#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K

#### CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): February 21, 2018

#### Dine Brands Global, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction 001-15283 95-3038279 (Commission File No.) (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation or organization) Identification No.) **450 North Brand Boulevard, Glendale, California** (Address of principal executive offices) 91203-2306 (Zip Code) (818) 240-6055 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code) Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the Registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below): ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

Members of management of Dine Brands Global, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Corporation"), will be holding an investor day on February 21, 2018 ("Investor Day"). A copy of the presentation to be used during the Investor Day is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is also available on the Corporation's website at www.dinebrands.com.

The information contained in this Item 7.01, including the related information set forth in the Investor Day presentation attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 is being "furnished" and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise. The information in this Item 7.01 shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or into any filing or other document pursuant to the Exchange Act, except as otherwise expressly stated in any such filing.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

 Exhibit Number
 Description

 99.1
 Investor Day Presentation

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.

Date: February 21, 2018

#### DINE BRANDS GLOBAL, INC.

/s/ Greggory H. Kalvin
Greggory H. Kalvin
Interim Chief Financial Officer and
Senior Vice President, Corporate
Controller







# Dine Brands Global, Inc. Investor Day

FEBRUARY 21, 2018

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This content includes references to the Company's non-GAAP financial measure "Adjusted free cash flow." "Adjusted free cash flow" for a given period is defined as cash provided by operating activities, plus receipts from notes and equipment contracts receivable, less capital expenditures. Management uses adjusted free cash flow in its periodic assessments of, among other things, the amount of cash dividends per share of common stock and repurchases of common stock and we believe it is important for investors to have the same measure used by management for that purpose. Adjusted free cash flow does not represent residual cash flow available for discretionary purposes. Additionally, "Adjusted EPS" is one of the metrics used in determining payouts under the Company's annual cash incentive plan. "Adjusted EPS" is computed for a given period by deducting from net income or loss available to common stockholders for such period the effect of any closure and impairment charges, any gain or loss related to debt extinguishment, any intangible asset amortization, any non-cash interest expense, any gain or loss related to the disposition of assets, and other items deemed not reflective of current operations. This is presented on an aggregate basis and a per share (diluted) basis. This content refers to the Company's non-GAAP financial measure "EBITDA." The Company defines "EBITDA" The Company defines "EBITDA" The Company defines "EBITDA" for a given period as income before income taxes less interest expense, loss on extinguishment of debt, depreciation and amortization, closure and impairment charges, non-cash stock-based compensation, gain or loss on disposition of assets and other charge backs that may be permitted under its securification loan agreement. Management may use certain of these non-GAAP financial measures along with the corresponding U.S. GAAP measures to evaluate the performance of the business and to make certain business decisions. Management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures and should not

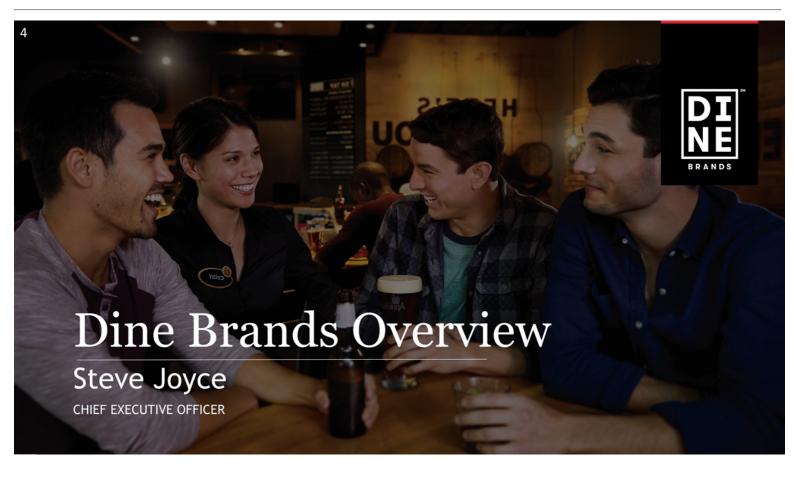
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## Agenda

8:00-8:20 a.m.	Introduction and Dine Brands Overview	Steve Joyce
8:20-8:50 a.m.	Vision 2022	Steve Joyce
8:50-9:20 a.m.	IHOP Strategic Review	Darren Rebelez
9:20-9:50 a.m.	Applebee's Strategic Review	John Cywinski
9:50-10:10 a.m.	International Strategic Review	William Urrego
10:10-10:25 a.m.	Break	
10:25-10:45 a.m.	Technology and Innovation	Adrian Butler
10:45-11:15 a.m.	Financial Summary	Gregg Kalvin
11:15-11:30 a.m.	Closing Remarks	Steve Joyce
11:30 a.m Noon	Q&A	Presenters





#### Dine Brands Overview





- Business Overview
- Leadership Team
- Investment Highlights
- Financial Goals





#### **Business Overview**

- Two iconic brands IHOP and Applebee's
- 3,700+ restaurants
- \$7.4 billion in system sales
- #1 in U.S. Family and Casual dining(1)
- Expanding international presence
- 100% franchised model
- 2017 revenue of \$738mm(2) and EBITDA of \$224mm(3)
- Industry-leading margins and significant cash generation(4)



(1) Annual ranking Nation's Restaurant News, "Top 100", June 19, 2017
(2) Includes IHOP and Applebee's advertising revenue
(3) See Appendix for reconciliation of the Company's income before taxes to EBITDA
(4) Data from Eart for

## Leadership Team: Steve Joyce, CEO



- Previously President and CEO of Choice Hotels
- Has served on Dine Brands board of directors since 2012
- Spent 26+ years with Marriott in senior positions
- Active member of the hospitality industry and business community
- Served on a variety of boards and community organizations, including Chair of the International Franchise Association



### Leadership Team: Deep & Experienced

















Interim CFO & Senior Vice President, Corporate Controller













Kevin Carroll
Senior Vice
President,
Operations

Scott Gladstone
Senior Vice
President,
Vice President,
Vice President,
Beverage
Marketing

Stephen Bulgarel
Chief Culinary
Officer
Officer



Brad Haley Chief Marketing Officer











Carrie Stojack Gregg BenvenutoNevielle Panthaky Adam Snow VP Consumer Vice President, Chief Culinary Vice President, Insights Development Officer Strategy and Business Analytics



#### Commitment to Success

- Implementing a plan to stabilize and grow performance at both brands
- Executing a new strategy
- Optimistic about the future

#### **OUR GOAL**:

RETURN TO GROWTH & CREATE SIGNIFICANT VALUE FOR SHAREHOLDERS & FRANCHISEES



### Investment Highlights

- Significant Scale in the U.S.
- Expanding International Presence
- Favorable Guest Dynamics
- 100% Franchised Model with Strong and Improving Franchisee Base
- Leader in U.S. Family and Casual Dining
- Robust EBITDA Margins
- Substantial Cash Flow Generation
- History of Significant Capital Return
- New Strategy, Culture and Philosophy



#### Two Iconic Brands

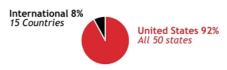


- Founded in 1958
- Leader in Family Dining category
- IHOP system has 1,786 locations globally
- 2017 system-wide sales: \$3.3 billion
- 2017 franchise revenue: \$185 million<sup>(1)</sup>
- #1 among Family Dining restaurants in the U.S.(2)





- Founded in 1980
- Leader in Casual Dining category
- Applebee's system has 1,936 locations globally
- 2017 domestic system-wide sales: \$4.1 billion
- 2017 franchise revenue: \$169 million<sup>(1)</sup>
- •#1 among Casual Dining restaurants in the U.S.(2)





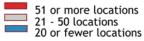
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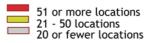
## Significant Scale in the U.S.





Existing IHOP System			
December 2017			
Total U.S. Locations	1,671		
International	115		
Total Locations	1,786		





Existing Applebee's System		
December 2017		
Total U.S. Locations	1,782	
International	154	
Total Locations	1,936	



## Expanding International Presence

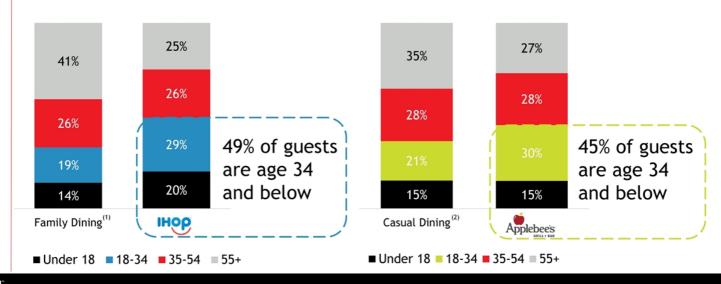




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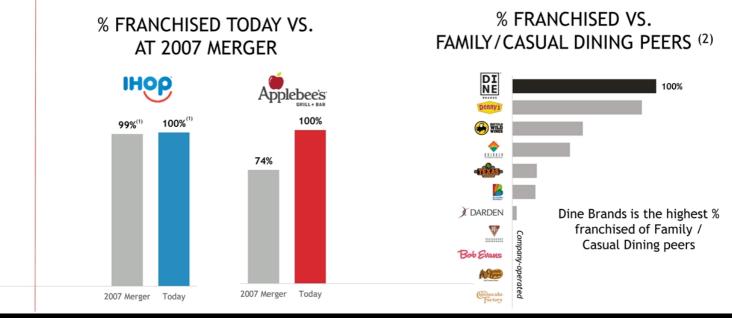
### **Favorable Guest Dynamics**

#### IHOP GUEST AGE DEMOGRAPHICS APPLEBEE'S GUEST AGE DEMOGRAPHICS



Source: NPD Consumer Reports on Eating Share Trends (CREST)
(1) Includes Denny's, Cracker Barrel, Bob Evans and Panera
(2) Includes Chill's, Ruby Tuesday, Tof Fridays, Outback and Olive Garder

#### 100% Franchised Model





(1) includes restaurants operated by area ticensees
(2) Public company's Form 10-K fillings earnings press releases and internal Company of

#### Strong and Improving Franchisee Base



- 321 franchisees globally
- Franchisee operates average of 5 units
- · Strong financial health



- · 60 franchisees globally
- Franchisee operates average of 32 units
- Notable improvements realized in Q4 2017 and expected in 2018

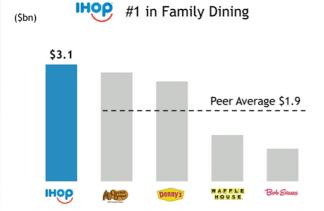
FRANCHISEES AT BOTH BRANDS ARE HIGHLY ENGAGED AND SUPPORTIVE OF BUSINESS STRATEGY

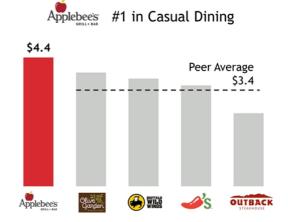


### Leader in U.S. Family and Casual Dining

2016 U.S. SYSTEM-WIDE SALES VS. KEY PEERS

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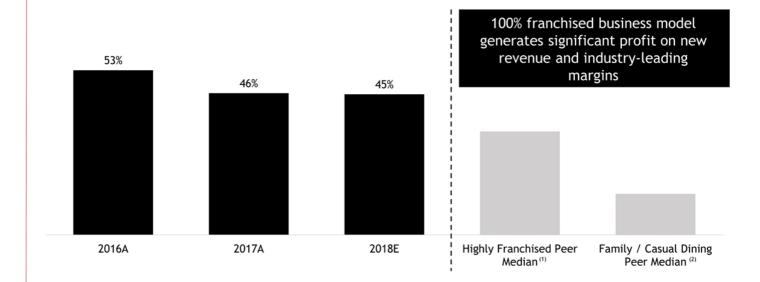






Source: Nation's Restaurant News, "Top 100," June 19, 201

## **Robust EBITDA Margins**





Source: FactSet, Company's Form 10-K filings for fiscal years 2016 and 2017 and Company projections Note: Excludes advertising revenue

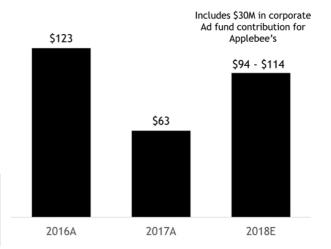
(1) Highly Franchised peers include Denny's, Dominos, Dunkin', Restaurant Brands International, Wendy's, Sonic, Jack in the Box and Papa John's.

#### Substantial Cash Flow Generation

- · Investment to drive growth at both brands
- · Attractive capital return to shareholders
- · Minimal capex requirements

FULLY-FRANCHISED AND ASSET-LITE MODEL GENERATES SUBSTANTIAL ADJUSTED FREE CASH FLOW

#### ADJUSTED FREE CASH FLOW(1)



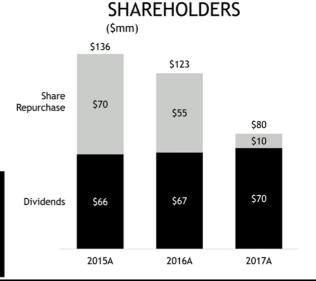


(1) See appendix for reconciliation of the Company's cash provided by operating activities to adjusted free cash flo

#### History of Significant Capital Return

- Shareholder-friendly capital return policy via dividends and share repurchases
- Quarterly cash dividend of \$0.63 per share in Q1 2018 (implied yield of ~4.7%<sup>(1)</sup>, attractive vs. industry peers)

SINCE 2015, DINE HAS RETURNED ~\$340 MILLION TO SHAREHOLDERS THROUGH CASH DIVIDENDS AND SHARE REPURCHASES



CAPITAL RETURN TO



Source: Company's Form 10-K filings for fiscal years 2015-201

### New Culture and Philosophy

Returning to growth

Actively supporting brands, not overseeing them

Restructuring to ensure brands have necessary resources



High-performance, valuesbased culture

Being bolder

Taking risks and moving forward



- Significant Investment in Existing Brands
- Continued Partnership with Franchisees
- Greater Emphasis on Data and Analytics
- New Technology to Enable Future Growth
- G&A Expense Discipline
- Shifting Capital Allocation Priorities
- Scalable Platform for New Opportunities
- Strong Projected Financial Performance









### Significant Investment in Existing Brands

- · Remodels and culinary innovation
- · Enhanced traditional & digital marketing
- · Dedicated training and operations
- Technology to enable greater guest access
- New growth platforms (e.g., To-Go, new formats)
- · Data insights and advanced analytics
- Reassigning key functions to create greater efficiency for both brands







### Continued Partnership with Franchisees

- · Continued partnership on a unified approach going forward
  - Additional contributions to national advertising to fuel breakthrough content
  - Restructured organization to best support the needs of our franchisees
  - Emphasis on agility and innovation at Dine Brands to create opportunities for our franchisees

OUR SUCCESS IS DEPENDENT ON THE SUCCESS OF OUR FRANCHISEES



#### Greater Emphasis on Data and Analytics

#### WE KNOW MORE THAN EVER ABOUT...

- · Who our guests are
- What matters to them
- Why they care about our brand



## ...AND WE'RE USING THIS INFORMATION TO...

- Deliver the value and experience our guests expect
- Make each guest visit more compelling and unique
- Drive traffic and conversion to a higher average check



#### New Technology to Enable Future Growth

- Creating greater access through technology
- Improving guest and team member experience
  - Server tablets, table-side payments and WiFi
- · Online ordering now available nationwide
- · Currently testing delivery









UTILIZING
TECHNOLOGY TO
ENHANCE THE GUEST
EXPERIENCE



#### General & Administrative Expense Discipline

\$166M



\$151M<sup>(1)</sup>
-9% YoY
Reduction

We are committed to maintaining significant cost discipline and targeting G&A growth at or below inflation

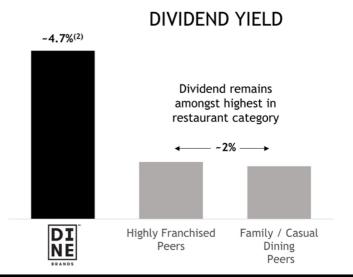


Source: Internal Company data and projection
(1) Based on midpoint of 2018 guidance

### Shifting Capital Allocation Priorities

- Quarterly cash dividend of \$0.63 per share in Q1 2018 (\$2.52 per share annualized)
- Payout ratio of ~44%<sup>(1)</sup>
- Opportunity for meaningful share repurchases

RETURNING CAPITAL TO SHAREHOLDERS REMAINS A TOP PRIORITY





Source: Wall Street research and company filings. Highly Franchised peers include Denny's, Dominos, Dunkin', Restaurant Brands International, Wendy's, Sonic, Jack in the Box and Papa John's. Family / Casual Dining peers include Darden, Cracker Barrel, Brinker, Texas Roadhouse, Bloomin' Brands, Cheesecake Factory, Buffalo Wild Wings, BJ's Restaurants and Red Robin Gourmet Burgers.

## Scalable Platform for New Opportunities

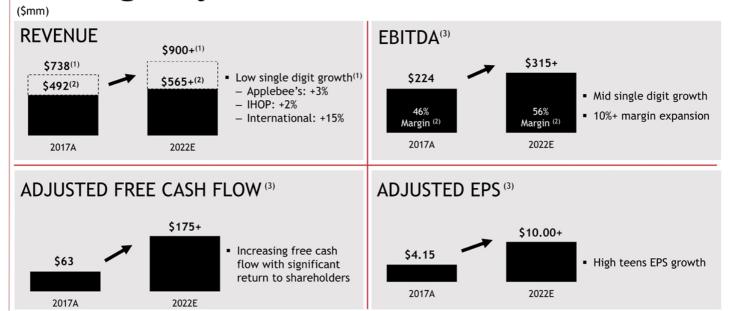
#### STRATEGIC EXPANSION OF PORTFOLIO ENABLED BY

- · Existing platform of corporate infrastructure
- · Extensive experience operating franchised model
- Strong and well capitalized future franchisee base
- · Proficiency in building and growing brands
- · Robust cash flow for continued investment





## Strong Projected Financial Performance



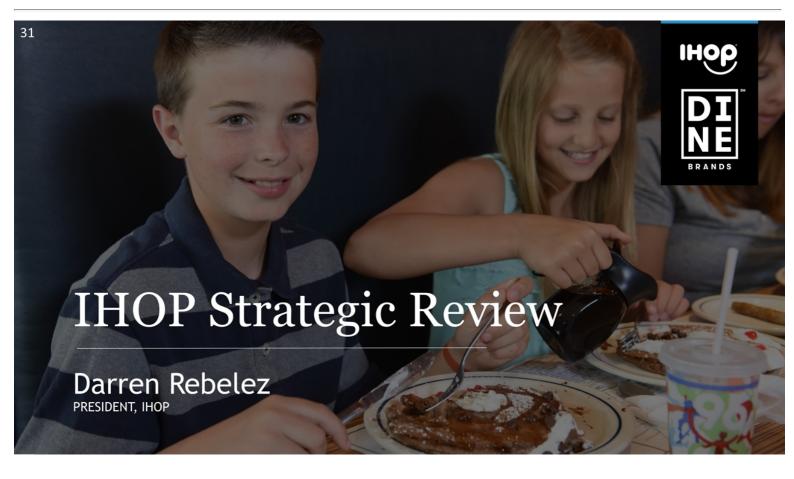


Source: Company's fiscal 2017 Form 10-K filings and Company projections.

(1) Includes IHOP and Applebee's advertising revenue

(2) Excludes advertising revenue

See appendix for reconciliation of the Company's non-GAAP financial measure:



### IHOP Strategic Review

- Business & Industry Overview
- Franchise Portfolio
- Guest Insights
- Growth Strategy
- Future Performance







#### **Business Overview**

#### BRAND OVERVIEW

- Founded in 1958
- · Leader in Family Dining category
- 1,671 IHOP locations domestically
- 301 domestic franchisees in the system

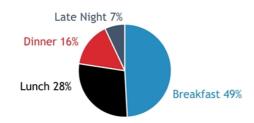
#### KEY FINANCIALS •

- Fiscal 2017 system-wide sales: \$3.3bn
- Fiscal 2017 Franchise revenue: \$185mm<sup>(1)</sup>

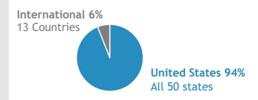
#### **SCALE**

#1 among Family Dining restaurants in the U.S.<sup>(2)</sup>

DINING OCCASIONS



MARKETS (% OF UNITS)





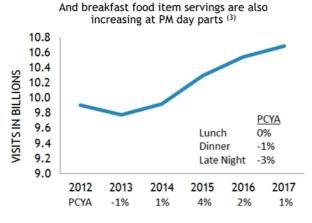


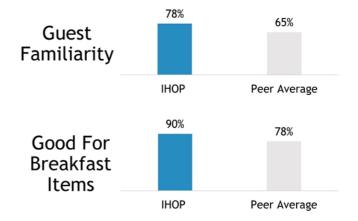
ource: Company's fiscal 2017 Form 10-K filing and fourth quarter fiscal 2017 earnings press release dated February 20, 2018 1) Excludes advertising revenue

## The Family Dining Category is Attractive and Growing

BREAKFAST TRAFFIC IS GROWING...(2)

...AND IHOP IS A BREAKFAST LEADER(1)





Breakfast = 6am-11am, Lunch = 11am-4pm, Dinner = 4pm-10pm, Late Night = 10pm-6am Source: The NPD Group/CREST YE November





Family Dining Has Significant Global

Opportunities

IHOP BANGKOK - THAILAND





IHOP DELHI - INDIA

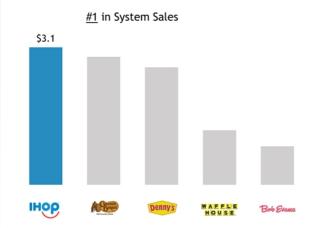
The global foodservice industry represents over \$3 trillion in sales, of which only 25% occurs in the U.S.  $^{(1)}$ 



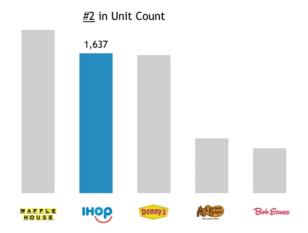


#### Leader in Family Dining for the Last 10 Years

2016 SYSTEM-WIDE SALES VS. PEERS



2016 UNIT COUNT VS. PEERS

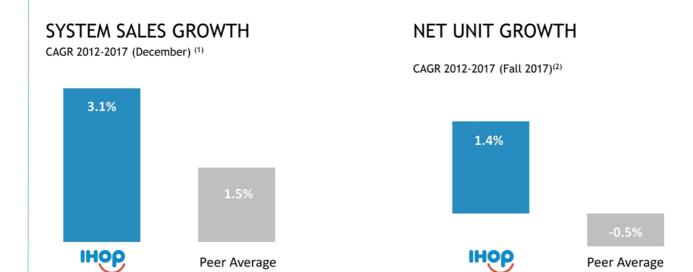






Source: Annual ranking by Nation's Restaurant News, "Top 100," June 19, 2017 (IHOP rank based on U.S. system-wide sales in the family dining category)

#### Historical Performance vs. Peer Average









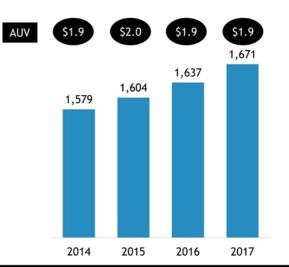
#### Historical Financial Performance

#### **IHOP REVENUE AND PROFITABILITY**(1)

Steadily improving margin profile despite structural runoff of receivables from Rental and Financing segments



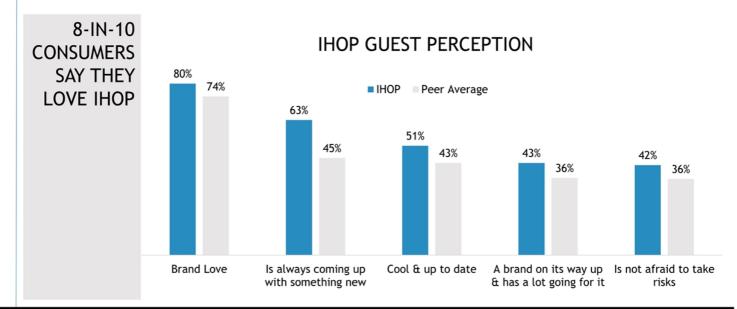
#### RESTAURANT COUNT AND AUV







#### Strong Brand Equity and Innovation Leader

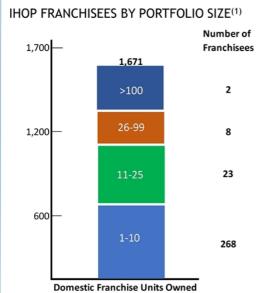




mentum = Brand is on the way up / has a lot going for it



## **Strong Franchisee Base**









## \*IHOP Leadership Team



Jay Johns SVP, Operations



Gregg Benvenuto VP, Development



Brad Haley SVP, Chief Marketing Officer



Carrie Stojack VP, Consumer Insights



Adam Snow VP, Strategy & Business Analytics



Alisa Gmelich VP. Marketing



Nevielle Panthaky VP, Menu Dev & Innovation





#### **IHOP's Strategy For Success**



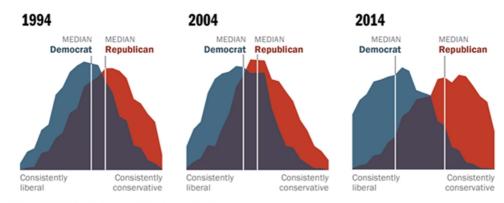




#### **Cultural Context**

#### Democrats and Republicans More Ideologically Divided than in the Past

Distribution of Democrats and Republicans on a 10-item scale of political values



Source: 2014 Political Polarization in the American Public
Notes: Ideological consistency based on a scale of 10 political values questions (see Appendix A). The blue area in this chart represents the ideological distribution of Democrats; the red area of Republicans. The overlap of these two distributions is shaded purple. Republicans include Republican-leaning independents; Democrats include Democratic-leaning independents (see Appendix B).

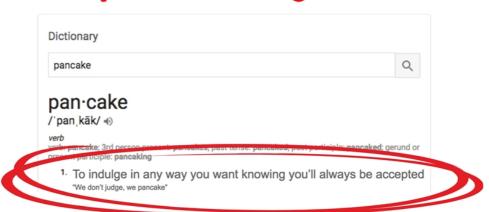
PEW RESEARCH CENTER





#### Purpose

# Give all folks a place to pancake together





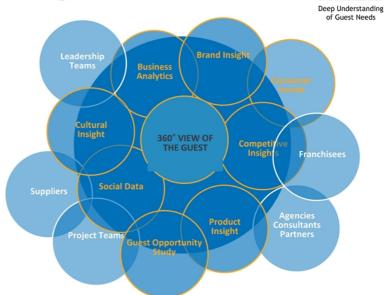


#### **Dedicated Consumer Insights Team**



A deep consumer understanding

- · Where are they going?
- Why are they going there?
- · When are they going?
- · Who are they going with?
- · What are they ordering?







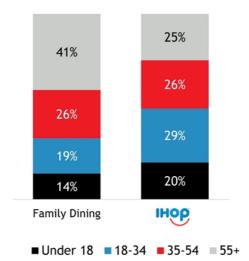
#### The IHOP Guest

Deep Understanding of Guest Needs

HALF OF IHOP **GUESTS ARE** YOUNGER THAN 35

THIS REPLENISHES OUR LONG-TERM **DEMAND AND PROVIDES A LIFE-**LONG SENSE OF **FUN AND BELONGING** 

#### **IHOP GUEST AGE DEMOGRAPHICS**











Source: NPD CREST

#### Rise N' Shine Remodel Program





 Completed 620 remodels since 2016, representing approximately 37% of total domestic system



- Enhances guest experience and improves operational efficiency
- Low single-digit sales improvement observed at remodeled locations





### Evolving In-Store Technology









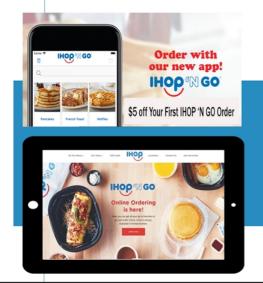
UTILIZING TECHNOLOGY TO IMPROVE THE GUEST EXPERIENCE



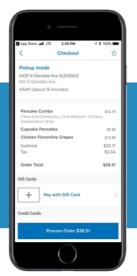


## Implemented Mobile Ordering Technology









IHOP IS NOW MORE ACCESSIBLE THAN EVER





#### Be Brilliant at the Basics





IT'S ALWAYS ABOUT THE GUEST EXPERIENCE, ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

- · Create a culture of iHospitality
- Evolution of DinePlate training platform
- New employee recognition program
- New regional field team structure
- Continue to drive high standards of execution





### **Continued Culinary Innovation**









## Compelling Value Proposition for Consumers











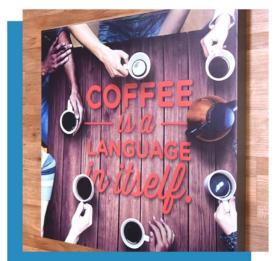


#### Refreshed Marketing Direction



- Insights and analytics-driven menu innovation
- State-of-the-art, analytics-based media planning
- New advertising campaign with agency powerhouse Droga5



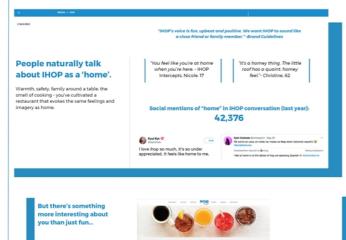






#### Pancakes, Pancakes









#### What we think of when we think of home.

Home is the sum of these parts













### Optimized Marketing Plan: Advertising



NEW TV ADVERTISING FROM DROGA5:



"WANDERER": 45 (IMAGE FPO, SHIPPING FEB 6)

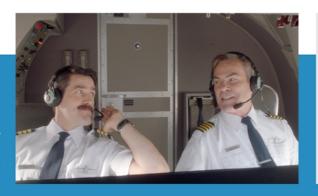




## Optimized Marketing Plan: Advertising



NEW TV ADVERTISING FROM DROGA5:





"PILOTS":30 "STACKS":30





### Optimized Marketing Plan: Advertising



NEW TV ADVERTISING FROM DROGA5:



"DECLARATION OF PANCAKES" :30
(IMAGE FPO, SHOOTING FEB 5)

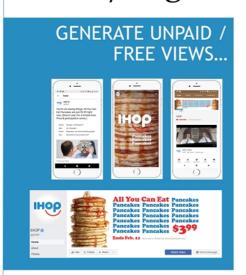




Optimized Marketing Plan:

Social / Digital Media







PLACEMENTS BASED ON ACTUAL GUEST VIEWING & DIGITAL BEHAVIOR

...AND ELEVATE OUR BRAND'S RELEVANCE ACROSS ALL DIGITAL AND SOCIAL CHANNELS







#### \*IHOP Leads in Social Media

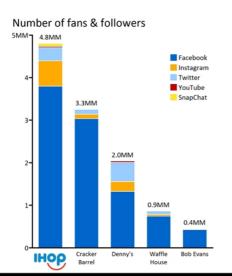
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PANČAKE REVOLUTION

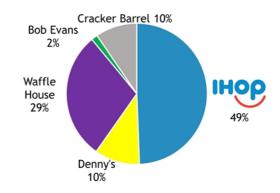
4.3MM Members



#### **IHOP HAS 4.8MM FANS AND FOLLOWERS**



#### IHOP WAS MENTIONED IN 49% OF BRANDED BREAKFAST CONVERSATIONS







Source: Crimson Hexagon, Unmetric, Spredfast Intelligence and social media channels

## A Strategic Approach to Off-Premise





#### **TECHNOLOGY**



#### IN-STORE SERVICE





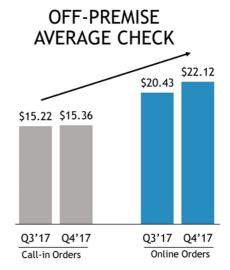


#### **Growing Our Off-Premise Business**







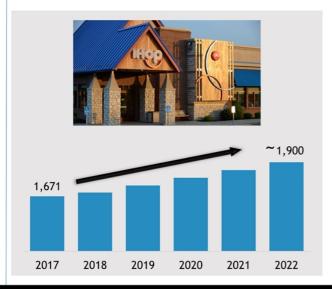




Source: Internal Company data

#### Consistent Restaurant Development





- Continued domestic development
- Non-traditional and small formats
- Significant growth opportunities in urban/rural areas





## Development of Non-Traditional Restaurant Formats





INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

WINSTAR WORLD CASINO & RESORT - THACKERVILLE, OK



LOVE'S TRAVEL STOPS-FRANCHISED IHOP EXPRESS - WHITEHOUSE, TN





HARTSFIELD-JACKSON ATLANTA

DALLAS/FORT WORTH
INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORT





#### Doing Good is Good for Business: Community Giving











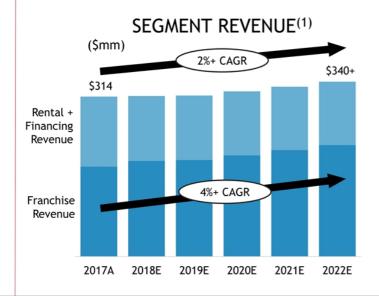
- \$30MM collected for charity partners since 2006<sup>(1)</sup>
- National Pancake Day is both our highest traffic day and our signature giving event
- Veterans Day is another cornerstone for both IHOP traffic and giving - we focus on our partnership with Children of Fallen Patriots

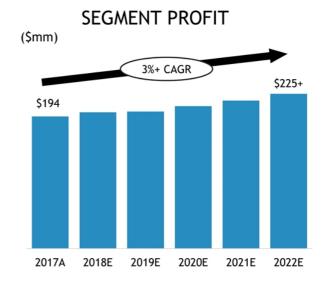




) Based on information from IHOP franchisees and internal Company data

### Projected Financial Performance









#### Conclusion



OUR GOAL IS TO CREATE SIGNIFICANT VALUE FOR SHAREHOLDERS & FRANCHISEES

- New, world-class leadership team in place
- Franchisees unified behind go forward strategy
- Distinctive consumer insights and improved analytics
- · Continued development of traditional and new formats
- Significant daypart expansion opportunities
- Growth through urban and underpenetrated markets







## Applebee's Strategic Review

- Business Overview
- Franchisee Portfolio
- Leadership Team
- Our Guest
- Growth Strategy
- Future Performance



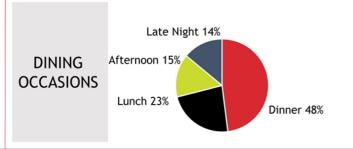




#### **Business Overview**

#### BRAND OVERVIEW

- · Founded in 1980
- · Leader in Casual Dining category
- 1,782 Applebee's locations domestically
- 35 domestic franchisees in the system



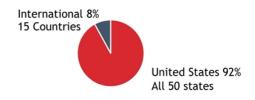
KEY FINANCIALS

- Fiscal 2016 system-wide sales: \$4.1 billion
- Fiscal 2017 Franchise revenue: \$169 million<sup>(1)</sup>

**SCALE** 

#1 among Casual Dining restaurants in the U.S. (2)

MARKETS (% OF UNITS)







#### Casual Dining Overview



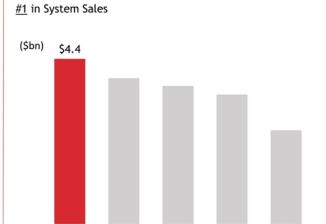
- Category showing improvement
  - Favorable economic conditions
- Chains outperforming independents on traffic (+1% vs. -5%)
  - Significant independent closures
- Bar & Grill gaining CDR share (+0.7% since 2012)
- · Off-premise driving growth





#### Casual Dining Leader

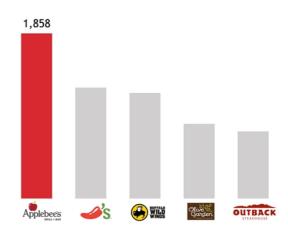




OUTBACK

#### 2016 UNIT COUNT VS. PEERS





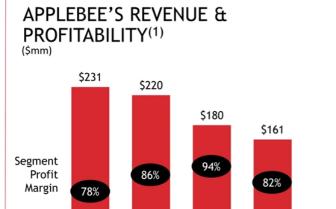




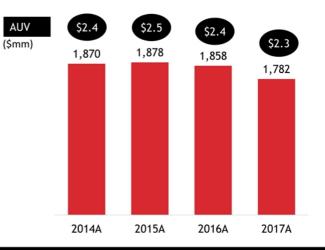
Source: Nation's Restaurant News, "Top 100", June 19, 2017

#### Historical Financial Performance

2017A



## APPLEBEE'S RESTAURANT COUNT & AUV







2016A

2015A

2014A

#### Brand in Transition

- 2017 was a transition year for Applebee's
- Growth plan underway
  - Enhanced relevance
  - Sustained profitable growth
- Early momentum
- Partnership, structure, strategy and execution







#### Applebee's Franchisee Portfolio

- 35 franchise entities
  - Majority are strong performers
- Strong alignment going forward
- · Fully leveraging entrepreneurial spirit and best-practice sharing
- Re-established trust, partnership & belief
- · Providing financial assistance for those in need
- · Portfolio will evolve... by design







#### Applebee's Structure

- Re-establish brand identity and culture
- Shift shared-service model to dedicated brand resources
- Clear focus and accountability
- Best-in-class leadership team in place





#### 'Applebee's Leadership Team











Chief Operations Officer



VP, Strategy/Off-Premise

Steve Levigne VP, Consumer Insights













VP, Operations Services

Division VP, Operations

Division VP, Operations

VP, Marketing

VP, Bar/Beverage





#### Applebee's Starting Point

- · Honest look in the mirror
- · Re-define who we are and what we stand for
- · Embrace our brand essence
- Guest-led ... Insight-driven









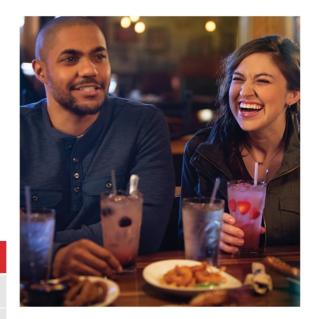


#### Applebee's Guest Profile

#### Broadly appealing demographics

- Middle income
- Family skew
- Diverse age composition

Applebee's Traffic by Age					
Gen Z	Millennial	Gen X	Boomer		
15.3% (111)	29.9% (147)	28.3% (104)	26.4% (68)		







#### Applebee's Core Target



#### **Routine Traditionalists**

 Prefer CDR chains ... will pay more ... older ... loyal

#### Value Seekers

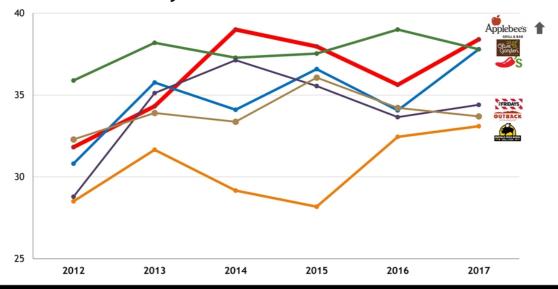
• Prefer CDR chains ... price important ... brand switchers





#### **Essential Brand Metric**

Value for the Money





Source: NPD CREST



#### Applebee's Restaurant-Level Goal

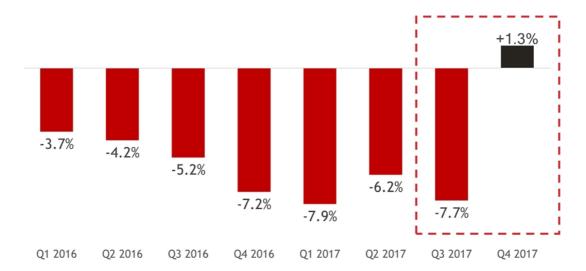
+\$300,000

(2018-2022 AUV)





#### Applebee's Quarterly Comp Sales







Source: Company's fiscal 2017 Form 10-K filing

#### Applebee's Growth Strategy

- 1. Restaurant Excellence
- 2. Technology Investment
- 3. Culinary Innovation
- 4. World-Class Marketing
- 5. Off-Premise Relevance
- 6. Return to Unit Growth in 2020





#### Applebee's Restaurant Excellence

- New Chief Operations Officer
- · Reduce operational variability
- Guest-satisfaction metrics/accountability
- Operations simplification
  - Kitchen/recipe complexity
- · Engaged consultants to improve restaurant-level profitability







#### Applebee's Ops Metrics Continue to Improve

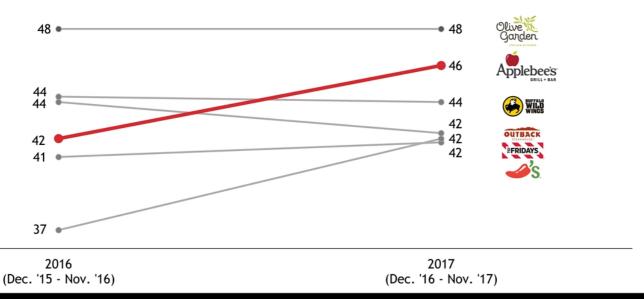
#### RESTAURANT TABLETOP SURVEY (5,700,000 ANNUAL RESPONSES)

	2016	2017	Δ
Overall Satisfaction	69%	76%	+ 7%
Attentive Server	80%	85%	+ 5%
Pace	75%	81%	+ 6%
Cleanliness	73%	78%	+ 5%
Experience A Problem	8%	5%	- 3%





#### NPD Guest Overall Satisfaction (% Top Box)





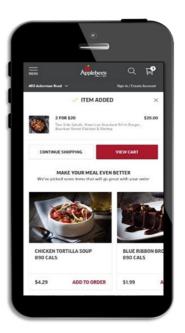


Source: NPD Group CREST, YE November 2017. Point changes reflect top box scores (% excellent) on 5 pt scale.

## Applebee's Technology

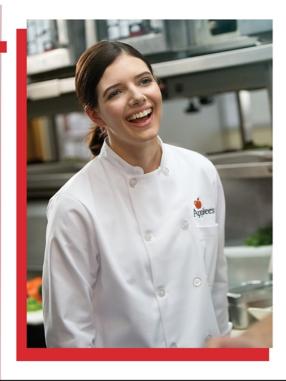
Investing heavily to enable brand initiatives

- Tabletop device evolution
- Enhanced website and App functionality
- Carside arrival notification
- Carside hand-held transacting
- Modernizing POS









## Applebee's Culinary Innovation

- New Chief Culinary Officer
- Broadly appealing/mainstream flavors and recipes
- Embrace variety (something for everyone)
- Restore abundant & indulgent value
- Guest-driven, ops-validated innovation
  - Address quality and value gaps





#### World-Class Marketing

- New Chief Marketing Officer
- Buzzworthy promotional calendar
- Disciplined testing & validation
- Refined media strategy
  - Right target + right programming + right message
- Distinctive brand voice and personality













#### AYCE RIBLETS & TENDERS

Keep It Comin'





#### VIDEO CALL Keep it Comin'





#### AYCE RIBLETS & TENDERS

It's All Coming Back To Me





#### VIDEO CALL It's All coming back to me





#### \$7.99 HANDCRAFTED BURGERS

Brunch Burger Quesadilla Burger Whisky Bacon Burger





#### VIDEO CALL

Brunch Burger Quesadilla Burger Whisky Bacon Burger





## Alcohol 15% of Sales









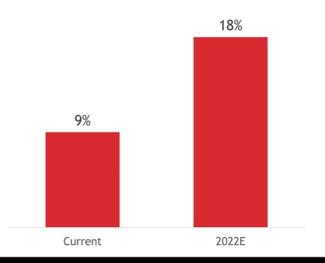




#### Off-Premise Relevance

#### TO-GO % OF SALES

- · New Vice President, Off-Premise
- · Growth engine, highly incremental
- Ongoing optimization (technology, packaging, service)
- Best-positioned brand in CDR
- Actively implementing delivery







Source: Internal Company data and projections

#### Applebee's To-Go

## Get Outta My Dreams





#### VIDEO CALL get outta my dreams





#### Applebee's To-Go

## Come To My Window



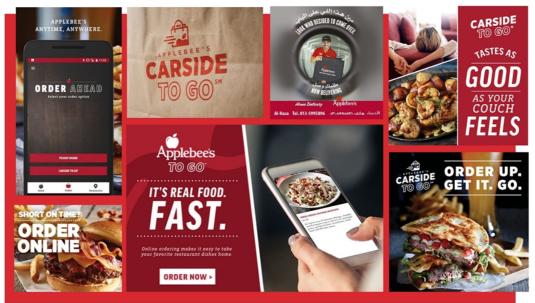


# VIDEO CALL come to my window





## Growing Our Off-Premise Business



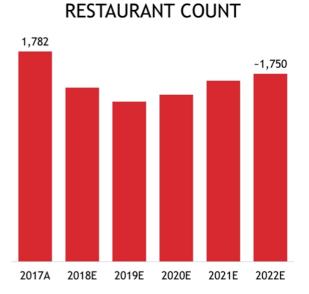




#### Strong Asset Base



- 92% of restaurants remodeled between 2012-2015
- Closing under-performing, non-viable restaurants (~60 in 2018)
- Begin traditional and non-traditional development again in 2020

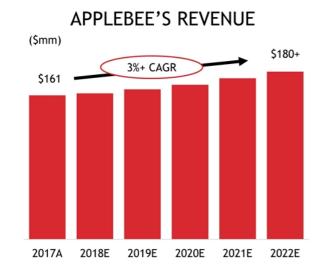


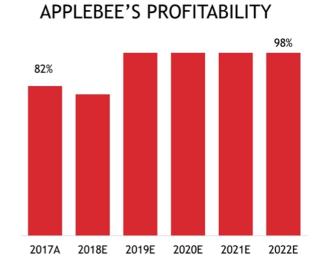




Source: Internal Company data and projections

#### Projected Financial Performance







Source: Internal Company data and projections Note: Excludes advertising revenue



#### Conclusion

OUR GOAL IS TO CREATE SIGNIFICANT VALUE FOR SHAREHOLDERS & FRANCHISEES

- New and talented leadership team
- · Plan to stabilize performance and accelerate growth
- · Continued innovation and restaurant-level execution
- Genuine franchisee partnership, confidence and enthusiasm









**International Strategic** 

Review

- Global Footprint
- Business Overview
- Historical Performance
- International Strategy
- Ingredients for Success





#### Dine Brands: Broad Global Footprint





Source: Company's fiscal 2017 Form 10-K filing

## Global Footprint by Brand



115 restaurants

13 countries

20 franchisees

Key markets include:

- Canada
- Latin America
- Middle East



154 restaurants

15 countries

25 franchisees

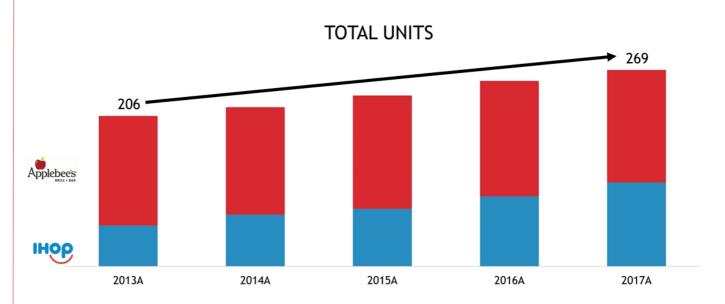
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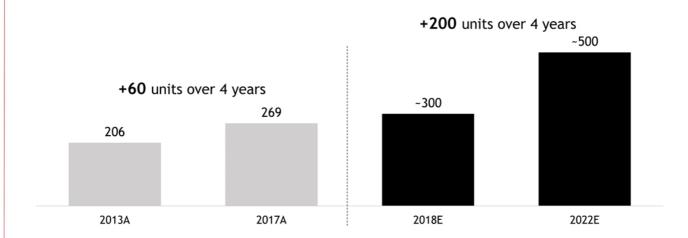




Source: Company's 10-K filings for fiscal years 2013-2017

## **Expected Growth Acceleration**

#### INTERNATIONAL UNITS OVER TIME





Source: Company's 10-K filings for fiscal years 2013 & 2017 and Company projections

#### **IHOP:** Spreading Happiness





Applebee's: There's Always A Reason To Celebrate





## Four Pillar International Strategy





# Brand Evolution Incorporated Throughout the Guest Experience



IHOP CALIFORNIA HERITAGE DESIGN

**CELEBRATION DESIGN** 



#### Place: International IHOP Locations





# Place: International Applebee's Locations





## Key Growth Initiatives

IHOP BANGKOK, THAILAND
Smallest IHOP in the world (750 sq. ft)
Strong sales performance
1st of 10 units in 5 years



#### **SMALLER FOOTPRINTS**

Allow flexibility for our developing international partners

Compelling unit economics in larger cities with restrictive real-estate costs



## Flexibility Extends to New Prototypes

Express / To-Go

#### IHOP Fresh & Go, Panama

- Small 1200 sq. ft. size
- 4th Alpha unit, more under development
- Featuring packaged pre-prepared foods and shortened menu











#### Marketing Strategy

- Established national advertising fund for Applebee's in Mexico and the Middle East
- Developing national advertising fund for IHOP in Canada
- Strategic partnership with 20th Century Fox for IHOP, driving positive sales for locations in Mexico





## Applebee's Mexico: National Advertising Fund





## **International Local Marketing Initiatives**













## Unique International Menu Offerings





#### **Key Target Markets**



MEXICO & .

- Strong affinity for American brands, especially at breakfast
- LATIN AMERICA Many emerging markets with growing disposable income

- MIDDLE EAST The Middle East is the strongest market for dining out globally, as 40% of meals are purchased away from home
  - · Large, stable franchisee in Middle East: Alshaya Group

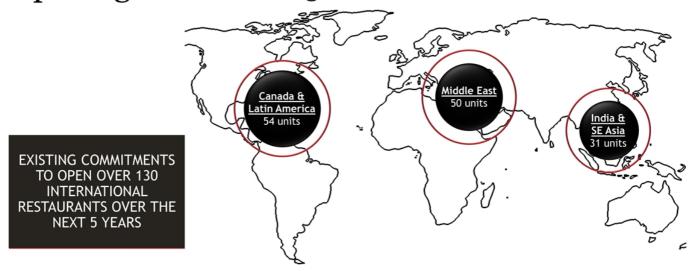
CANADA

- · Developed, diversified economy with high disposable income
- Affinity for classic American brands



Source: Data from Technomic Country Reports

#### Franchisees Have Committed to Meaningful Openings Over Next 5 Years





Source: Internal Company data

#### International Infrastructure Supports Growth Plan

DEDICATED TEAM
MEMBERS IN CANADA,
MEXICO, THE MIDDLE
EAST AND ASIA PACIFIC
OUR TEAM REPRESENTS
11 DIFFERENT
NATIONALITIES
WE ARE FLUENT IN A
COMBINED 10
LANGUAGES

Dedicated and Diverse International Team





#### Conclusion

INTERNATIONAL IS EXPECTED TO SERVE AS A SIGNIFICANT GROWTH ENGINE AND CREATE SUBSTANTIAL VALUE FOR SHAREHOLDERS AND FRANCHISEES

- · Fastest growing part of the business
- Significant existing commitments for new development globally
- Expected to almost double international footprint over next 5 years
- We are excited about the future of the international business



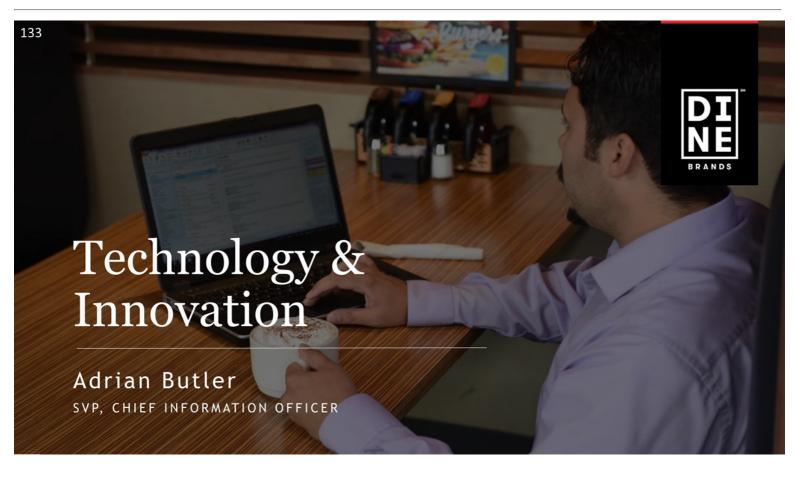






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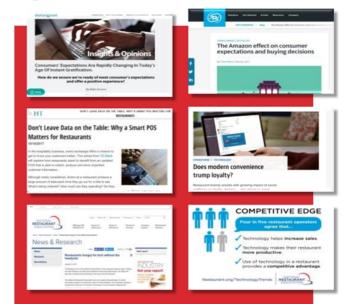
## Technology & Innovation

- Industry Trends
- Progress To Date
- Strategic Approach



#### Guest Expectations Driving Current Trends

- Driving additional traffic through digital platforms
- Expansion of delivery driven by consumer demand
- Manage upward pressure on operational cost (i.e. labor)
- Business Intelligence and Marketing platforms that deliver customized offers





#### 2017 Focus

#### **GUEST CONVENIENCE**

#### **SPEED OF SERVICE**









## REDUCING FRICTION - SEAMLESS INTEGRATED DESIGN







#### AVAILABILITY - OMNI-CHANNEL & OFF-PREMISE / DELIVERY







#### Strategic Approach

ELEVATING GUEST AND TEAM MEMBER EXPERIENCE BOTH IN RESTAURANTS AND OFF-PREMISE THROUGH:



TRANSFORMING THE GUEST EXPERIENCE THROUGH 4D TECHNOLOGY STRATEGY:

DATA

DISCOVERY

DINING

**D**ELIVERY



#### Data: Personalized 1:1 Marketing

#### **DEEP INSIGHTS & RICH ANALYTICS**





Fraud-proof promotions











DISCOVERY

**TECHNOLOGY** 

STRATEGY:

TRANSFORMING THE **GUEST EXPERIENCE** THROUGH 4D

DINING

DELIVERY













(1) Source: Deloitte Digital

# Discovery: Advancing Digital and Mobile Technologies

**NEW .COM PLATFORMS** 



CONNECTED CAR ORDERING AND LOCATION SERVICES



**ROBUST NEW APPS** 





**VOICE ORDERING** 



TRANSFORMING THE GUEST EXPERIENCE THROUGH 4D TECHNOLOGY STRATEGY:

DATA

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DELIVERY



#### Dining: Modernizing In-Restaurant Technology

SPEED OF SERVICE (SERVER TABLETS)



**GUEST WiFi** 

TABLE SIDE PAYMENT



**MODERNIZED POS** 







KITCHEN DISPLAY

SYSTEM (KDS)











TRANSFORMING THE **GUEST EXPERIENCE** THROUGH 4D **TECHNOLOGY** STRATEGY:

DATA

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# Delivery: Collaboration with Leading Providers

WORKING WITH LEADING DELIVERY PROVIDERS



INTEGRATED WITH MOBILE APP





**ONLINE ORDERING** 



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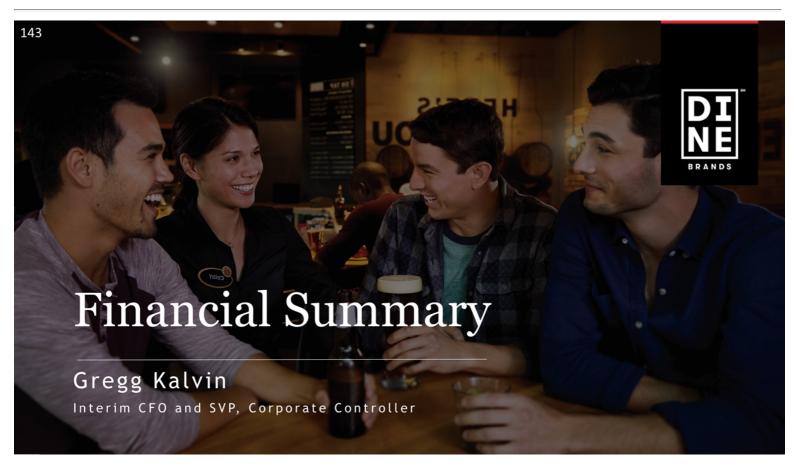
### Conclusion

OUR AIM IS TO CREATE A UNIQUE AND INNOVATIVE PERSONALIZED EXPERIENCE FOR OUR GUESTS, WHEREVER AND WHENEVER THEY WANT

- Utilizing data and analytics to better serve our guests
- Leveraging technology to enhance the guest and team member experience
- Facilitating broader access to brands through web, mobile, voice ordering, car, etc...
- Building an omni-channel approach so guests can access our brands on their terms



Technology & Innovation



## **Financial Summary**







- Projected Financial Performance
- Significant Margin Improvement Opportunity
- Tax Implications
- Cash Flow Generation
- Capital Allocation Priorities
- Shareholder Growth Algorithm





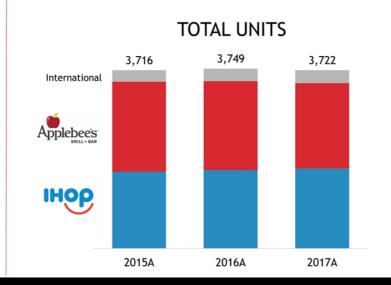
### Commitment to Financial Success

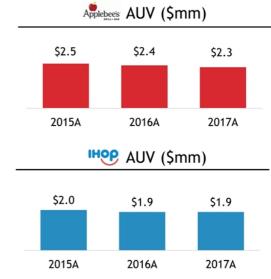
- · We are implementing a plan to return to growth at both brands
- We continue to pursue cost optimization opportunities
- · We expect to generate substantial cash flow and earnings going forward
- We are committed to making the necessary investments to further strengthen the business for the long-term
- · We are excited about the future

OUR GOAL IS TO CREATE SIGNIFICANT FUTURE VALUE FOR SHAREHOLDERS



# Historical Financial Performance: Unit Count & AUV

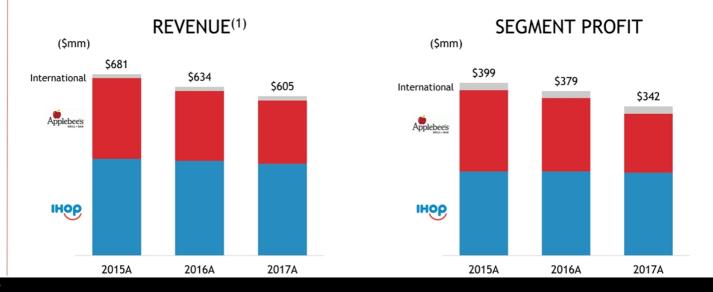






Source: Company's Form 10-K filings for fiscal years 2015-2017 and internal Company data

# Historical Financial Performance: Revenue & Segment Profit



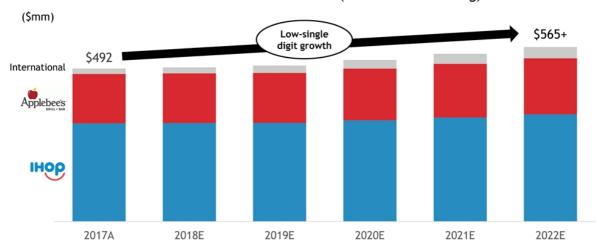


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1) Includes IHOP domestic advertising revenue. IHOP international advertising revenue and Applebee's international advertising revenue.

# Projected Financial Performance: Revenue

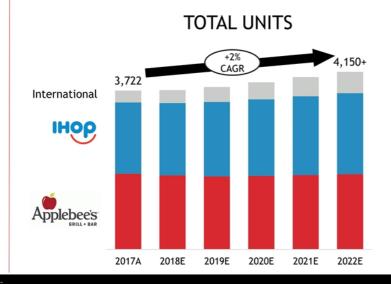
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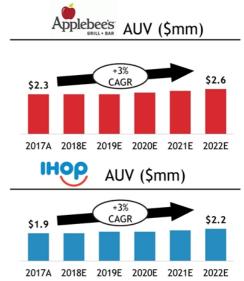




Source: Company's fiscal 2017 Form 10-K filings, internal Company data and projections

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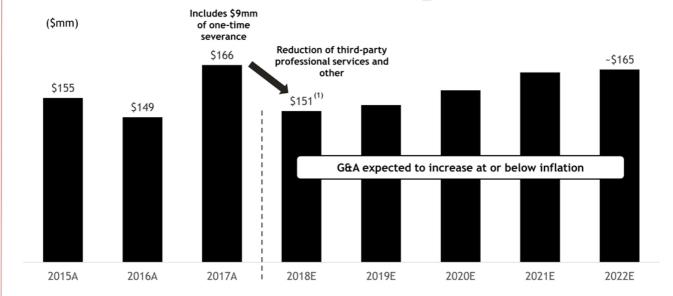






Source: Company's fiscal 2017 Form 10-K filings, internal Company data and projections Calculation of percentages may be subject to rounding of average unit volumes

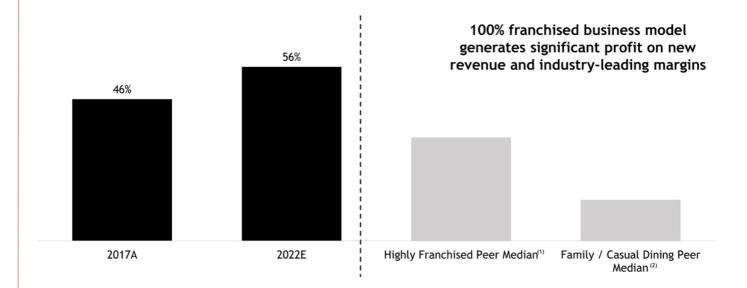
# General & Administrative Expense





Source: Company's Form 10-K filings for fiscal years 2015-2017 and Company projections (1) Based on midpoint of 2018 guidance.

# Significant Margin Improvement





Source: FactSet, Company's fiscal 2017 Form 10-K filing and Company projections. Note: Excludes advertising revenue

See Appendix for reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measures

"Highly Franchised peers include Denny's, Dominos, Dunkin', Restaurant Brands International, Wendy's, Sonic, Jack in the Box and Papa John's.

### Tax Implications

Blended Tax Rate

40%

~26%

Additional Cash Generated

~\$15mm in 2018

WE EXPECT TO UTILIZE ADDITIONAL CASH TO:

INVEST IN EXISTING BRANDS

OPPORTUNISTICALLY REPURCHASE SHARES

AND POTENTIALLY PURSUE NEW SCALE OPPORTUNITIES



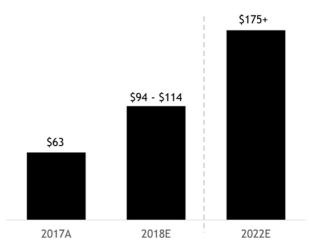
Source: Internal Company data and projections

### Substantial Cash Flow Generation

- Investment to drive growth at both brands
- Attractive capital return to shareholders
- · Minimal capex requirements

FULLY-FRANCHISED AND ASSET-LITE MODEL GENERATES SUBSTANTIAL ADJUSTED FREE CASH FLOW







Source: Company's fiscal 2017 Form 10-K filling and Company's projections
(1) See appendix for recognitistics of the Company's cash provided by operating activities to adjusted free cash fi

## Capital Allocation Priorities



- Invest in Existing Brands
- Dividends
- Repurchase Shares
- Manage Long-Term Debt
- Scalable Platform



### **Invest in Existing Brands**



- Culinary innovation to enhance the guest experience
- Technology to create more ways for consumers to access our brands
- New growth platforms (e.g., To-Go and new formats)
- · Rigorous quantitative analysis in insights and analytics
- Establishing more responsibility and accountability at the brand level
- Reassigning key functions to create greater efficiency for both brands

Shifting investment into the brands from corporate

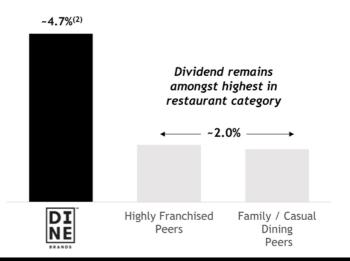


### Dividends

- Quarterly cash dividend of \$0.63 per share in Q1 2018 (\$2.52 per share annualized)
- Payout ratio of ~44%<sup>(1)</sup>
- Opportunity for meaningful share repurchases

RETURNING CAPITAL TO SHAREHOLDERS REMAINS A TOP PRIORITY

#### DIVIDEND YIELD



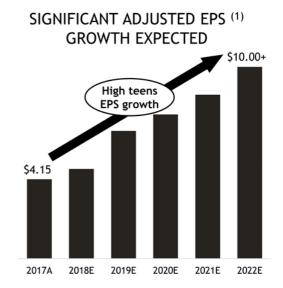


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Based on an approximate mid-point of 2018 guidance for adjusted free cash flow of \$104 million
 Assumes a common stock price of \$54

### Repurchase Shares

- Committed to best-in-class capital returns to shareholders
- Reduced dividend provides opportunity for meaningful share repurchases
- Continuously evaluate timing and attractiveness of share repurchases





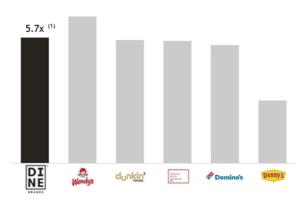
(1) See Appendix for reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measures

### Manage Long-Term Debt



LEVERAGE IN-LINE WITH FRANCHISED PEERS - REFINANCING OPPORTUNITY

LTM Debt / EBITDA



Dine Brands capital structure supported by strong, predictable cash flow from franchise model

- \$1.3 billion of 4.277% Fixed Rate Senior Notes last refinanced in 2014
- Make-whole goes away in September 2018, creating an opportunity to refinance debt to increase flexibility



Source: Wall Street research and company filing: (1)As of 12/31/17.

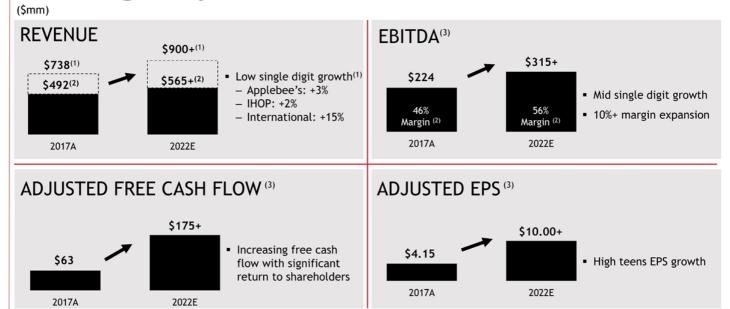
### 2018 Guidance

	Guidance (\$mm)
Domestic Same Restaurant Sales	
Applebee's	0% - 3%
IHOP	0% - 3%
Gross Development (Global)	
Applebee's	10 - 15
IHOP	85 - 100
Closures (Global)	
Applebee's	60 - 80
IHOP	30 - 40
Franchise Segment Profit (mm)	\$289 - \$307
Rental and Financing Segment Profit (mm)	~\$37
Consolidated G&A (mm)	\$147 - \$156
Cash Interest Expense (mm)	~\$58
Income Tax Rate	~ 26%
Adjusted Free Cash Flow (mm) (1)	\$94 - \$114
GAAP EPS	\$4.31 - \$4.61
Adjusted EPS (1)	\$4.95 - \$5.25



Source: Company's earnings release issued on February 20, 2018

# Strong Projected Financial Performance





Source: Company's fiscal 2017 Form 10-K filings and Company projections.

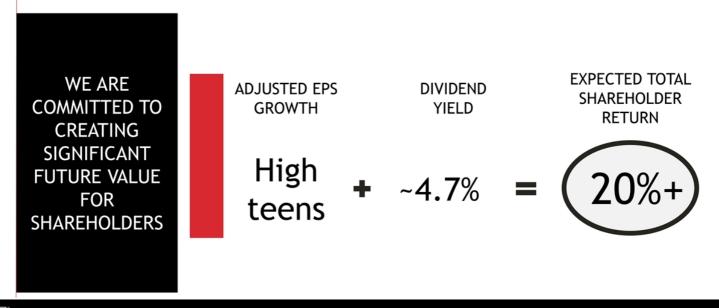
(1) Includes IHOP and Applebee's advertising revenue

(2) Excludes advertising revenue

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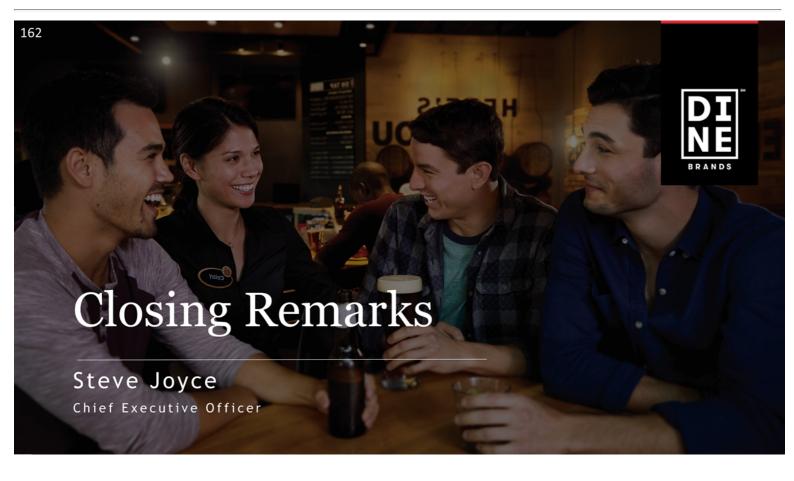
Financial Summary

## Projected Annual Shareholder Growth Algorithm





Source: Internal Company data and projections











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FEBRUARY 21, 2018



# Appendix: Adjusted Free Cash Flow

Adjusted free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure. Reconciliation of the cash provided by operating activities to adjusted free cash flow is as follows:

(\$ in 000s)		
	2016	2017
Cash flows provided by operating activities	\$118,110	\$65,733
Receipts from notes and equipment contracts receivable	\$10,036	\$10,614
Additions to property and equipment	(\$5,637)	(\$13,370)
Adjusted free cash flow	\$122,509	\$62,977

#### 2018 Adjusted Free Cash Flow (Non-GAAP) Guidance Table

	(In millions)
Cash flows from operations	\$100 - 120
Approximate net receipts from notes and equipment contracts receivable	10
Approximate capital expenditures	(16)
Adjusted free cash flow (Non-GAAP)	\$94 - 114



## Appendix: Adjusted Earnings per Share

Adjusted earnings per share is a non-GAAP financial measure. Reconciliation of net income available to common stockholders to the diluted net income available to common stockholders, as adjusted, is as follows:

#### 2017 Net Income Available to Common Stockholders

Net income (loss) available to common stockholders, as reported	(\$18.28)
Impairment of goodwill and intagible assets	\$26.25
Executive seperation costs	\$0.31
Kansas City Support Center consolidation costs	-
Amortization of intangible assets	\$0.35
Closure and other impairment charges	\$0.14
Non-cash interest expense	\$0.12
Loss (gain) on disposition of assets	(\$0.22)
Income tax adjustments	(\$4.07)
Net income alllocated to unvested participating restricted stock	(\$0.46)
Rounding	\$0.01
Diluted net income available to common stockholders per share as adjusted	\$4.15

#### 2018 Adjusted earnings per diluted share (Non-GAAP) Guidance Table

Adjusted earnings per diluted share (Non-GAAP)	\$4,95-\$5,25
Income tax provision for above adjustments at 26%	(0.23)
Non-cash interest expense	0.20
Closure and impairment charges	0.10
Amortization of intangible assets	0.57
GAAP earnings per diluted share	\$4.31-\$4.61



# Appendix: EBITDA

Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP income before taxes to EBITDA

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	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Income Before Taxes	\$ 153.1	\$ (425.4)
Interest Expense	73.7	72.3
Depreciation & Amortization	30.6	30.6
Impairment & Closure Costs	2.6	535.6
Stock-Based Compensation	10.9	10.8
Non-Recurring Cash Separation Costs	-	5.9
Loss (Gain) on Sale of Assets	3.3	(6.2)
Other	1.0	0.7
EBITDA	\$ 275.2	\$ 224.3
Total Revenues	\$ 634.0	\$ 604.8
Less Advertising Revenues	(111.3)	(113.2)
	\$ 522.7	\$ 491.6
EBITDA Margin	53%	46%



Definitions of all components used in calculating the above ratios are found in the Base Indenture and the related Series 2014-1 Supplement to the Base Indenture, dated September 30, 2014, filed as Exhibits 4.1 and 4.2, respectively, to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 3, 2014.