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In addition to the results provided in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") throughout this presentation the company has provided non-GAAP financial measures, which present results on a basis adjusted for certain items. The company uses these non-GAAP financial measures for business planning purposes and in measuring its performance relative to that of its competitors. The company believes that these non-GAAP financial measures are useful financial metrics to assess its operating performance from period-to-period by excluding certain items that the company believes are not representative of its core business. These non-GAAP financial measures are not intended to replace, and should not be considered superior to, the presentation of the company's financial results in accordance with GAAP. The use of the non-GAAP financial measures terms may differ from similar measures reported by other companies and may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures. These non-GAAP financial measures are reconciled from the respective measures under GAAP in the appendix below.

The company is not able to provide a reconciliation of the company's non-GAAP financial guidance to the corresponding GAAP measures without unreasonable effort because of the inherent difficulty in forecasting and quantifying certain amounts necessary for such a reconciliation such as certain non-cash, nonrecurring or other items that are included in net income and EBITDA as well as the related tax impacts of these items and asset dispositions / acquisitions and changes in foreign currency exchange rates that are included in cash flow, due to the uncertainty and variability of the nature and amount of these future charges and costs.

Hillman: Overview



Who We Are

- The leading distributor of hardware and home improvement products, personal protective equipment and robotic kiosk technologies
- Long-standing strategic partnerships with winning retailers across North America: Home Depot, Lowes, Walmart, Tractor Supply, and ACE Hardware
- The predominance of sales come from Hillman-owned brands
- Highly attractive ~\$6 billion direct addressable market with strong secular tailwinds
- Hillman's 1,100 person field sales and service team provide highly complex logistics, inventory, category management and differentiated in-store merchandising
- ~4,200 non-union employees across corporate HQ, 22 North American distribution centers, and Taiwan sourcing office
- Founded in 1964; HQ in Cincinnati, Ohio

By The Numbers				
~20 billion Fasteners Sold per Year	~400 million Pairs of Gloves Sold per Year	~125 million Keys Duplicated per Year		
~112,000 SKUs Managed	~42,000 Store Direct Locations	~35,000 Kiosks in Retail Locations		
#1 Position Across Core Categories	10% Long-Term Historical Sales CAGR	56 Years Sales Growth in 57-Year History		
\$1.4 billion 2021 Sales	14.4% CAGR 2017-2021 Adj. EBITDA Growth	14.5% 2021 Adj. EBITDA Margin		

Notes:

Figures may not tie due to rounding and corporate eliminations.

Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP measure. Please see page 17 for a reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to Net Income. Operational metrics based on 2020 management estimates.

Primary Product Categories



Hardware Solutions

Protective Solutions

Robotics & Digital Solutions

#1 in Segment

Fasteners & Specialty







Picture Hanging







Construction Fasteners





Builders Hardware & Metal Shapes





#1 in Segment

Work Gear





Gloves





Safety / PPE









#1 in Segment







Personalized Tags











Representative Top Customers











Source: Third party industry report.

Landscape & Hillman's Response



2021/2022 Landscape

Supply chain challenges:

- Lead times from Asia doubled (up to 250-day lead times)
- Container rates from Asia were 3-4x historical rates for 2021
- Contracted container rates from Asia were 2x 2021's price for 2022

Inventory

- Invested \$100 million into inventory during 2021
- Ended 2021 with \$140 million more inventory than anticipated

Costs:

- Annual costs increased \$175 million during 2021
- Expected to increase another \$50 million during 2022

Highlights & Response

Pricing:

- Finalized third price increase in March 2022 to cover \$175 million of inflation-related costs
- A fourth pricing increase is expected to be implemented in Summer 2022

Fill Rates:

 Maintained industry leading average fill rates of +94% during the quarter

New Business Wins:

- Secured new regional fastener customer in the Farm and Ranch channel
- Launched fasteners for the first time at a major retail partners
- Hillman's competitive moat is strong, and the model is working
- Positioned for continued new business momentum

Quarterly Financial Performance



Top & Bottom Line Performance



Performance by Product Category

- Q1 2022 vs Q1 2021
 - Net sales increased +6.4%
 - Hardware (HS): +13.6%
 - Protective (PS): (8.6)%
 - Robotics and Digital (RDS) +10.6%
 - Canada 0.9%
 - Adj. EBITDA decreased (7.9)%
 - Adj. EBITDA as percentage of Net Sales contracted (190) basis points
 - Margin pressure resulting from dollar-for-dollar cost increases
 - Higher sales volume and margins of PPE sales in comparable period
- Q1 2022 vs Q1 2019 (Pre-COVID)
 - Net sales increased +26.2%
 - Adjusted EBITDA +14.4%

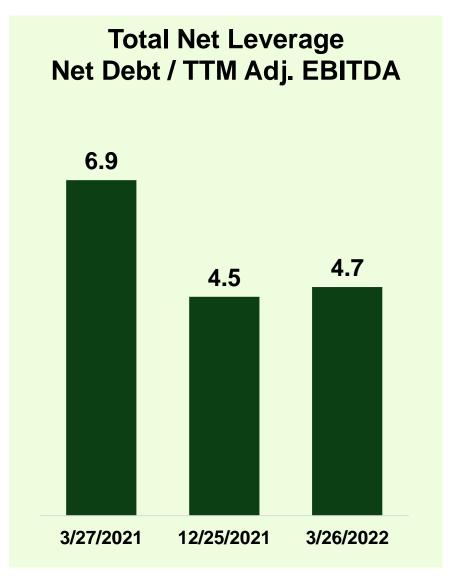
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Capital Structure



Supports Growth & Enables Industry Leading Fill Rates

\$ millions	March 26, 2022
ABL Revolver (\$250 million)	\$120.0
Term Note	\$848.9
Finance Leases	\$2.3
Total Debt	\$971.1
Cash	\$19.4
Net Debt	\$951.8
TTM Adjusted EBITDA	\$203.6
Net Debt/ TTM Adjusted EBITDA	4.7 x



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2022 Outlook & Guidance



2022 Full Year Guidance - Reiterated

	2021 Actuals	First Half 2022	Second Half 2022	2022 Guidance
Revenues	\$1,426.0	+ High-Single Digits	+ High-Single Digits	\$1,500- \$1,600
Adjusted EBITDA	\$207.4	- Mid-Single Digits	+ Mid-Teens	\$207 to \$227
Free Cash Flow				\$120 to \$130

2022 Assumptions (unchanged from Q4 2021):

Interest Expense: \$45-\$50 million

Cash Interest: \$35-\$45 million

Income Tax: Modest cash taxpayer in 2022; ~25% cash taxpayer in 2023

Capital expenditures: \$60-\$70 million

Fully diluted shares outstanding: ~196 million

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Key Takeaways



Price Increases and New Business Wins Offset Inflation Headwinds

- Successfully implemented third pricing increase in March 2022; currently in negotiations for a fourth price increase to offset an increase in contracted container rates
- Potential for meaningful margin expansion when commodities and shipping normalize
- Convert inventory into cash flow and delever balance sheet throughout 2022
- 1,100-member distribution (sales and service) provide unmatched competitive moat
- Continue to gain shelf space with customers
- Repair, Remodel and Maintenance industry has meaningful long-term tailwinds

Long-term Annual Growth Targets (Organic):

Revenue Growth: +6% & Adj. EBITDA Growth: +10%

Long-term Annual Growth Targets (incl. Acquisitions):

Revenue Growth: +10% & Adj. EBITDA Growth: +15%

Investment Highlights





Indispensable partner embedded with winning retailers





Customers love us, trust us and rely on us



Market and innovation leader across multiple categories



Large, predictable, growing and resilient end markets



Significant runway for incremental growth: Organic + M&A





Management team with proven operational and M&A expertise



Strong financial profile with 57-year track record



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Appendix

Performance by Product Category



Hardware & Protective	Q1 2021	Q1 2022	Δ	
For Quarter Ended	3/27/2021	3/26/2022		Comments
Revenues	\$250,929	\$266,415	6.2%	Price increases + flat demand (HS) and lower PPE sales (PS)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$29,032	\$20,584	(29.1)%	Timing of price increase; lower PPE sales; inflation
Margin	11.6%	7.7%	(390) bps	

Robotics & Digital	Q1 2021	Q1 2022	Δ	
For Quarter Ended	3/27/2021	3/26/2022		Comments
Revenues	\$55,879	\$61,808	10.6%	Installed base + COVID comps
Adjusted EBITDA	\$17,417	\$18,873	8.4%	Sales growth + investments
Margin	31.2%	30.5%	(70) bps	

Canada	Q1 2021	Q1 2022	Δ	
For Quarter Ended	3/27/2021	3/26/2022		Comments
Revenues	\$34,473	\$34,790	0.9%	Price increases + soft demand
Adjusted EBITDA	\$1,357	\$4,554	235.6%	Stronger CAD + product mix
Margin	3.9%	13.1%	920 bps	

Consolidated	Q1 2021	Q1 2022	Δ
For Quarter Ended	3/27/2021	3/26/2022	
Revenues	\$341,281	\$363,013	6.4%
Adjusted EBITDA	\$47,806	\$44,011	(7.9)%
Margin (Rev/Adj. EBITDA)	14.0%	12.1%	(190) bps

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Revenue by Business Segment



	Hardware & Protective	Robotics & Digital	Canada	Revenue
For Quarter Ended March 26,	2022			
Fastening and Hardware	\$189,307	\$—	\$33,659	\$222,966
Personal protective	77,108	_	442	77,550
Keys and key accessories	_	48,376	674	49,050
Engraving and Resharp	-	13,432	15	13,447
Consolidated	\$266,415	\$61,808	\$34,790	\$363,013

	Hardware & Protective	Robotics & Digital	Canada	Revenue
For Quarter Ended March 27,	2021			
Fastening and Hardware	\$166,602	\$—	\$34,091	\$200,693
Personal protective	84,327	_	13	84,340
Keys and key accessories	-	42,094	361	42,455
Engraving and Resharp	-	13,785	8	13,793
Consolidated	\$250,929	\$55,879	\$34,473	\$341,281

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Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation



For Period Ending	March 27, 2021	March 26, 2022
Net loss	\$(8,970)	\$(1,887)
Income tax benefit	(6,653)	(892)
Interest expense, net	19,019	11,628
Interest expense on junior subordinated debentures	3,152	_
Investment income on trust common securities	(95)	_
Depreciation	16,341	13,254
Amortization	14,909	15,521
Mark-to-market adjustment on interest rate swaps	(673)	_
EBITDA	\$37,030	\$37,624
Stock compensation expense	1,741	6,018
Other (1)	9,035	369
Adjusted EBITDA	\$47,806	\$44,011

1. Other includes certain litigation charges, acquisition and integration expense, gain or loss on revaluation of contingent consideration, restructuring expense, and pre-merger management fees. The thirteen weeks ended March 27, 2021 include \$4.8 million of acquisition and integration expenses related to historical acquisitions, including the merger with Landcadia Holdings III, Inc. and \$4.0 million in legal fees associated with our litigation with KeyMe, Inc.

Segment Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliations



Thirteen Weeks Ended March 27, 2021	HPS	RDS	Canada	Consolidated
Operating Income (Loss)	\$6,050	\$154	\$(424)	\$5,780
Depreciation & Amortization	17,123	12,381	1,746	31,250
Stock Compensation Expense	1,504	237	<u> </u>	1,741
Other	4,355	4,645	35	9,035
Adjusted EBITDA	\$29,032	\$17,417	\$1,357	\$47,806

Thirteen Weeks Ended March 26, 2022	HPS	RDS	Canada	Consolidated
Operating Income (Loss)	\$(2,396)	\$7,855	\$3,390	\$8,849
Depreciation & Amortization	17,057	10,554	1,164	28,775
Stock Compensation Expense	5,188	830	_	6,018
Other	735	(366)	_	369
Adjusted EBITDA	\$20,584	\$18,873	\$4,554	\$44,011