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# **SECTION 1: COMPANY OVERVIEW**

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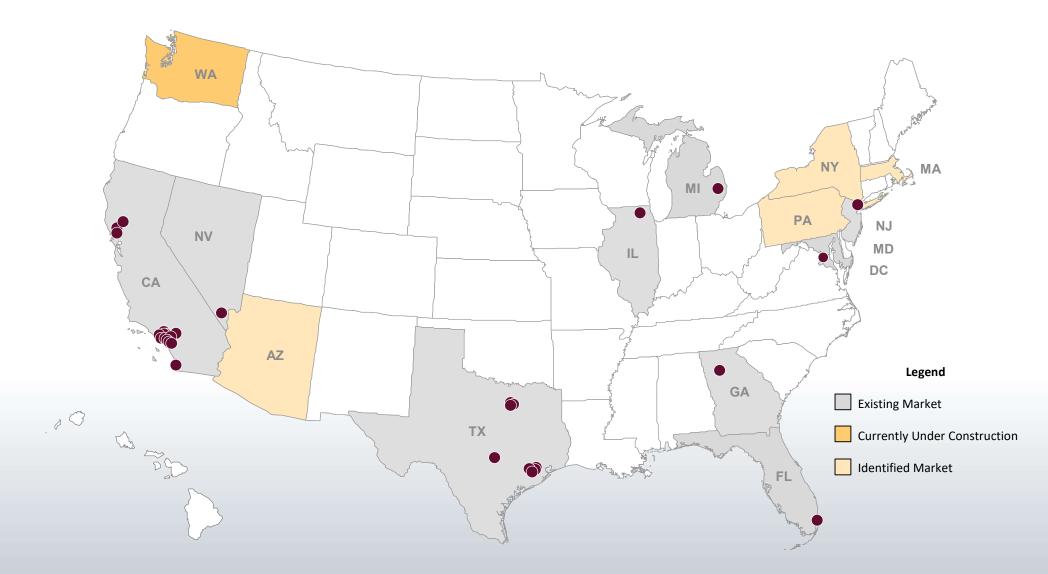


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## SYSTEM FOOTPRINT AND ANTICIPATED NEW MARKETS

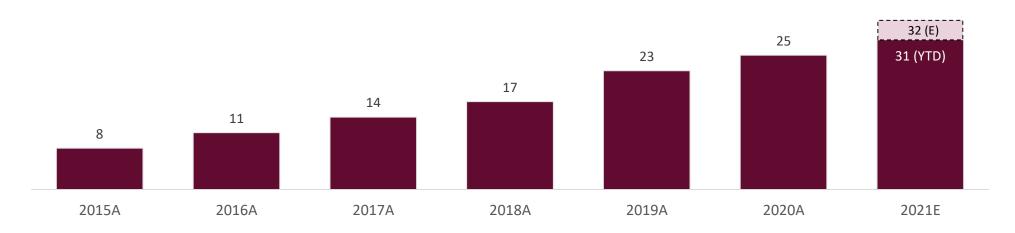
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## **FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT**

#### HISTORICAL UNIT GROWTH



#### **RECENT FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE**

(US\$ in thousands)	Fiscal Year 2019	Fiscal Year 2020	FY20 Q2	FY21 Q2
Average Unit Volumes	\$3,498	\$1,942	n.a.	n.a.
Comparable Restaurant Sales Growth	6.2%	(37.8)%	10.8%	(60.2)%
Sales	\$64,245	\$45,168	\$19,388	\$9,082
Operating Income (Loss)	\$1,661	\$(16,498)	\$(240)	\$(3,802)
Net Income (Loss)	\$1,456	\$(17,358)	\$(133)	\$(3,881)
Restaurant-Level Operating Profit (Loss) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$12,945	(\$733)	\$3,875	\$(1,345)
Restaurant-Level Operating Profit (Loss) Margin	(1) 20.1%	(1.6)%	20.0%	(14.8)%
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>	\$5,195	\$(12,995)	\$980	\$(4,696)
Adjusted EBITDA margin <sup>(1)</sup>	8.1%	(28.8%)	5.1%	(51.7)%



(1) Non-GAAP: See Appendix B for Reconciliation

# SECTION 2: GROWTH AND NEAR-TERM STRATEGY

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#### **NEW UNIT PIPELINE**

#### **ROBUST PIPELINE FOR FISCAL YEARS 21 AND 22**

#### UNDER CONSTRUCTION

• Bellevue, WA

#### **EXECUTED LEASES**

- Chandler, AZ
- Camelback Colonnade, AZ
- Stonestown Galleria, San Francisco, CA
- Oakbrook, IL
- Watertown, MA

#### PLANNED MARKETS AND LEASES UNDER NEGOTIATION

- Alhambra, CA
- Oxnard, CA
- Roseville, CA
- San Diego, CA
- San Francisco, CA
- Mizner Park, FL
- Orlando, FL
- Buckhead, GA

- Gwinnett, GA
- Naperville, IL
- Jersey City, NJ
- Long Island, NY
- Westchester, NY
- Philadelphia, PA
- Fort Worth, TX
- San Antonio, TX



#### **OFF-PREMISES**

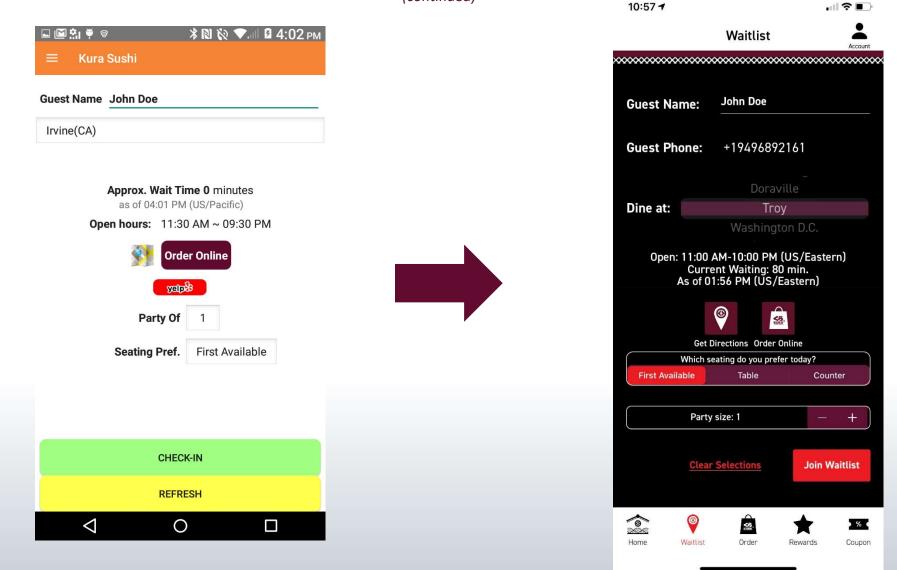
	GH Launch				Square Launch			CA Reopening
	4Q20		1Q21			2Q21		3Q21
	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March
Grubhub	\$35K	\$85K	\$120K	\$110K	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Square	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50K	\$540K	\$520K	\$430K	\$460K
Total	\$330K	\$400K	\$430K	\$470K	\$860K	\$860	\$650	\$680K
Sales Mix	15.0%	14.2%	12.6%	15.2%	30.8%	27.3%	20.9%	13.0%





# **OFF-PREMISES**

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# **CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**

(in thousands, except per share amounts; unaudited)

	Three Months Ended			ded	Six Months Ended			
	Fel	oruary 28, 2021		February 29, 2020		February 28, 2021		February 29, 2020
Sales	\$	9,082	\$	19,388	\$	18,496	\$	36,828
Restaurant operating costs:								
Food and beverage costs		3,175		6,106		6,228		11,799
Labor and related costs		2,061		6,144		6,421		11,785
Occupancy and related expenses		1,627		1,637		3,317		3,076
Depreciation and amortization expenses		1,002		712		1,929		1,375
Other costs		2,051		2,210		4,130		4,257
Total restaurant operating costs		9,916		16,809		22,025		32,292
General and administrative expenses		2,874		2,783		6,395		6,109
Depreciation and amortization expenses		94		36		169		58
Total operating expenses		12,884		19,628		28,589		38,459
Operating loss		(3,802)		(240)		(10,093)		(1,631)
Other expense (income):								
Interest expense		53		33		87		67
Interest income		(3)		(170)		(7)		(367)
Loss before income taxes		(3,852)		(103)		(10,173)		(1,331)
Income tax expense		29		30		58		26
Net loss	\$	(3,881)	\$	(133)	\$	(10,231)	\$	(1,357)
Net loss per Class A and Class B shares								
Basic	<u>\$</u>	(0.46)	\$	(0.02)	\$	(1.22)	\$	(0.16)
Diluted	\$	(0.46)	\$	(0.02)	\$	(1.22)	\$	(0.16)
Weighted average Class A and Class B shares outstanding								
Basic		8,379		8,336		8,363		8,335
Diluted		8,379		8,336		8,363		8,335



### SELECTED BALANCE SHEET DATA AND SELECTED OPERATING DATA

(in thousands, except restaurants and percentages; unaudited)

	ary 28, )21	 August 31, 2020
Selected Balance Sheet Data:		
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	\$ 2,271	\$ 9,259
Total assets	\$ 118,409	\$ 118,379
Loan from affiliate	\$ 12,000	—
Total liabilities	\$ 81,986	\$ 72,666
Total stockholders' equity	\$ 36,423	\$ 45,713

	Three Months Ended			Six Months Ende			led	
		ruary 28, 2021		February 29, 2020		February 28, 2021		February 29, 2020
Selected Operating Data:								
Restaurants at the end of period		30		25		30		25
Comparable restaurant sales performance		(60.2)%		10.8%		(55.2)%		8.9%
EBITDA	\$	(2,706)	\$	508	\$	(7,995)	\$	(198)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	(4,696)	\$	980	\$	(8,961)	\$	638
Adjusted EBITDA margin		(51.7)%		5.1%		(48.4)%		1.7%
Operating loss	\$	(3,802)	\$	(240)	\$	(10,093)	\$	(1,631)
Operating loss margin		(41.9)%		(1.2)%		(54.6)%		(4.4)%
Restaurant-level operating (loss) profit	\$	(1,345)	\$	3,875	\$	(2,487)	\$	6,899
Restaurant-level operating (loss) profit margin		(14.8)%		20.0%		(13.4)%		18.7%



# **APPENDIX A: DEFINITIONS**

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#### **KEY FINANCIAL DEFINITIONS**

• **EBITDA,** a non-GAAP measure, is defined as net income (loss) before interest, income taxes and depreciation and amortization.

• Adjusted EBITDA, a non-GAAP measure, is defined as EBITDA plus stock-based compensation expense, non-cash lease expense, asset disposals, closure costs and restaurant impairments, as well as certain items that the Company believes are not indicative of its core operating results. Adjusted EBITDA margin is defined as adjusted EBITDA divided by sales.

• Average Unit Volumes ("AUVs") consist of the average annual sales of all restaurants that have been open for 18 months or longer at the end of the fiscal year presented. AUVs are calculated by dividing (x) annual sales for the fiscal year presented for all such restaurants by (y) the total number of restaurants in that base. The Company makes fractional adjustments to sales for restaurants that were not open for the entire fiscal year presented (e.g., a restaurant is closed for renovation) to annualize sales for such period of time. The Company did not make any adjustments for the temporary restaurant closures due to COVID-19.

• **Restaurant-level Operating Profit (Loss),** a non-GAAP measure, is defined as operating income (loss) plus depreciation and amortization; stockbased compensation expense; pre-opening costs and general administrative expenses which are considered normal, recurring, cash operating expenses and are essential to supporting the development and operations of our restaurants; non-cash lease expense; asset disposals, closure costs and restaurant impairments; less corporate-level stock-based compensation expense recognized within general and administrative expenses. Restaurantlevel Operating Profit margin is defined as restaurant-level operating profit (loss) divided by sales.

• **Comparable Restaurant Sales Growth** refers to the change in year-over-year sales for the comparable restaurant base. The Company include restaurants in the comparable restaurant base that have been in operation for at least 18 months prior to the start of the accounting period presented, including those temporarily closed for renovations during the year. For restaurants that were temporarily closed for renovations during the year, the Company makes fractional adjustments to sales such that sales are annualized in the associated period. Growth in comparable restaurant sales represents the percent change in sales from the same period in the prior year for the comparable restaurant base. The Company did not make any adjustments for the temporary restaurant closures due to COVID-19.



#### **NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES**

• To supplement the condensed financial statements presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), certain financial measures, such as EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA margin, restaurant-level operating profit (loss) and restaurant-level operating profit margin ("Non-GAAP measures") are not recognized under GAAP. These Non-GAAP measures are intended as supplemental measures of our performance that are neither required by, nor presented in accordance with, GAAP. The Company is presenting these Non-GAAP measures because the Company believes that they provide useful information to management and investors regarding certain financial and business trends relating to our financial condition and operating results. However, these measures may not provide a complete understanding of the operating results of the Company as a whole and such measures should be reviewed in conjunction with our GAAP financial results. Additionally, the Company presents restaurant-level operating profit because it excludes the impact of general and administrative expenses which are not incurred at the restaurant-level. The Company also uses restaurant-level operating profit to measure operating performance and returns from opening new restaurants.

• The Company believes that the use of these Non-GAAP measures provides an additional tool for investors to use in evaluating ongoing operating results and trends and in comparing the Company's financial measures with those of comparable companies, which may present similar non-GAAP financial measures to investors. However, you should be aware that restaurant-level operating profit and restaurant-level operating profit margin are financial measures which are not indicative of overall results for the Company, and restaurant-level operating profit and restaurant-level operating profit and restaurant-level operating profit margin do not accrue directly to the benefit of stockholders because of corporate-level expenses excluded from such measures. In addition, you should be aware when evaluating these Non-GAAP measures that in the future the Company may incur expenses similar to those excluded when calculating these measures. The Company's presentation of these measures should not be construed as an inference that our future results will be unaffected by unusual or non-recurring items. Our computation of these Non-GAAP measures may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures computed by other companies, because all companies may not calculate these Non-GAAP measures in the same fashion. Because of these limitations, these Non-GAAP measures should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for performance measures calculated in accordance with GAAP. The Company compensates for these limitations by relying primarily on our GAAP results and using these Non-GAAP measures on a supplemental basis.



# **APPENDIX B: RECONCILIATIONS**

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#### RECONCILIATION OF NET LOSS AND LOSS PER DILUTED SHARE TO ADJUSTED NET LOSS AND ADJUSTED LOSS PER DILUTED SHARE

(in thousands, except loss per share amounts; unaudited)

	Three Months Ended			Six Months Ended				
	Fe	bruary 28, 2021		February 29, 2020		February 28, 2021		February 29, 2020
Net loss	\$	(3,881)	\$	(133)	\$	(10,231)	\$	(1,357)
Executive transition costs <sup>(4)</sup>		—		_		390		_
Employee retention credit <sup>(5)</sup>		(2,635)				(2,635)		
Adjusted net loss	\$	(6,516)	\$	(133)	\$	(12,476)	\$	(1,357)
Net loss per Class A and Class B shares								
Loss per diluted share	\$	(0.46)	\$	(0.02)	\$	(1.22)	\$	(0.16)
Executive transition costs <sup>(4)</sup>		—		—		0.05		—
Employee retention credit <sup>(5)</sup>		(0.32)				(0.32)		_
Adjusted loss per diluted share	\$	(0.78)	\$	(0.02)	\$	(1.49)	\$	(0.16)
Weighted average Class A and Class B shares outstanding								
Diluted shares		8,379		8,336		8,363		8,335
Adjusted diluted shares		8,379		8,336	_	8,363		8,335

(1) Stock-based compensation expense includes non-cash stock-based compensation, which is comprised of restaurant-level stock-based compensation included in other costs in the statements of operations and corporate-level stock-based compensation included in general and administrative expenses in the statements of operations.

<sup>(2)</sup> Non-cash lease expense includes lease expense from the date of possession of our restaurants that did not require cash outlay in the respective periods.

(3) Pre-opening costs consist of labor costs and travel expenses for new employees and trainers during the training period, recruitment fees, legal fees, cash-based lease expenses incurred between the date of possession and opening day of our restaurants, and other related pre-opening costs.

(4) Executive transition costs include severance and search fees associated with the transition of our Chief Financial Officer. The income tax impact of this adjustment was immaterial.

(5) Employee retention credit includes a refundable credit recognized under the CARES Act extension. The income tax impact of this adjustment was immaterial.



#### **RECONCILIATION OF NET LOSS TO EBITDA AND ADJUSTED EBITDA**

(in thousands; unaudited)

	Three Months Ended			Six Months Ended			led	
	February 28,		February 29,		February 28,		February 29,	
		2021		2020		2021		2020
Net loss	\$	(3,881)	\$	(133)	\$	(10,231)	\$	(1,357)
Interest expense (income), net		50		(137)		80		(300)
Income tax expense		29		30		58		26
Depreciation and amortization expenses		1,096		748		2,098		1,433
EBITDA		(2,706)		508		(7,995)		(198)
Stock-based compensation expense <sup>(1)</sup>		309		211		575		332
Non-cash lease expense <sup>(2)</sup>		336		261		704		504
Executive transition costs <sup>(4)</sup>		_		—		390		_
Employee retention credit <sup>(5)</sup>		(2,635)		_		(2,635)		_
Adjusted EBITDA	<u>\$</u>	(4,696)	\$	980	\$	(8,961)	\$	638

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# RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO RESTAURANT-LEVEL OPERATING PROFIT (LOSS)

(in thousands; unaudited)

	Three Months Ended			Six Months Ended				
		February 28, 2021		February 29, 2020		February 28, 2021		February 29, 2020
Operating loss	\$	(3,802)	\$	(240)	\$	(10,093)	\$	(1,631)
Depreciation and amortization expenses		1,096		748		2,098		1,433
Stock-based compensation expense <sup>(1)</sup>		309		211		575		332
Non-cash lease expense <sup>(2)</sup>		336		261		704		504
Pre-opening costs <sup>(3)</sup>		326		303		561		448
Employee retention credit <sup>(5)</sup>		(2,635)		_		(2,635)		_
General and administrative expenses		2,874		2,783		6,395		6,109
Corporate-level stock-based compensation and employee retention credit included in general and administrative expenses		151		(191)		(92)		(296)
Restaurant-level operating (loss) profit	\$	(1,345)	\$	3,875	\$	(2,487)	\$	6,899

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# WEEKLY EXPENDITURE ANALYSIS

Expenditure Bucket	FY20 Q4 (A)	FY21 Q1 (A)	FY21 Q2 (A)	FY21 Q3 – Q4 (E)
Capex	\$400K	\$500K	\$255K	\$250K
G&A <sup>(1)</sup>	\$225K	\$250K	\$255K	\$300 - \$310K
RL Expenditures	\$225K	\$75K	\$100K	-
Total	\$850K	\$825K	\$610K	-



(1) All G&A figures are exclusive of Employee Retention Credits.

# SUMMARY OF STORE OPERATION STATUS

(All dates refer to the beginning of each month)

#### Permitted Operations

		2Q21			3Q21			
		December	January	February	March	April		
California	Indoor	0	0	0	0	16 <sup>(3)</sup>		
Stores (15 units as of	Outdoor + Off –Prem	9	0	12	12	0		
December)	Off-Prem Only	6	15	1	1	0		
	Closed	0	0	2	2	0		
Other Markets	Indoor	12	12(1)	14	15 <sup>(2)</sup>	15		
(13 units as of December)	Outdoor + Off-Prem	0	1	0	0	0		
	Off-Prem Only	1	1	0	0	0		
	Closed	0	0	0	0	0		

- Early December 2020 Texas reduces capacities from 75% to 50%, and CA bans indoor and outdoor dining statewide.
- Late January 2021 CA removes outdoor dining restrictions.
- Late February 2021 the winter storm in Texas forces store closures lasting from several days up to a week. Texas also increases capacities from 50% to 75%.
- Mid-March 2021 CA dining rooms begin reopening over the course of the month at 25% capacity. TX removes all seating capacity restrictions.
- Late March 2021 Orange County increases seating capacities to 50%.
- Early April 2021 Los Angeles County increases seating capacities to 50%.
- Mid-April 2021 All of our CA markets are operating at 50% capacity, with the exception of Sacramento, which remained at 25%.

- (1) Opening of Aventura, FL location.
- (2) Opening of Troy, MI location.
- (3) Opening of Sherman Oaks, CA location.

#### **RECENT TRENDS**

#### **Store Performance**

	November	December	January	February	March <sup>(1)</sup>
Revenue	\$3.1M	\$2.8M	\$3.2M	\$3.1M	\$5.1M
Comp Sales	(53)%	(64)%	(60)%	(57)%	(31)%
CA Comps	(65)%	(82)%	(81)%	(68)%	(50)%
TX Comps	(33)%	(35)%	(28)%	(45)%	(6)%

#### Store Count with Indoor Dining

	November	December	January	February	March	
CA	8	0	0	0	0	
Non-CA	12	12	12	14	15	



(1) March comparisons are made against FY19 to evaluate current performance against pre-pandemic performance.