Individual*" is any person who is (a) an officer of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, (b) an employee of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, (c) a director of the Company or one of its Subsidiaries, or (d) an individual consultant or advisor who renders or has rendered bona fide services (other than services in connection with the offering or sale of securities of the Company or its Subsidiaries in a capital-raising transaction or as a market maker or promoter of the Company's or its Subsidiaries' securities) to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and who is selected to

participate in this Plan by the Committee; provided, however, that a person who is otherwise an Eligible Individual under clause (d) above may participate in this Plan only if such participation would not adversely affect either the Company's eligibility to use Form S-8 to register under the Securities Act the offering and sale of shares issuable under this Plan by the Company or its Subsidiaries or the Company's compliance with any other applicable laws. A Participant may, if otherwise eligible, be granted additional Awards if the Committee shall so determine. Awards may be granted singly, in combination or in tandem. Awards also may be made in combination or in tandem with, in replacement of, as alternatives to, or as the payment form for grants or rights under any other employee or compensation plan of the Company or its Subsidiaries.

- 8. *Stock Options*. Stock Options granted under the Plan may be in the form of Incentive Stock Options or Nonqualified Stock Options; *provided* that only employees may be granted Incentive Stock Options. Stock Options granted under the Plan shall be subject to the following terms and conditions and shall contain such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, as the Committee shall deem appropriate:
  - (a) *Award Agreement*. Stock Options shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement in such form and containing such terms and conditions as the Committee deems appropriate and which are not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, and shall indicate if the option is intended as an Incentive Stock Option.
  - (b) *Terms of Stock Options Generally*. Subject to the terms of the Plan and the applicable Award Agreement, each Stock Option shall entitle the Participant to whom such Stock Option was granted to purchase, upon payment of the relevant exercise price, the number of shares of Common Stock specified in the Award Agreement.
  - (c) *Exercise Price*. The exercise price per share of Common Stock purchasable under a Stock Option shall be determined by the Committee at the time of grant and set forth in the Award Agreement; *provided*, *however*, that the exercise price per share of a Stock Option shall not be less than one hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant (110% in the case of an Incentive Stock Option granted to a Ten Percent Shareholder), subject to adjustment as contemplated by Section 16(b).
  - (d) *Option Term*. The term of each Stock Option shall be fixed by the Committee and set forth in the Award Agreement; *provided*, *however*, that a Stock Option shall not be exercisable after the expiration of ten (10) years after the date the Stock Option is granted (five (5) years in the case of an Incentive Stock Option granted to a Ten Percent Shareholder).
  - (e) *Exercisability*. A Stock Option shall be exercisable at such time or times and subject to such terms and conditions as shall be determined by the Committee. In no case, unless otherwise provided by the Committee, may a Stock Option be exercised as to less than 100 shares at any one time (or the remaining shares covered by the Stock Option if less than 100) during the term of the Stock Option. The Committee may provide that Stock Options shall be exercisable in whole or in part based upon length of service or

attainment of specified performance criteria or such other conditions as the Committee may prescribe, or the Committee may provide that a Stock Option shall be vested and exercisable upon grant. The Committee, in its sole discretion, may provide for the acceleration of vesting of a Stock Option, in whole or in part, based on such factors or criteria (including specified performance criteria) as the Committee may determine.

- (f) *Method of Exercise*. The exercise provisions of this Section 8(f) apply to a Stock Option unless otherwise provided by the Committee in the applicable Award Agreement. A Stock Option may be exercised, in whole or in part, by giving written notice of exercise to the Secretary of the Company specifying the number of shares to be purchased, and containing any representations required by the Committee. Such notice shall be accompanied by payment in full of the exercise price either by cash, certified or bank check, or other instrument acceptable to the Committee. As determined by the Committee in its sole discretion, payment of the exercise price may also be made in full or in part by tendering to the Company shares of Common Stock (having a Fair Market Value as of the date of exercise of such Stock Option equal to the exercise price (or such portion thereof)). Common Stock used to pay the exercise price may be shares that are already owned by the Participant, or the Company may withhold shares of Common Stock that would otherwise have been received by the Participant upon exercise of the Stock Option. Unless and until otherwise provided by the Committee and in accordance with procedures established by the Company for this purpose from time to time, a Participant may exercise an Option through a "cashless exercise" procedure involving a third-party broker who provides financing for the purpose of (or otherwise facilitates) the exercise of Stock Options. For clarity, such an arrangement shall not be considered prohibited by Section 15. The manner in which the exercise price may be paid may be subject to certain conditions specified by the Committee, including, without limitation, conditions intended to avoid the imposition of liability against the individual under Section 16 of the Exchange Act and compliance with applicable law. If requested by the Committee, the Participant shall deliver the Award Agreement evidencing an exercised Stock Option to the Secretary of the Company, who shall endorse thereon a notation of such exercise and return such Award Agreement to the Participant exercising the Option.
- (g) *Rights as Shareholder.* A Participant shall have no rights as a shareholder with respect to any shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise of a Stock Option until shares of Common Stock (either in certificate or book entry form) shall have been issued to the Participant and, subject to Section 16(b), no adjustment shall be made for dividends or distributions or other rights in respect of any share for which the record date is prior to the date on which the Participant shall become the holder of record thereof.
- (h) *Special Rule for Incentive Stock Options*. With respect to Incentive Stock Options granted under the Plan, if the aggregate Fair Market Value (determined as of the date the Incentive Stock Option is granted) of the number of shares with respect to which Incentive Stock Options are exercisable for the first time by a Participant during any calendar year under all plans of the Company or a Parent or Subsidiary exceeds One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) or such other limit as may be required by the

Code, such Incentive Stock Options shall be treated, to the extent of such excess, as Nonqualified Stock Options.

- 9. *Restricted Stock Awards*. Restricted Stock Awards granted under the Plan shall be subject to the following terms and conditions and shall contain such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the Plan, as the Committee shall deem appropriate:
  - (a) Award Agreement. Restricted Stock Awards shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement in such form and containing such restrictions, terms and conditions as the Committee deems appropriate and which are not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, including, without limitation, any applicable restrictions on the sale, assignment, transfer or other disposition of such shares that the Committee may prescribe and any applicable conditions that the Committee may prescribe regarding the vesting and/or forfeiture of such shares. The Committee may determine that a Restricted Stock Award shall be fully vested at grant (including, without limitation in the form of a stock bonus).
  - (b) *Terms of Restricted Stock Awards Generally*. Restricted Stock Awards may be granted under the Plan in such form as the Committee may from time to time approve. Restricted Stock Awards may be granted for any lawful consideration approved and deemed appropriate by the Committee, including without limitation, services rendered by the Participant. Restricted Stock Awards may be granted alone or in addition to other Awards under the Plan. Subject to the terms of the Plan, the Committee shall determine the number of shares of Common Stock subject to each Restricted Stock Award granted to a Participant, and the Committee may impose different terms and conditions on any particular Restricted Stock Award granted to any Participant. Subject to the following sentence, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may provide for the lapse of any applicable restrictions in installments and may waive or accelerate such restrictions in whole or in part, based on such factors or criteria, including specified performance criteria, as the Committee may determine. Upon expiration of any applicable restriction period or lapse of any restrictions, the Participant shall be vested in the Restricted Stock Award, or applicable portion thereof.
  - (c) Evidence of Ownership. At the time of grant, the Company shall, in its discretion, issue to each Participant receiving a Restricted Stock Award either: (i) a certificate or certificates in respect of such shares of Common Stock or (ii) uncertificated shares in book entry form. In either case, such shares shall be registered in the name of such Participant, and shall bear an appropriate legend or notation, as applicable, referring to the terms, conditions and restrictions applicable to such Award. The Committee may require that, as a condition of any Restricted Stock Award: (x) the Participant shall have delivered a stock power, endorsed in blank, relating to the Common Stock covered by such Award and (y) shares evidencing such Restricted Stock Award (if in certificate form) be held in custody by the Company until the restrictions thereon have lapsed.
  - (d) *Rights as Shareholder*. Except as otherwise provided by the Committee in its sole discretion, a Participant shall have, with respect to the shares of Common Stock received under a Restricted Stock Award, all of the rights of a shareholder of the

Company, including the right to vote the shares and, subject to Section 9B, the right to receive any cash dividends. Stock dividends issued with respect to shares covered by a Restricted Stock Award shall be treated as additional shares under the Restricted Stock Award and shall be subject to the same restrictions and other terms and conditions that apply to the shares with respect to which such dividends are issued.

- 9A. *Stock Units*. Awards of Stock Units granted under the Plan shall be subject to the following terms and conditions and shall contain such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the Plan, as the Committee shall deem appropriate:
  - (a) *Terms and Conditions of Stock Units Generally; Award Agreement.* The Committee may, in its discretion, (1) authorize and grant to any Eligible Individual an Award of Stock Units, (2) credit to any Eligible Employee Stock Units, (3) permit an Eligible Employee to irrevocably elect to defer by means of Stock Units or receive in Stock Units all or a portion of any Award hereunder, or (4) grant Stock Units in lieu of, in exchange for, in respect of, or in addition to any other compensation or Award under this Plan. The specific terms, conditions, and provisions relating to each Stock Unit grant or election, including any applicable vesting and payout provisions of the Stock Units and the form of payment to be made at or following the vesting thereof, shall be set forth in or pursuant to the applicable Award Agreement and any relevant Company bonus, performance or other service or deferred compensation plan, in form substantially as approved by the Committee. The Committee may determine that an Award of Stock Units shall be fully vested at grant. The Committee, in its sole discretion, may provide for the acceleration of vesting of an Award of Stock Units, in whole or in part, based on such factors or criteria (including specified performance criteria) as the Committee may determine.
  - (b) *Payment of Awards*. The Committee, in the applicable Award Agreement or other award agreement or the relevant Company deferred compensation plan, may permit an Eligible Individual to elect the form and time of payout of vested Stock Units on such conditions or subject to such procedures as the Committee may impose, and may permit Stock Unit offsets or other provisions for payment of any applicable taxes that may be due on the crediting, vesting or payment in respect of the Stock Units.
  - (c) *Dividend Equivalent Rights*. In its discretion, the Committee may grant to any Eligible Individual "*Dividend Equivalent Rights*" concurrently with the grant of any Award of Stock Units, on such terms as set forth by the Committee in the applicable Award Agreement. Dividend Equivalent Rights shall be based on all or part of the amount of dividends declared on shares of Common Stock and shall be credited as of dividend payment dates during the period between the date of grant (or such later date as the Committee may set) and the date the Award of Stock Units expires (or such earlier date as the Committee may set), as determined by the Committee. Dividend Equivalent Rights shall be payable in cash or shares of Common Stock, and may be subject to such conditions, as may be determined by the Committee.

- (d) *Cancellation of Restricted Stock Units*. Unless the Committee otherwise expressly provides, and subject to Section 14 hereof, Restricted Stock Units that remain subject to any conditions to vesting at the time of termination of employment or service or are subject to other conditions to vesting that have not been satisfied by the time specified in the applicable Award Agreement shall not vest and shall be cancelled, unless the Committee otherwise provides in or by amendment to the applicable terms of the Award.
- (e) *Rights as Shareholder.* A Participant shall have no rights as a shareholder with respect to an Award of Stock Units. Stock Units may, however, by express provision in the applicable Award Agreement, entitle a Participant to Dividend Equivalent Rights as provided under Section 9A(c) hereof.
- 9B. *Dividend Equivalent Rights*. In addition to Dividend Equivalent Rights contemplated by Section 9A(c), Dividend Equivalent Rights may be granted as a separate Award or in connection with another Award under this Plan; provided, however, that Dividend Equivalent Rights may not be granted in connection with a Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right granted under this Plan. In addition, any dividends and/or Dividend Equivalent Rights as to the unvested portion of a Restricted Stock Award that is subject to performance-based vesting requirements or the unvested portion of a Stock Unit Award that is subject to performance-based vesting requirements will be subject to termination and forfeiture to the same extent as the corresponding portion of the Award to which they relate.
- 10. *Stock Appreciation Rights*. Stock Appreciation Rights granted under the Plan shall be subject to the following terms and conditions and shall contain such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, as the Committee shall deem appropriate.
  - (a) *Award Agreement*. Stock Appreciation Rights shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement in such form and containing such terms and conditions as the Committee deems appropriate and which are not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan.
  - (b) *Terms of Stock Appreciation Rights Generally*. Subject to the terms of the Plan and the applicable Award Agreement, each Stock Appreciation Right shall entitle the Participant to whom such Stock Appreciation Right was granted to receive, upon exercise thereof, the amount specified in Section 10(e). A Stock Appreciation Right may be granted alone or in addition to other Awards, or in tandem with a Stock Option. If granted in tandem with a Stock Option, a Stock Appreciation Right shall cover the same number of shares of Common Stock as covered by the Stock Option (or such lesser number of shares as the Committee may determine).
  - (c) *Exercise Price*. The exercise price per share of Common Stock subject to a Stock Appreciation Right shall be determined by the Committee at the time of grant and set forth in the Award Agreement; *provided*, *however*, that the exercise price per share of a Stock Appreciation Right shall not be less than one hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant, subject to adjustment as contemplated by Section 16(b).

- (d) Exercise. A Stock Appreciation Right may be exercised by a Participant in accordance with procedures established by the Committee. A Stock Appreciation Right granted in tandem with a Stock Option shall be exercisable only at such time or times and to the extent the related Stock Option shall be exercisable, and shall have the same term and exercise price as the related Stock Option. A Stock Appreciation Right unrelated to a Stock Option shall contain such terms and conditions as to exercisability and duration as the Committee shall determine, but in no event shall any such Stock Appreciation Right have a term of greater than ten (10) years. The Committee may provide that a Stock Appreciation Right shall be fully vested and exercisable upon grant. The Committee, in its sole discretion, may provide for the acceleration of vesting of a Stock Appreciation Right, in whole or in part, based on such factors or criteria (including specified performance criteria) as the Committee may determine. Upon exercise of a Stock Appreciation Right granted in tandem with a Stock Option, the related Stock Option shall be cancelled automatically to the extent of the number of shares covered by such exercise, and such shares shall no longer be available for grant under the Plan. If the related Stock Option is exercised as to some or all of the shares covered by the tandem grant, the related Stock Appreciation Right shall be cancelled automatically to the extent of the number of shares covered by the Stock Option exercise. A Stock Appreciation Right granted in tandem with an Incentive Stock Option may be exercised only when the Fair Market Value of the Common Stock subject to the Incentive Stock Option exceeds the exercise price of such Stock Option.
- (e) *Amount of Payment*. In the event a Participant exercises a Stock Appreciation Right, such Participant shall be entitled to receive an amount determined by multiplying (a) the positive difference (if any) between the Fair Market Value of one share of Common Stock on the date of exercise and the exercise price per share specified for the Stock Appreciation Right by (b) the number of shares in respect of which the Stock Appreciation Right shall have been exercised. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee may limit in any manner the amount payable with respect to any Stock Appreciation Right by including such a limit in the Award Agreement at the time the Stock Appreciation Right is granted.
- (f) *Form of Payment*. Payment upon exercise of a Stock Appreciation Right shall be made in cash, in shares of Common Stock, or some combination thereof, as the Committee shall determine in its sole discretion.
- (g) *Rights as Shareholder.* A Participant shall have no rights as a shareholder with respect to any Stock Appreciation Right unless and until shares of Common Stock (either in certificate or book entry form) are issued to the Participant as payment upon exercise of such Stock Appreciation Right, and, subject to Section 16(b), no adjustment shall be made for dividends or distributions or other rights in respect of any share for which the record date is prior to the date on which the Participant shall become the holder of record thereof.

- 11. *Performance Share Awards*. Performance Share Awards granted under the Plan shall be subject to the following terms and conditions and shall contain such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the Plan, as the Committee shall deem appropriate:
  - (a) *Award Agreement*. Performance Share Awards shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement in such form and containing such terms and conditions as the Committee deems appropriate and which are not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan. Each Award Agreement shall set forth the number of shares of Common Stock to be received by a Participant upon satisfaction of certain specified performance criteria and subject to such other terms and conditions as the Committee deems appropriate.
  - (b) *Terms of Performance Share Awards Generally*. Performance Share Awards may be granted under the Plan in such form as the Committee may from time to time approve. Performance Share Awards may be granted for such consideration as the Committee deems appropriate including, without limitation, services rendered by the Participant. Performance Share Awards may be granted alone or in addition to other Awards under the Plan. Subject to the terms of the Plan, the Committee shall determine the number of shares of Common Stock subject to each Performance Share Award granted to a Participant.
  - (c) *Performance Goals*. Performance Share Awards may provide that, in order for a Participant to be entitled to receive shares of Common Stock under such Award, the Company, a Subsidiary, an applicable division or business unit of any of them, and/or the Participant must achieve one or more specified performance goals ("*Performance Goals*") over a designated performance period ("*Performance Period*") or satisfy such other vesting criteria as the Committee may prescribe. The Performance Goal(s) and Performance Period shall be established by the Committee in its sole discretion. The Committee may establish the Performance Goals for each Performance Period before or after the commencement of the Performance Period. In setting Performance Goals, the Committee may use such measures as it deems appropriate and it may adjust the performance objectives (or performance) to reflect any circumstances it deems appropriate. The extent to which a Participant is entitled to payment of a Performance Share Award at the end of the Performance Period shall be determined by the Committee, in its sole discretion, based on the Committee's determination of whether the Performance Goals established by the Committee in the granting of such Performance Share Award have been met. The Committee, in its sole discretion, may provide for the acceleration of vesting of a Performance Share Award, in whole or in part, based on such factors or criteria (including specified performance criteria) as the Committee may determine.
  - (d) *Payment of Awards*. Payment in settlement of a Performance Share Award shall be made as soon as practicable following the conclusion of the respective Performance Period, or at such other time as the Committee shall determine, in shares of Common Stock.

- (e) *Rights as Shareholder*. Except as otherwise provided by the Committee in the applicable Award Agreement, a Participant shall have no rights as a shareholder with respect to a Performance Share Award until shares of Common Stock (either in certificate or book entry form) shall have been issued to the Participant following the conclusion of the Performance Period, and, subject to Section 16(b), no adjustment shall be made for dividends or distributions or other rights in respect of any share for which the record date is prior to the date on which the Participant shall become the holder of record thereof.
- 12. *Performance Units*. Awards of Performance Units shall be subject to the following terms and conditions and shall contain such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, as the Committee shall deem appropriate:
  - (a) *Award Agreement*. Awards of Performance Units shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement in such form and containing such terms and conditions as the Committee deems appropriate and which are not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan.
  - (b) *Terms of Performance Units Generally*. Each Performance Unit shall entitle the Participant to whom such Performance Unit was granted to receive, upon satisfaction of certain specified performance criteria and subject to such other terms and conditions as the Committee deems appropriate, the amount specified in Section 12(d). Performance Units may be granted alone or in addition to other Awards under the Plan.
  - (c) *Performance Goals*. Awards of Performance Units may provide that, in order for a Participant to be entitled to payment under such Award, the Company, a Subsidiary, an applicable division or business unit of any of them, and/or the Participant must achieve one or more specified Performance Goals over a designated Performance Period or satisfy such other vesting criteria as the Committee may prescribe. The Performance Goal(s) and Performance Period shall be established by the Committee in its sole discretion. The Committee may establish the Performance Goals for each Performance Period before or after the commencement of the Performance Period. In setting Performance Goals, the Committee may use such measures as it deems appropriate and it may adjust the performance objectives (or performance) to reflect any circumstances it deems appropriate. The extent to which a Participant is entitled to payment of a Performance Unit Award at the end of the Performance Period shall be determined by the Committee, in its sole discretion, based on the Committee's determination of whether the Performance Goals established by the Committee in the granting of such Performance Unit Award have been met. The Committee, in its sole discretion, may provide for the acceleration of vesting of a Performance Unit, in whole or in part, based on such factors or criteria (including specified performance criteria) as the Committee may determine.
  - (d) *Payment of Awards*. Payment in settlement of a Performance Unit Award shall be made as soon as practicable following the conclusion of the respective Performance Period, or at such other time as the Committee shall determine, in cash. The amount of any such payment shall be determined by multiplying (i) the difference between the Fair Market Value of one share of Common Stock on the relevant date and the price per share specified for the Performance Unit by (ii) the number of Performance Units.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee may limit in any manner the amount payable with respect to any Performance Unit by including such a limit in the Award Agreement at the time the Performance Unit is granted.

(e) *Rights as Shareholder*. A Participant shall have no rights as a shareholder with respect to an Award of Performance Units.

#### 13. Non-Employee Director Awards.

(a) Annual Award Grants. On each Eligibility Date, each Non-Employee Director who (unless otherwise determined by the Board) has not been an employee of the Company or any Subsidiary at any time during the immediately preceding 12 months shall automatically (without requiring any further action by the Board) be granted a Restricted Stock Award for a number of restricted shares of Common Stock equal to a Dollar amount approved by the Board divided by the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant, rounded down to the nearest whole share. In the absence of a different determination by the Board in advance of the applicable Eligibility Date, such Dollar amount shall be \$180,000.

On each Eligibility Date, a Non-Employee Director then serving as the Chair of the Board and who has not been an employee of the Company or any Subsidiary at any time during the immediately preceding 12 months shall (unless otherwise provided by the Board) automatically (without requiring any further action by the Board) be granted an additional Restricted Stock Award (in addition to any other award provided for above in this Section 13(a)) for a number of restricted shares of Common Stock equal to a Dollar amount approved by the Board divided by the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant, rounded down to the nearest whole share. In the absence of a different determination by the Board in advance of the applicable Eligibility Date, such Dollar amount shall be \$95,000. For clarity, service as the Company's lead independent director shall not (unless otherwise provided by the Board) result in an additional award pursuant to this paragraph unless the director is also a Non-Employee Director serving as the Chair of the Board on the applicable date and otherwise entitled to an award for serving as Chair of the Board pursuant to the foregoing.

The Board has the authority to change the timing of the Restricted Stock Award grants provided for in this Section 13, and the grant date Dollar value of the Restricted Stock Awards provided for in this Section 13, from time to time (including, without limitation, the authority to provide for an initial Restricted Stock Award to a Non-Employee Director who is first appointed or elected to the Board or to make discretionary grants of Restricted Stock Awards to one or more Non-Employee Directors, in such amounts as the Board may determine) and may provide for one or more Restricted Stock Awards to be granted in the form of Restricted Stock Units that will be payable upon vesting in an equal number of shares of Common Stock (in lieu of delivering restricted shares of Common Stock at the time of grant of the award). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding paragraphs of this Section 13, to the extent that any award otherwise provided for in this Section 13 would cause the limit set forth in Section 6(c) to

be exceeded, the size of the award shall be reduced to the extent necessary such that the limit set forth in Section 6(c) is not exceeded.

- (b) *Vesting.* Except as provided in the next sentence, each Restricted Stock Award granted under this Section 13 shall become vested as to 100% of the total number of shares of Common Stock subject thereto upon the first to occur of (i) the first anniversary of the date of grant, (ii) a termination of service on the Board if such Non-Employee Director has completed a full term of service and he or she does not stand for re-election at the completion of such term, or (iii) the occurrence of a Change in Control. The Board has the authority to change such vesting provisions from time to time and may provide that any particular Award will be vested immediately after grant. Promptly after the vesting date and satisfaction of all applicable restrictions, the Company shall, as applicable, either remove the notations on any shares issued in book entry form that have met such conditions or deliver to the Participant holding the Award (to the extent that the certificate(s) had not previously been delivered) a certificate or certificates evidencing the number of the shares of Common Stock as to which the restrictions have lapsed. Book entries shall be made, or certificates shall be delivered, as applicable, evidencing vested shares (and any other amounts deliverable in respect thereof shall be delivered and paid) only to the Participant or his or her personal representative, as the case may be.
- (c) *Voting; Dividends*. After the applicable date of grant of a Restricted Stock Award pursuant to this Section 13, the Participant holding the Restricted Stock Award shall have voting rights and dividend rights with respect to the shares of Common Stock subject to the award. Any securities or other property receivable in respect of the shares subject to an Award pursuant to this Section 13 as a result of any dividend or other distribution (other than cash dividends), conversion or exchange of or with respect to the shares ("*Restricted Property*") will be subject to the restrictions set forth in the Plan to the same extent as the shares to which such securities or other property relate and shall be held and accumulated for the benefit of the Participant, but subject to such risks. The Participant's voting and dividend rights shall terminate immediately as to any shares that are forfeited back to the Company in accordance with Section 13(d).
- (d) *Effect of a Termination of Service*. As to an Award granted pursuant to this Section 13 and unless otherwise provided by the Board, if a Participant ceases to be a member of the Board for any reason, any shares subject to the Participant's Restricted Stock Award that are not fully vested and free from restriction as of the Participant's termination of service (and do not vest in connection with such termination of service) shall thereupon be forfeited and returned to the Company.
- (e) Awards to Certain Non-U.S. Participants. As to any Award granted pursuant to this Section 13 to a Participant who at the time of grant is resident outside of the United States, the Board may, to the extent it determines necessary or advisable in the circumstances, provide that such Award shall be made in the form of Restricted Stock Units that will be payable upon vesting in an equal number of shares of Common Stock (in lieu of delivering restricted shares of Common Stock at the time of grant of the award). The Participant shall have no voting or other rights as a stockholder of the

Company with respect to such restricted stock units until such time as shares of Common Stock are actually issued to and held of record by the Participant; provided, however, that the Board may provide in the Award Agreement for the Participant to hold dividend equivalent rights in respect of any outstanding and unpaid Restricted Stock Units.

## 14. Termination of Employment.

(a) Death, Disability or Retirement. Except as may otherwise be provided by the Committee in its sole discretion at the time of grant or subsequent thereto and subject to Section 13 in the case of any Award granted pursuant to Section 13, if a Participant ceases to be employed by and ceases to provide services to the Company and its Subsidiaries by reason of the Participant's death, Disability or Retirement, (i) any Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right held by the Participant may thereafter be exercised, to the extent it was exercisable on the date of termination of such employment and services, for a period (the "Exercise Period") of one year from the date of such death, Disability or Retirement or until the expiration of the stated term of the Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right, whichever period is shorter, and to the extent not exercisable on the date of termination of employment and services, such Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right shall be forfeited as of such termination of employment and services; provided, however, that if a Participant terminates employment by reason of Retirement and such Participant holds an Incentive Stock Option, the Exercise Period shall not exceed the shorter of three months from the date of Retirement and the remainder of the stated term of such Incentive Stock Option; provided further, however, that if the Participant dies during the Exercise Period, any unexercised Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right held by such Participant may (unless otherwise provided by the Committee in the applicable Award Agreement) thereafter be exercised to the extent it was exercisable on the date of Disability or Retirement, by the legal representative of the estate or legatee of the Participant under the will of the Participant, for a period of one year from the date of such death or until the expiration of the stated term of such Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right, whichever period is shorter (or, in the case of an Incentive Stock Option, for a period equal to the remainder of the Exercise Period), (ii) with respect to a Restricted Stock Award, if such termination of employment and services is prior to the end of any applicable restriction period, the number of shares of Common Stock subject to such Award which have not become vested as of the date of death, Disability or Retirement shall be forfeited as of such termination of employment and services, (iii) with respect to a Restricted Stock Unit Award, if such termination of employment and services is prior to the end of any applicable conditions to vesting, the number of Restricted Stock Units subject to such Award that have not become vested as of the date of death, Disability or Retirement shall be forfeited as of such termination of employment and services and (iv) with respect to a Performance Share Award or a Performance Unit Award, if such termination of employment and services is prior to the end of any applicable Performance Period, the number of shares of Common Stock subject to such Award which have not been earned or the corresponding Award payment, as the case may be, as of the date of death, Disability or Retirement shall be forfeited as of such termination of employment and services. In determining whether to exercise its discretion under the first sentence of this Section 14(a) with respect to an Incentive Stock

Option the Committee may consider the provisions of Section 422 of the Code. Notwithstanding any longer exercise period otherwise contemplated by this Section 14, each Stock Option and Stock Appreciation Right shall be subject to earlier termination pursuant to Section 17.

- (b) Other Terminations. Unless the Committee determines otherwise in its sole discretion at the time of grant or subsequent thereto and subject to Section 13 in the case of any Award granted pursuant to Section 13, if a Participant ceases to be employed by and ceases to provide services to the Company and its Subsidiaries for any reason other than death, Disability or Retirement, (i) any Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right held by the Participant may thereafter be exercised, to the extent it was exercisable on the date of such termination of employment and services, for a period of sixty (60) days from the date of such termination of employment and services or until the expiration of the stated term of such Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right, whichever period is shorter, and to the extent not exercisable on the date of termination of employment or services, such Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right shall be forfeited as of such termination of employment and services, and (ii) with respect to a Restricted Stock Award, if such termination of employment and services is prior to the end of any applicable restriction period, the number of shares of Common Stock subject to such Award which have not become vested as of the date of termination of employment and services shall be forfeited as of such termination of employment and services, (iii) with respect to a Restricted Stock Unit Award, if such termination of employment and services is prior to the end of any applicable conditions to vesting, the number of Restricted Stock Units subject to such Award that have not become vested as of the date of termination of employment and services shall be forfeited as of such termination of employment and services and (iv) with respect to a Performance Share Award or a Performance Unit Award, if such termination of employment and services is prior to the end of any applicable Performance Period, the number of shares of Common Stock subject to such Award which have not been earned or the corresponding Award payment, as the case may be, as of the date of termination of employment and services shall be forfeited as of such termination of employment and services. In determining whether to exercise its discretion under the first sentence of this Section 14(b) with respect to an Incentive Stock Option, the Committee may consider the provisions of Section 422 of the Code. Notwithstanding any longer exercise period otherwise contemplated by this Section 14, each Stock Option and Stock Appreciation Right shall be subject to earlier termination pursuant to Section 17.
- (c) Events Not Deemed Terminations of Service; Effect of Change of Subsidiary Status. Unless Company policy or the Committee otherwise provides, the employment relationship shall not be considered terminated in the case of (a) sick leave, (b) military leave, or (c) any other leave of absence authorized by the Company or one of its Subsidiaries or the Committee; provided that unless reemployment upon the expiration of such leave is guaranteed by contract or law, such leave is for a period of not more than 90 days. In the case of any employee of the Company or one of its Subsidiaries on an approved leave of absence, continued vesting of the award while on leave from the employ of the Company or one of its Subsidiaries may be suspended until the employee

returns to service, unless the Committee otherwise provides or applicable law otherwise requires. In no event shall an award be exercised after the expiration of the term set forth in the award agreement. For purposes of this Plan and any award, if an entity ceases to be a Subsidiary of the Company a termination of employment and service shall be deemed to have occurred with respect to each Eligible Individual in respect of such Subsidiary who does not continue as an Eligible Individual in respect of another entity within the Company after giving effect to the Subsidiary's change in status unless that Subsidiary is sold, spun-off or otherwise divested (or its successor or a direct or indirect parent of such Subsidiary or successor) and assumes the Eligible Individual's award(s) in connection with such transaction.

- (d) If the Participant is not an employee of the Company or one of its Subsidiaries, and is not a member of the Board, and provides other services to the Company or one of its Subsidiaries, the Committee shall be the sole judge for purposes of this Plan (unless a contract or the award otherwise provides) of whether the Participant continues to render services to the Company or one of its Subsidiaries and the date, if any, upon which such services shall be deemed to have terminated. Unless otherwise expressly provided by the Committee, an individual being subject to restrictive covenants (such as, without limitation, confidentiality, non-solicitation, non-competition, and non-disparagement covenants), or a general cooperation obligation, shall not constitute "service" for purposes of this Plan or any Award. The Committee may also specify additional rules for determining if and when a termination of employment or services has occurred for purposes of this Plan.
- 15. Non-transferability. No Award granted under the Plan or any rights or interests therein shall be sold, transferred, assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered or disposed of except (a) to the Company, (b) by will or by the laws of descent and distribution, (c) (other than in the case of an Incentive Stock Option) to a family member (or former family member) pursuant to a domestic relations order that is received by the Committee, or (d) if the Participant has suffered a disability, permitted transfers or exercises on behalf of the participant by his or her legal representative; provided, however, that the Committee may, subject to such terms and conditions as the Committee shall specify, permit the transfer of an Award that is not an Incentive Stock Option to a Participant's family members or to one or more trusts established in whole or in part for the benefit of one or more of such family members; provided further that the restrictions in this sentence shall not apply to the shares received in connection with an Award after the date that the restrictions on transferability of such shares set forth in the applicable Award Agreement have lapsed. During the lifetime of a Participant, a Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right shall be exercisable only by, and payments in settlement of Awards shall be payable only to, the Participant or, if applicable, the "alternate payee" under a domestic relations order received by the Committee or the family member or trust to whom such Stock Option, Stock Appreciation Award or other Award has been transferred in accordance with the previous sentence.

## 16. Recapitalization or Reorganization.

(a) The existence of the Plan, the Award Agreements and the Awards granted hereunder shall not affect or restrict in any way the right or power of the Company or the

shareholders of the Company to make or authorize any adjustment, recapitalization, reorganization or other change in the Company's capital structure or its business, any merger or consolidation of the Company, 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 its assets or business, or any other corporate act or proceeding, whether of a similar character or otherwise.

- (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the Plan or any Award Agreement, in the event of any change in the outstanding Common Stock by reason of a stock dividend, recapitalization, reorganization, reclassification, merger, combination, consolidation, conversion, stock split, reverse stock split, combination, extraordinary dividend or distributions, spinoff, split-up, or exchange of shares (a "Change in Capitalization") (i) the Committee shall make such proportionate adjustments as may be necessary (in the form determined by the Committee in its sole discretion) to reflect such change to prevent dilution or enlargement of the rights of Participants under the Plan with respect to the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock for which Awards in respect thereof may be granted under the Plan (including the specific share limits, maximums and numbers of shares set forth elsewhere in the Plan), the number of shares of Common Stock covered by each outstanding Award, and the exercise or Award prices in respect thereof, the securities, cash or other property deliverable upon exercise or payment of any outstanding Awards or the performance standards applicable to any outstanding Awards and (ii) the Committee may make such other adjustments, consistent with the foregoing, as it deems appropriate in its sole discretion. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in each case, no adjustment shall be made to any Award that would subject the holder of such Award to additional tax under Section 409A of the Code with respect to such Award.
- 17. *Change in Control*. The provisions of this Section 17 shall be effective as to Awards granted on or after May 19, 2017. Awards granted prior to May 19, 2017 shall continue to be subject to the provisions of this Section 17 as in effect immediately prior to that date.
  - (a) Upon any Change in Control event in which the Company does not survive, or does not survive as a public company in respect of its Common Stock, then the Committee may make provision for a cash payment in settlement of, or for the termination, assumption, substitution or exchange of any or all outstanding Awards or the cash, securities or property deliverable to the holder of any or all outstanding Awards, based upon, to the extent relevant under the circumstances, the distribution or consideration payable to holders of the Common Stock upon or in respect of such event. Upon the occurrence of any event described in the preceding sentence in connection with which the Committee has made provision for the Award to be terminated (and the Committee has not made a provision for the substitution, assumption, exchange or other continuation or settlement of the Award) then, unless otherwise provided in the applicable Award Agreement, (i) all Stock Options or Stock Appreciation Rights then outstanding shall become fully exercisable as of the Change in Control, whether or not then exercisable, (ii) all restrictions and conditions of all Restricted Stock Awards then

outstanding shall lapse as of the Change in Control, (iii) all restrictions and conditions of all Restricted Stock Units then outstanding shall lapse and such Restricted Stock Units shall become payable as of the Change in Control, (iv) each other Award that is granted under this Plan shall become payable to the holder of such Award as of the Change in Control. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an Award shall not be accelerated and/or become payable pursuant to this Section 17 to the extent that such acceleration and/or payment shall cause the holder of such Award to be subjected to additional tax under Section 409A of the Code with respect to such Award and, in such circumstances as to any Award, the consideration to be paid with respect to the Award (which, for clarity, may be adjusted as provided above) shall be payable at the same time as the Award would have otherwise become payable in accordance with its terms without giving effect to any change in the time or manner of payment because of the Change in Control (subject to any termination or acceleration that may be permitted, without resulting in any tax under, Section 409A of the Code).

- (b) The Committee may provide for the accelerated vesting of an Award, as and to the extent determined by the Committee, in connection with any Change in Control or other circumstances.
- (c) For purposes of this Section 17, an Award shall be deemed to have been "assumed" if (without limiting other circumstances in which an Award is assumed) the Award continues after an event referred to above in Section 17(a), and/or is assumed and continued by the surviving entity following such event (the "Surviving Entity") (including, without limitation, an entity that, as a result of such event, owns the Company or all or substantially all of the Company's assets directly or through one or more subsidiaries (a "Parent")), and confers the right to purchase or receive, as applicable and subject to vesting and the other terms and conditions of the Award, for each share of Common Stock subject to the Award immediately prior to the event, the consideration (whether cash, shares, or other securities or property) received in the event by the shareholders of the Company for each share of Common Stock sold or exchanged in such event (or the consideration received by a majority of the shareholders participating in such event if the shareholders were offered a choice of consideration); provided, however, that if the consideration offered for a share of Common Stock in the event is not solely the ordinary common stock of a successor corporation or a Parent, the Committee may provide for the consideration to be received upon exercise or payment of the Award, for each share subject to the award, to be solely ordinary common stock of the successor corporation or a Parent equal in fair market value to the per share consideration received by the shareholders participating in the event.
- (d) The Committee may adopt such valuation methodologies for outstanding Awards as it deems reasonable in the event of a cash or property settlement and, in the case of Stock Options, Stock Appreciation Rights or similar rights, but without limitation on other methodologies, may base such settlement solely upon the excess if any of the per share amount payable upon or in respect of such event over the exercise or base price of the Award. In the case of a Stock Option or Stock Appreciation Right or similar right as to which the per share amount payable upon or in respect of such event is less than or

equal to the exercise or base price of the Award, the Committee may terminate such award in connection with an event referred to in Section 17(a) without any payment in respect of such Award.

- (e) In any of the events referred to in Section 17(a), the Committee may take such action contemplated by this Section 17 immediately prior to such event (as opposed to on the occurrence of such event) to the extent that the Committee deems the action necessary to permit the participant to realize the benefits intended to be conveyed with respect to the underlying shares and, in such circumstances, will reinstate the original terms of the Award if an event giving rise to an acceleration and/or termination does not occur.
- (f) The Committee may override the provisions of this Section 17 by express provision in the Award Agreement and may accord any Eligible Individual a right to refuse any acceleration, whether pursuant to the Award agreement or otherwise, in such circumstances as the Committee may approve. The portion of any Incentive Stock Option accelerated in connection with an event referred to in this Section 17 (or such other circumstances as may trigger accelerated vesting of the Award) shall remain exercisable as an Incentive Stock Option only to the extent the applicable \$100,000 limitation on Incentive Stock Options is not exceeded (with the balance of such Stock Option then a Nonqualified Stock Option).
- 18. Amendment of the Plan. The Board or Committee may at any time and from time to time terminate, modify, suspend or amend the Plan in whole or in part, except that no termination, modification, suspension or amendment shall be effective without shareholder approval if shareholder approval for the change is required by applicable law. No termination, modification, suspension or amendment of the Plan shall, without the consent of a Participant to whom any Awards shall previously have been granted, materially and adversely affect his or her rights under such Awards. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, the Board or Committee shall have broad authority to amend the Plan or any Stock Option to take into account changes in applicable tax laws, securities laws, accounting rules and other applicable state and federal laws. In addition, changes contemplated by Sections 16(b) and 17 of this Plan shall not be deemed to constitute changes or amendments for purposes of this Section 18.

#### 19. Miscellaneous.

(a) *Tax Withholding*. No later than the date as of which an amount first becomes includable in the gross income of the Participant for applicable income tax purposes with respect to any award under the Plan, the Participant shall pay to the Company or make arrangements satisfactory to the Committee regarding the payment of any federal, state or local taxes of any kind required by law to be withheld with respect to such amount. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, in accordance with rules and procedures established by the Committee, the required withholding obligations may be settled with Common Stock, including Common Stock that is part of the award that gives rise to the withholding requirement, valued in a consistent manner at their fair market value. The obligation of the Company under the Plan shall be conditioned upon such payment or

arrangements and the Company shall, to the extent permitted by law, have the right to deduct any such taxes from any payment of any kind otherwise due to the Participant.

- (b) ISO Notice of Sale. Unless otherwise provided by the Committee, the applicable Award Agreement for an Incentive Stock Option shall provide that if a Participant makes a disposition, within the meaning of Section 424(c) of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder, of any share of Common Stock issued to such Participant pursuant to the exercise of an Incentive Stock Option within the two-year period commencing on the day after the date of the grant or within the one-year period commencing on the day after the date of transfer of such share of Common Stock to the Participant pursuant to such exercise, the Participant shall, within ten (10) days of such disposition, notify the Company thereof, by delivery of written notice to the Company at its principal executive office.
- (c) *Loans*. On such terms and conditions as shall be approved by the Committee and subject to compliance with applicable law, the Company may directly or indirectly lend money to a Participant to accomplish the purposes of the Plan, including to assist such Participant to acquire or carry shares of Common Stock acquired upon the exercise of Stock Options granted hereunder, and the Committee may also separately lend money to any Participant to pay taxes with respect to any of the transactions contemplated by the Plan.
- (d) *No Right to Grants or Employment*. No Eligible Individual or Participant shall have any claim or right to receive grants of Awards under the Plan. Nothing in the Plan or in any Award or Award Agreement shall confer upon any employee of the Company or any Subsidiary or any other service provider any right to continued employment or service with the Company or any Subsidiary, as the case may be, or interfere in any way with the right of the Company or a Subsidiary to terminate the employment of any of its employees at any time, or to terminate the service of any other service provider at any time, with or without cause.
- (e) *Unfunded Plan*. Awards payable under this Plan shall be payable in shares or from the general assets of the Company, and no special or separate reserve, fund or deposit shall be made to assure payment of such Awards. No Participant, beneficiary or other person shall have any right, title or interest in any fund or in any specific asset (including shares of Common Stock, except as expressly otherwise provided) of the Company by reason of any Award hereunder. Neither the provisions of this Plan (or of any related documents), nor the creation or adoption of this Plan, nor any action taken pursuant to the provisions of this Plan shall create, or be construed to create, a trust of any kind or a fiduciary relationship between the Company and any of its Subsidiaries and any Participant, beneficiary or other person. To the extent that a Participant, beneficiary or other person acquires a right to receive payment pursuant to any Award hereunder, such right shall be no greater than the right of any unsecured general creditor of the Company. In its sole discretion, the Committee may authorize the creation of trusts or other arrangements to meet the obligations created under the Plan to deliver Common Stock or payments in lieu thereof with respect to Awards hereunder.

- (f) *Other Employee Benefit Plans*. Unless otherwise provided by the Committee, payments received by a Participant under any Award made pursuant to the provisions of the Plan shall not be included in, nor have any effect on, the determination of benefits under any other employee benefit plan or similar arrangement provided by the Company.
- (g) Securities Law Restrictions. The Committee may require each Eligible Individual purchasing or acquiring shares of Common Stock pursuant to a Stock Option or other Award under the Plan to represent to and agree with the Company in writing that such Eligible Individual is acquiring the shares for investment and not with a view to the distribution thereof. All shares of Common Stock delivered under the Plan shall be subject to such stock-transfer orders and other restrictions as the Committee may deem advisable under the rules, regulations, and other requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the New York Stock Exchange or any other exchange upon which the Common Stock is then listed, and any applicable federal or state securities law, and the Committee may cause a legend or legends to be put on any such shares issued in certificate form, or a notation to be made on any such shares issued in book entry form, as applicable, to make appropriate reference to such restrictions. No Award shall be granted or shares of Common Stock shall be issued hereunder unless the Company shall have determined that such grant or issuance is in compliance with, or pursuant to an exemption from, all applicable federal and state securities laws.
- (h) *Plan Construction*. The Plan and each Award Agreement is intended to comply with, and not result in any tax, penalty or interest under, Section 409A of the Code. The Plan and each Award Agreement shall be construed and interpreted consistent with that intent.
- (i) *No Liability*. Neither the Board nor any other Committee, nor any member thereof or person acting at the direction thereof, nor the Company or any of its Affiliates, shall be liable for any damages of a Participant or any other person should a Stock Option intended as an Incentive Stock Option fail to meet the requirements of the Code applicable to Incentive Stock Options, should any other Award(s) fail to qualify for any intended tax treatment, should any Award grant or other action with respect thereto not satisfy Rule 16b-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act, or otherwise for any tax (including, without limitation, under Section 409A of the Code) or other liability imposed on a Participant with respect to an Award.
- (j) Award Agreement. Each Eligible Individual receiving an Award under the Plan shall enter into an Award Agreement in a form specified by the Committee agreeing to the terms and conditions of the Award and such other matters as the Committee shall, in its sole discretion, determine. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the Plan and any such Award Agreement, the Plan shall govern, and the Award Agreement shall be interpreted to minimize or eliminate any such conflict or inconsistency.
  - (k) *Expenses*. The costs and expenses of administering the Plan shall be borne by the Company.

- (l) *Applicable Law*. Except as to matters of federal law and unless otherwise provided by the Committee, the Plan and all actions taken thereunder shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware without giving effect to conflicts of law principles.
- (m) *Effective Date*. This amended and restated version of the Plan shall be effective March 26, 2022 (the "*Effective Date*"), *provided* that the Plan is approved by the Company's shareholders within 12 months after that date.
- (n) *Privileges of Stock Ownership*. Except as otherwise expressly authorized by the Committee or this Plan, a Participant shall not be entitled to any privilege of stock ownership as to any shares of Common Stock not actually delivered to and held of record by the Participant. No adjustment will be made for dividends or other rights as a shareholder for which a record date is prior to such date of delivery.
- (o) *Severability*. If a court of competent jurisdiction holds any provision invalid and unenforceable, the remaining provisions of this Plan shall continue in effect.
- (p) *Captions*. Captions and headings are given to the sections and subsections of this Plan solely as a convenience to facilitate reference. Such headings shall not be deemed in any way material or relevant to the construction or interpretation of this Plan or any provision thereof.
- (q) *Non-Exclusivity of Plan*. Nothing in this Plan shall limit or be deemed to limit the authority of the Board or the Committee to grant awards or authorize any other compensation, with or without reference to the Common Stock, under any other plan or authority.
- (r) *Clawback Policy*. The Awards granted under this Plan are 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 awards or any shares of Common Stock or other cash or property received with respect to the Awards (including any value received from a disposition of the shares acquired upon payment of the Awards).
- (s) *International Awards*. One or more Awards may be granted to Eligible Individuals who provide services to the Company or an Affiliate outside of the United States. Any Awards granted to such persons may be granted pursuant to the terms and conditions of any applicable sub-plans, if any, to this Plan and approved by the Committee from time to time. The Awards so granted need not comply with other specific terms of the Plan, provided that shareholder approval of any deviation from the specific terms of the Plan is not required by applicable law or any applicable listing agency. The Committee may adopt a different methodology for determining Fair Market Value with respect to one or more Awards if a different methodology is necessary or

advisable to secure any intended favorable tax, legal or other treatment for the particular Award(s) and such different methodology may include, without limitation, determining the fair market value based on an average of closing prices (or the average of high and low daily trading prices) for a specified day or period on or preceding the relevant date.

(t) Assumed Awards. Awards may be granted to Eligible Individuals in substitution for or in connection with an assumption of employee stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, or other stock-based awards granted by other entities to persons who are or who will become Eligible Individuals in respect of the Company or one of its Affiliates, in connection with a distribution, merger or other reorganization by or with the granting entity or an affiliated entity, or the acquisition by the Company or one of its Affiliates, directly or indirectly, of all or a substantial part of the stock or assets of the employing entity. The awards so granted need not comply with other specific terms of the Plan, provided the awards reflect adjustments giving effect to the assumption or substitution consistent with any conversion applicable to the common stock (or the securities otherwise subject to the award) in the transaction and any change in the issuer of the security. Any shares of Common Stock that are delivered and any awards that are granted by, or become obligations of, the Company, as a result of the assumption by the Company of, or in substitution for, outstanding awards previously granted or assumed by an acquired company (or previously granted or assumed by a predecessor employer (or direct or indirect parent thereof) in the case of persons that become employed by the Company or one of its Affiliates in connection with a business or asset acquisition or similar transaction) shall not be counted against the Share Limit or other limits on the number of shares available for issuance under the Plan.

\*\*\*\*

# RESTRICTED STOCK AWARD AGREEMENT UNDER THE GUESS?, INC. 2004 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

This RESTRICTED STOCK AWARD AGREEMENT, dated as of the **[DATE]** (the "<u>Award Agreement</u>"), is entered into by and between Guess?, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), and [**First Name Last Name**] (the "<u>Grantee</u>").

WHEREAS, the Grantee is currently a non-employee director ("<u>Eligible Director</u>") of the Company and pursuant to the Guess?, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended and restated (the "<u>Plan</u>"), and upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Plan and this Award Agreement, the Company grants to the Grantee a restricted stock award (the "<u>Award</u>"). Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of services rendered and to be rendered by the Grantee, and the mutual promises made herein and the mutual benefits to be derived therefrom, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Grant</u>. Subject to the terms of the Plan and this Award Agreement, the Company hereby grants to the Grantee, effective as of [DATE] (the "<u>Date of Grant</u>"), an Award with respect to an aggregate of [Number] restricted shares of the Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "<u>Restricted Stock</u>").
- 2. <u>Vesting</u>. Subject to Section 7 below, the Award shall become vested as to 100% of the shares of Restricted Stock subject to the Award upon the first to occur of (a) the first anniversary of the Date of Grant, (b) immediately prior to the Company's Annual Shareholders Meeting that occurs in the calendar year following the calendar year of the Date of Grant, or (c) the occurrence of a Change in Control, provided that Grantee has been continuously engaged as an Eligible Director from the Date of Grant through the first to occur of such dates.
- 3. <u>Continuance of Service Required</u>. The vesting schedule requires continued service through the applicable vesting date as a condition to the vesting of the rights and benefits under this Award Agreement. Partial service, even if substantial, during the vesting period will not entitle the Grantee to any proportionate vesting or avoid or mitigate a termination of rights and benefits upon or following a termination of service as provided in Section 7 below or under the Plan, except as otherwise expressly provided in the Plan.
- 4. <u>Restrictions on Transfer</u>. Prior to the time that they have become vested pursuant to Section 2 hereof, neither the Restricted Stock, nor any interest therein, amount payable in respect thereof, or Restricted Property (as defined in Section 5 hereof) may be sold, assigned, transferred, pledged or otherwise disposed of, alienated or encumbered, either voluntarily or involuntarily. The transfer restrictions in the preceding sentence shall not apply to (a) transfers to the Company or (b) transfers by will or the laws of descent and distribution.
- 5. <u>Voting; Dividends</u>. After the Date of Grant, the Grantee shall have voting rights and dividend rights with respect to the Restricted Stock subject to the Award. Any securities or other property receivable in respect of the Restricted Stock as a result of any dividend

or other distribution (other than cash dividends), conversion or exchange of or with respect to the shares ("<u>Restricted Property</u>" and, for the purposes of this Award Agreement, "Restricted Stock" shall include "Restricted Property," unless the context otherwise requires) will be subject to the restrictions set forth in this Award Agreement and the Plan to the same extent as the shares to which such securities or other property relate and shall be held and accumulated for the benefit of the Grantee, but subject to such risks. The Grantee's voting and dividend rights shall terminate immediately as to any shares that are forfeited back to the Company in accordance with Section 7.

## 6. Stock Certificates.

- (a) <u>Book Entry Form</u>. The Company shall, in its discretion, issue the shares of Restricted Stock subject to the Award either (i) in certificate form as provided in Section 6(b) below or (ii) in book entry form, registered in the name of the Grantee with notations regarding the applicable restrictions on transfer imposed under this Award Agreement.
- (b) <u>Certificates to be Held by Company; Legend</u>. Any certificates representing shares of Restricted Stock that may be delivered to the Grantee by the Company prior to vesting shall be immediately redelivered by the Grantee to the Company to be held by the Company until the restrictions on such shares shall have lapsed and the shares shall thereby have become vested or the shares represented thereby have been forfeited hereunder. Such certificates shall bear the following legend and any other legends the Company may determine to be necessary or advisable to comply with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations:
  - "The ownership of this certificate and the shares of stock evidenced hereby and any interest therein are subject to substantial restrictions on transfer under an Award Agreement entered into between the registered owner and Guess?, Inc. A copy of such Award Agreement is on file in the office of the Secretary of Guess?, Inc."
- (c) <u>Delivery of Shares Upon Vesting</u>. Promptly after the vesting of any shares of Restricted Stock pursuant to Section 2 hereof, the Company shall, as applicable, either remove the notations on any shares of Restricted Stock issued in book entry form that have vested or deliver to the Grantee a certificate or certificates evidencing the number of shares of Restricted Stock that have vested. The Grantee (or the beneficiary or personal representative of the Grantee in the event of the Grantee's death or disability, as the case may be) shall deliver to the Company any representations or other documents or assurances as the Company may deem necessary or reasonably desirable to ensure compliance with all applicable legal and regulatory requirements. The shares so delivered shall no longer be restricted shares hereunder.
- (d) <u>Stock Power; Power of Attorney</u>. Concurrent with the execution and delivery of this Award Agreement, the Grantee shall deliver to the Company an executed stock power in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, in blank, with respect to the Restricted Stock. The Grantee, by acceptance of the Award, shall be deemed to appoint, and does so appoint by execution of this Award Agreement, the Company and each of its authorized representatives as the Grantee's attorney(s) in fact to effect any transfer of unvested forfeited shares (or shares otherwise reacquired by

the Company hereunder) to the Company as may be required pursuant to the Plan or this Award Agreement and to execute such documents as the Company or such representatives deem necessary or advisable in connection with any such transfer.

## 7. <u>Effect of a Termination of Service</u>.

- (a) Except as expressly provided in Section 2, if Grantee ceases to be a member of the Board for any reason, any shares of Restricted Stock subject to the Award that are not fully vested and free from restriction as of the Grantee's termination of service shall thereupon be forfeited and returned to the Company.
- (b) Upon the occurrence of any forfeiture of shares of Restricted Stock hereunder, such unvested, forfeited shares and related Restricted Property shall be automatically transferred to the Company, without any other action by the Grantee (or the Grantee's beneficiary or personal representative in the event of the Grantee's death or Disability, as applicable). The Company may exercise its powers under Section 6(d) hereof and take any other action necessary or advisable to evidence such transfer. The Grantee (or the Grantee's beneficiary or personal representative, as applicable) shall deliver any additional documents of transfer that the Company may request to confirm the transfer of such unvested, forfeited shares and related Restricted Property to the Company.
- 8. <u>Notices</u>. Any notice required or permitted under this Award 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 in the records of the Company or such other address as may be designated by Grantee in writing to the Company; or to the Company, Attention: Secretary, 1444 South Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California 90021, or such other address as the Company may designate in writing to the Grantee.
- 9. <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 Award Agreement shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of such provision or of any other provision hereof.
- 10. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Award 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 Award 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 Award Agreement is made and/or to be performed.
- 11. <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.

- 12. <u>No Right to Re-Election</u>. Neither the grant of the Award nor the execution of this Award Agreement shall interfere in any way with the right of the Company to terminate its relationship with the Grantee at any time.
- 13. 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 and kind of securities subject to the Award. If any adjustment is made under Section 16(b) of the Plan, the restrictions applicable to the shares of Restricted Stock shall continue in effect with respect to Restricted Property received in respect of such Restricted Stock. Such Restricted Property shall vest at such times and in such proportion as the shares of Restricted Stock to which the Restricted Property is attributable. To the extent that the Restricted Property includes any cash (other than regular cash dividends provided for in Section 5 hereof), such cash shall be invested, pursuant to policies established by the Committee, in interest bearing, FDIC-insured (subject to applicable insurance limits) deposits of a depository institution selected by the Committee, the earnings on which shall be added to and become a part of the Restricted Property.

- 14. <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, written or oral, 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.
- 15. Plan. The Award and all rights of the Grantee under this Award Agreement are subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan, incorporated herein by this reference. The Grantee agrees to be bound by the terms of the Plan and this Award Agreement. 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. Except as specifically

provided in this Award Agreement, in the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the Plan and this Award Agreement, the Plan shall govern.

- 16. <u>Electronic Delivery</u>. The Company may, in its sole discretion, decide to deliver any documents related to the Restricted Stock awarded under the Plan or future restricted stock that may be awarded under the Plan by electronic means or request the Grantee's consent to participate in the Plan by electronic means. The 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.
- 17. <u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Award 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.
- 18. <u>Committee's Powers</u>. No provision contained in this Award 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.
- 19. <u>Termination of this Award Agreement</u>. Upon termination of this Award Agreement, all rights of the Grantee hereunder shall cease.
- 20. <u>Section 83(b) Election</u>. The Grantee hereby acknowledges that, with respect to the grant of the Restricted Stock, an election may be filed by the Grantee with the Internal Revenue Service, <u>within 30 days</u> of the Date of Grant, electing pursuant to Section 83(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "<u>Code</u>"), to be taxed currently on the Fair Market Value of the Restricted Stock on the Date of Grant.
  - THE GRANTEE HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT IS THE GRANTEE'S SOLE RESPONSIBILITY AND NOT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE COMPANY TO TIMELY FILE AN ELECTION UNDER SECTION 83(b) OF THE CODE IN THE EVENT THE GRANTEE DESIRES TO MAKE SUCH AN ELECTION, EVEN IF THE GRANTEE REQUESTS THE COMPANY OR ITS REPRESENTATIVE TO MAKE THIS FILING ON THE GRANTEE'S BEHALF. THE COMPANY MAKES NO RECOMMENDATION AS TO WHETHER SUCH AN ELECTION SHOULD BE MADE.
- No Advice Regarding Grant. The Grantee is hereby advised to consult with her own tax, legal and/or investment advisors with respect to any advice the Grantee may determine is needed or appropriate with respect to the Restricted Stock (including, without limitation, to determine the foreign, state, local, estate and/or gift tax consequences with respect to the Award, the advantages and disadvantages of making an election under Section 83(b) of the Code with respect to the Award, and the process and requirements for such an election). Neither the Company nor any of its officers, directors, affiliates or advisors makes any representation (except for the terms and conditions expressly set forth in this Award Agreement) or recommendation with respect to the Award or the making an election under Section 83(b) of the Code with respect to the Award. In the event the Grantee desires to

make an election under Section 83(b) of the Code with respect to the Award, it is the Grantee's sole responsibility to do so timely. The Grantee is solely responsible for any and all tax liability that may arise with respect to the Award.

[Remainder of page intentionally blank. Signature page follows.]

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Company has caused this Award 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
Ву:
Print Name:
Its:
GRANTEE
Signature
[First Name Last Name]
Print Name

## **STOCK POWER**

greement between Guess?, Inc., a Delaware
'), dated as of, the
shares of Common Stock of the
ch shares are in certificate form, represented
to which this instrument is attached, and
as his or her
full power of substitution in the premises.
,

(Instruction: Please do not fill in any blanks other than the signature line. The purpose of the assignment is to enable the Company to exercise its sale/purchase option set forth in the Restricted Stock Award Agreement without requiring additional signatures on the part of the Individual.)

## RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT UNDER THE GUESS?, INC. 2004 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

This RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT, dated as of the **[DATE]** (the "<u>Award Agreement</u>"), is entered into by and between Guess?, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), and [«**Name**» «**Last\_Name**»] (the "<u>Grantee</u>").

WHEREAS, the Grantee is currently a non-employee director ("<u>Eligible Director</u>") of the Company and pursuant to the Guess?, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended and restated (the "<u>Plan</u>"), and upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Plan and this Award Agreement, the Company grants to the Grantee a restricted stock unit award (the "<u>Award</u>"). Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of services rendered and to be rendered by the Grantee, and the mutual promises made herein and the mutual benefits to be derived therefrom, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Grant</u>. Subject to the terms of the Plan and this Award Agreement, the Company hereby grants to the Grantee, effective as of [DATE] (the "<u>Date of Grant</u>"), an Award with respect to an aggregate of [«Shares»] stock units (subject to adjustment as provided in Section 16 of the Plan) (the "<u>Stock Units</u>"). As used herein, the term "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 Common Stock solely for purposes of the Plan and this Award Agreement. The Stock Units shall be used solely as a device for the determination of the the number of shares of Common Stock to eventually be delivered to the Grantee if such Stock Units vest pursuant to Section 2. The Stock Units shall not be treated as property or as a trust fund of any kind.
- 2. <u>Vesting</u>. Subject to Section 7 below, the Award shall become vested as to 100% of the Stock Units subject to the Award upon the first to occur of (a) the first anniversary of the Date of Grant, (b) immediately prior to the Company's Annual Shareholders Meeting that occurs in the calendar year following the calendar year of the Date of Grant, or (c) the occurrence of a Change in Control, provided that Grantee has been continuously engaged as an Eligible Director from the Date of Grant through the first to occur of such dates.
- 3. <u>Continuance of Service Required</u>. The vesting schedule requires continued service through the applicable vesting date as a condition to the vesting of the rights and benefits under this Award Agreement. Partial service, even if substantial, during the vesting period will not entitle the Grantee to any proportionate vesting or avoid or mitigate a termination of rights and benefits upon or following a termination of service as provided in Section 7 below or under the Plan, except as otherwise expressly provided in the Plan.
- 4. <u>Restrictions on Transfer</u>. Prior to the time that they have become vested pursuant to Section 2 hereof, neither the Stock Units, nor any interest therein or amount or shares payable in respect thereof, may be sold, assigned, transferred, pledged or otherwise hypothecated, disposed of, alienated or encumbered, either voluntarily or involuntarily. The transfer

restrictions in the preceding sentence shall not apply to (a) transfers to the Company or (b) transfers by will or the laws of descent and distribution.

## 5. <u>Voting; Dividends</u>.

- (a) <u>Limitations on Rights Associated with Units</u>. The Grantee shall have no rights as a shareholder of the Company, no dividend rights (except as expressly provided in Section 5(b) with respect to Dividend Equivalent Rights) and no voting rights, with respect to the Stock Units and any shares of Common Stock underlying or issuable in respect of such Stock Units until such shares of Common Stock are actually issued to and held of record by the Grantee. No adjustments will be made for dividends or other rights of a holder for which the record date is prior to the date of issuance of such shares.
- (b) <u>Dividend Equivalent Rights Distributions</u>. As of any date that the Company pays a cash dividend on its Common Stock, the Company shall credit the Grantee with an amount equal to (i) the per-share cash dividend paid by the Company on its Common Stock on such date, multiplied by (ii) the total number of Stock Units (with such total number adjusted pursuant to Section 16 of the Plan) subject to the Award as of the related dividend payment record date. Any amount credited pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section 5(b) shall be payable to the Grantee in cash, subject to the same vesting, timing of payment and other terms, conditions and restrictions as the original Stock Units to which such amount relates. No crediting of dividend equivalents shall be made pursuant to this Section 5(b) with respect to any Stock Units which, as of such record date, have either been paid pursuant to Section 6 or terminated pursuant to Section 7.
- 6. <u>Timing and Manner of Payment of Stock Units</u>. On or as soon as administratively practical following each vesting of the applicable portion of the total Award pursuant to Section 2 hereof (and in all events not later than two and one-half months after the applicable vesting date), the Company shall deliver to the Grantee a number of shares of Common Stock (either by delivering one or more certificates for such shares or by entering such shares in book entry form, as determined by the Corporation in its discretion) equal to the number of Stock Units subject to this Award that vested on the applicable vesting date, unless such Stock Units terminate prior to the given vesting date pursuant to Section 7. The Company's obligation to deliver shares of Common Stock or otherwise make payment with respect to vested Stock Units is subject to the condition precedent that the Grantee or other person entitled under the Plan to receive any shares with respect to the vested Stock Units deliver to the Company any representations or other documents or assurances as the Company may deem necessary or reasonably desirable to ensure compliance with all applicable legal and regulatory requirements. The Grantee shall have no further rights with respect to any Stock Units that are paid or that terminate pursuant to Section 7.
- 7. <u>Effect of a Termination of Service</u>. Except as expressly provided in Section 2, if the Grantee ceases to be a member of the Board for any reason, the Stock Units shall terminate to the extent such units have not become vested prior to the first date the Grantee is no longer a member of the Board. If any unvested Stock Units are terminated hereunder, such Stock Units shall automatically terminate and be cancelled as of the applicable termination

date without payment of any consideration by the Company and without any other action by the Grantee, or the Grantee's beneficiary or personal representative, as the case may be.

- 8. <u>Notices</u>. Any notice required or permitted under this Award 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 in the records of the Company or such other address as may be designated by Grantee in writing to the Company; or to the Company, Attention: Secretary, 1444 South Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California 90021, or such other address as the Company may designate in writing to the Grantee.
- 9. <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 Award Agreement shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of such provision or of any other provision hereof.
- 10. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Award 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 Award 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 Award Agreement is made and/or to be performed.
- 11. <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.
- 12. <u>No Right to Re-Election</u>. Neither the grant of the Award nor the execution of this Award Agreement shall interfere in any way with the right of the Company to terminate its relationship with the Grantee at any time.
- 13. <u>Code Section 409A</u>. It is intended that any amounts payable under this Award Agreement shall either be exempt from or comply with Section 409A of the Code (including the Treasury regulations and other published guidance relating thereto) ("<u>Code Section 409A</u>") 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 Award 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.
- 14. <u>Electronic Delivery</u>. The Company may, in its sole discretion, decide to deliver any documents related to the Stock Units awarded under the Plan or future Restricted Stock Units that may be awarded under the Plan by electronic means or request the Grantee's consent to participate in the Plan by electronic means. The 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.

- 15. <u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Award 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.
- 16. <u>Committee's Powers</u>. No provision contained in this Award 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 Stock Units.
- 17. 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 Stock Units and the number and kind of securities subject to the Award.

- 18. <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.
- 19. Plan. The Award and all rights of the Grantee under this Award Agreement are subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan, incorporated herein by this reference. The Grantee agrees to be bound by the terms of the Plan and this Award Agreement. 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. Except as specifically provided in this Award Agreement, in the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the Plan and this Award Agreement, the Plan shall govern.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Company has caused this Award 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
Ву:
Print Name:
Its:
GRANTEE
Signature
[«Name» «Last_Name»]
Print Name

## 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: September 2, 2022 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: September 2, 2022 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 July 30, 2022, 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: September 2, 2022 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 July 30, 2022, 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: September 2, 2022 By: /s/ DENNIS SECOR

Dennis Secor Interim Chief Financial Officer