

**Investor Presentation** November 3, 2021

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# **An Experiential Dining Category Leader**

Culinary forward. First class hospitality. Concepts like no other.



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# **Investment Highlights**

- Experiential dining category leader with diversified growth engines
- Leveraging the Company's differentiation and strong foothold in the off-premise channel to support the business in the COVID-19 environment
- Best-in-class operational execution and industry-leading retention
- Significant and accelerating growth opportunities driving one of the highest expected growth rates in the casual dining industry

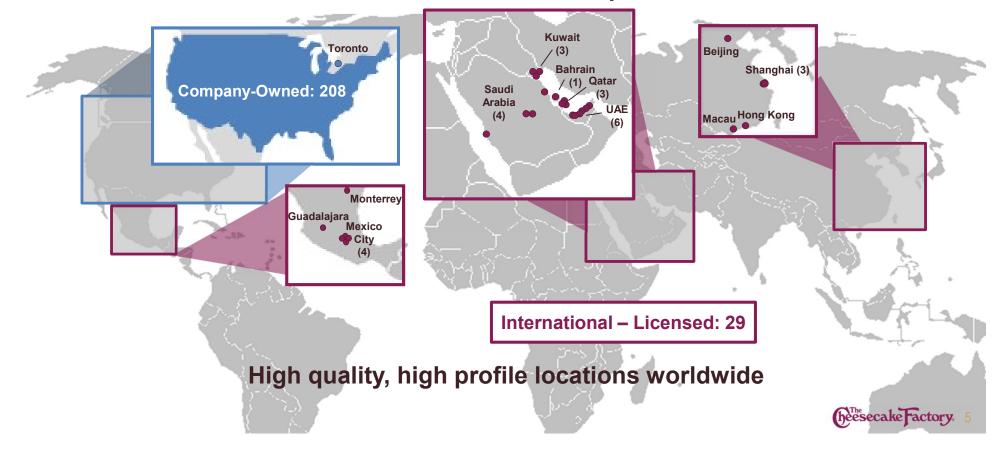




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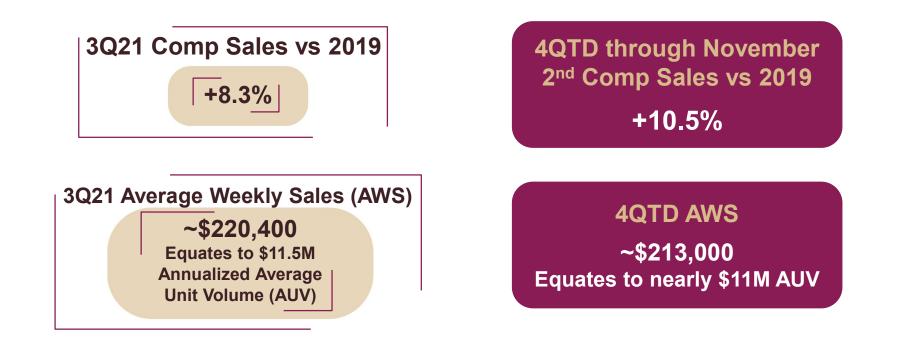
### **The Cheesecake Factory - Global Footprint**

### Opportunity for 300 Domestic Locations Over Time & Continued International Expansion

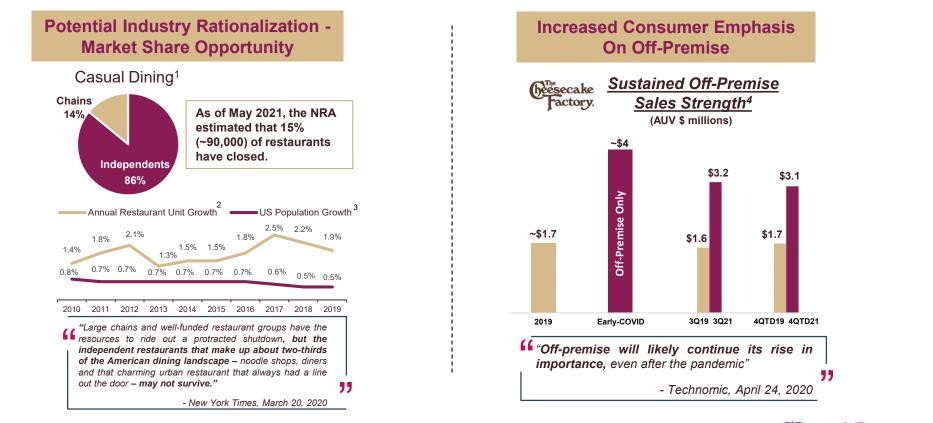


### Driving Strong Pandemic Recovery with Industry-Leading Comparable Sales Growth

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### We Believe Stable, Agile Brands Will Be Best Equipped to Weather Volatility and Thrive Post-COVID



Sources: <sup>1</sup>Morgan Stanley Report April 6, 2020; <sup>2</sup>Bureau of Labor Statistics; <sup>3</sup>U.S. Census; <sup>4</sup>Annualized average unit volumes based on average weekly sales in each period.

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### Filling White Space for an On-Trend, Contemporary Italian Offering



- Potential for 200 domestic locations over time 29 locations in 12 states & Washington D.C. currently
- All dishes handmade from scratch daily
- Serving lunch, dinner, weekend brunch & weekday happy hour
- Average check: \$25 \$30
- 30%+ alcohol mix

Note: Operating metrics pre-COVID-19





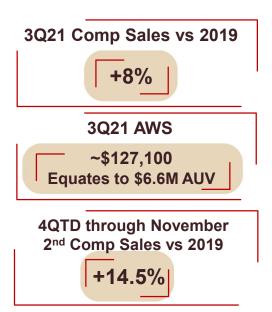




FY19 Comp Sales: 6%

### Driving Strong Pandemic Recovery with Industry-Leading Comparable Sales Growth NORTH

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- Reservation management to drive sales & throughput
- Leveraging buying power and sales/inventory management systems to reduce food costs
- Robust labor management systems
   and analysis to drive productivity
- Leveraging benefits infrastructure and equity plan to attract and retain top talent





\*3Q21 reported results reflect impact of 5 new unit openings year-to-date and other locations that have not yet reached steady-state operational levels.

\*\*Mature locations defined as locations opened 3 years or more at the beginning of 2021, excluding 1 underperforming restaurant in a tourist location significantly impacted by capacity restrictions.

### Fox Restaurant Concepts (FRC) Expected to Serve as an Incubation Engine Innovating Concepts of the Future



### **Diversified Growth Engines Expected to Drive 7% Unit Growth Annually Beginning in FY22**

Diversified multi- concept across	Anticipated Unit Growth Roadmap <sup>1</sup>	Heesecake Factory.		(FRC) <sup>2</sup>
segment, price point,	Target Size (sq. ft.)	7,000 – 10,000	5,000 - 6,500	3,500 – 15,000
occasion,	Average Unit Volume <sup>3</sup>	\$10.7M	~\$7M	Avg. \$5M+
real estate and labor	Sales/sq. ft.	~\$1,000	~\$1,200	~\$1,000
	Target Long-Term Unit Growth	~3%	~20%+	~15% - 20%
	Top-Line Unit Growth Contribution	~3%	~2%	~2%
Leveraging brand	Target Restaurant-Level Margin %	~18%	~18% - 20%	~16% - 18%
power, operational excellence, scale,	Cash Capex Investment	\$8M+	\$3 - \$3.5M	\$500/sq. ft.
supply chain and real estate	Target Cash-on-Cash Return	35%+	25% - 30%	
development	Sales/Investment Ratio	2:1	2:1	
expertise				

1111ustrative example of target returns for new restaurant openings | 2Average unit volume and steady-state restaurant-level margin typically reached after 3 years of operations | 3Average unit volume as of FY19

### We Have Resumed Strong Unit Growth With Impressive Early Results





The Cheesecake Factory Washington D.C.



Blanco Nashville, TN



North Italia Birmingham, AL



North Italia San Antonio, TX



North Italia Miami, FL



Flower Child Atlanta, GA



North Italia Franklin, TN



Blanco Oak Brook, IL



North Italia Gilbert, AZ



Flower Child Gilbert, AZ



The Cheesecake Factory Huntsville, AL



North Italia Orlando, FL



Blanco Denver, CO



Culinary Dropout Denver, CO

As many as 20 additional units planned for 2022

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## The Cheesecake Factory -A Highly Differentiated Concept



### **Integrated** Bakery – The "Cheesecake" Magic

# Industry-Leading Dessent SalesDifferentiated positioning has been a<br/>key sales driver during COVID-13Image: Sale of the sale of the

- Produces over 70 cheesecakes and other baked desserts
- Enables creativity, quality control and supply chain efficiencies



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### Best-in-Class Operational Execution and Industry-Leading Retention

### Average Tenure by Position



table stakes; you need to do it, but it's not sustainable," The ironclad correlation with success? "It was GM retention." – Wally Doolin, Black Box Intelligence\*

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**TO WORK FOR**<sup>®</sup> 2021

8<sup>th</sup> consecutive year

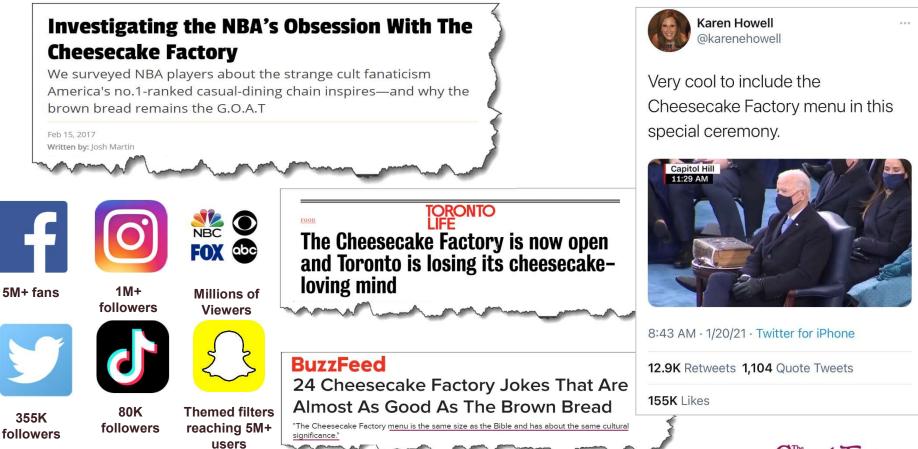
### **Performance During COVID-19 Has Reinforced That The Cheesecake Factory is a Destination**



- FY20 average sales per square foot <u>adjusted for interior</u> <u>capacity restrictions</u> related to the COVID-19 pandemic was \$1,127, a 14% increase over FY19. Reflecting the impact of COVID-19 dining restrictions, FY20 average sales per productive square foot declined 27% to \$716 from FY19.
- The Cheesecake Factory restaurants have driven the highest absolute off-premise sales dollars and maintained the highest level of off-premise sales volumes when dining rooms reopened in 2Q21 relative to its publicly-traded casual dining industry peers.
- California locations operating with off-premise and patios only during Summer 2020 generated nearly 90% of sales volumes of all locations with reopened indoor dining rooms when malls predominantly remained closed in California.



# **Cult Status & Strong Consumer Engagement**



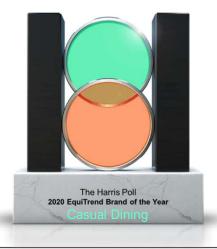
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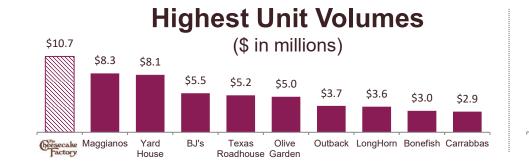
Note: Statistics as of November 1, 2021

## **Broad Consumer Demographic and Appeal**

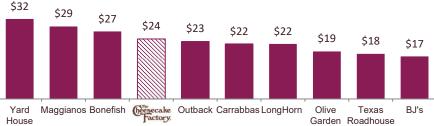


#1 Quality #2 Service #3 Ambiance





With a Moderate Average Check



Source: Latest pre-COVID-19 SEC 10-K filings and company presentations



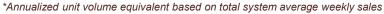
### **Leveraging This Differentiation in the Off-Premise Channel**





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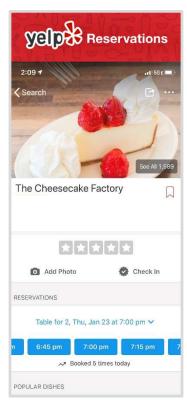




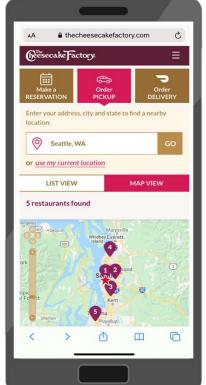


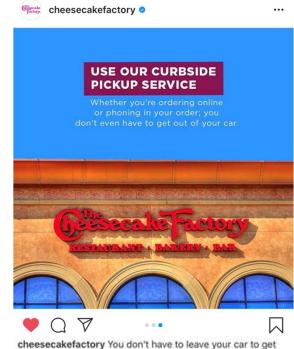


### **Further Leaning in to Convenience**









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# The Cheesecake Factory – Expanding International Licensed Presence

- Anticipated continued expansion within current geographies
- Potential for additional geographies with current licensees
- Opportunity to add licensees and territories







# **Capitalizing on the Power of the Brand**

### The Cheesecake Factory At Home®



### **BuzzFeed**

People Are Freaking Out Because They Can Buy The Brown Bread From The Cheesecake Factory In Grocery Stores

Quite possibly the most important story of the century.









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### CSR – Contributing to the Well-Being of Our Staff, Local Communities and the Environment We All Share



Source: The Cheesecake Factory Incorporated 2019 and 2020 Corporate Social Responsibility Reports. \*Free from recombinant bovine somatotropin (rbST) or a recombinant bovine growth hormone (rbGH), often used for lactating dairy cows to increase the production of milk.



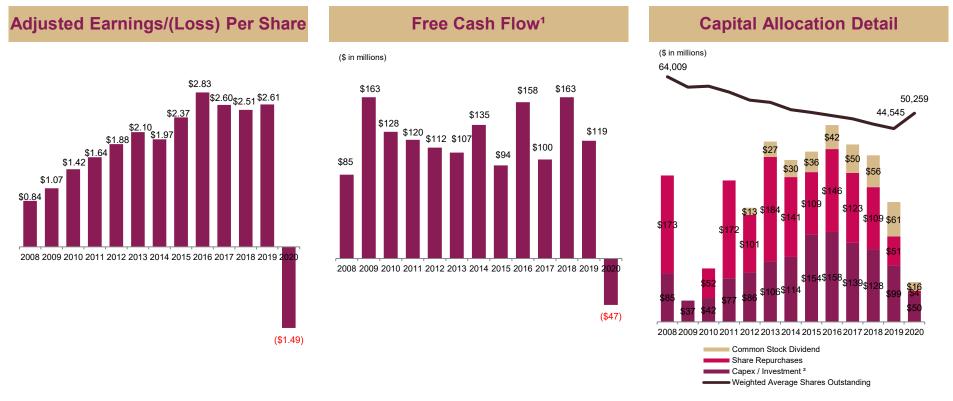
# **Track Record of Consistent Financial Performance**



### **History of Outperforming the Industry Comparable Sales - Historical 2-year Stack** 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020\* Industry Outperformance 4.2% 4.0% 4.1% 3.8% 3.3% <sup>2.5%</sup> 1.4% 2.6% 2.0% **During Economic Downturn** 1.0% 0.9% 0.5% 0.8% 0.4% (0.3)% (0.4)% (0.9)% (1.6)% (2.2)% (4.2)% (4.3)% (6.1)% (6.8)% (8.7)% Geographical discrepancies in dining restrictions & reopening timelines (24.0)% (27.4)% *<i><i>èésecake* **Knapp-Track Index** *factory* heesecake Factory 26

\*2020 results reflect the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

### **Durable Business Over Time**



<sup>1</sup>Free cash flow defined as cash flow from operations (includes adjustment for excess tax benefit related to stock options exercised in 2008-2016 to conform to

current year presentation) less capital expenditures and investment in unconsolidated affiliates prior to the acquisition of North Italia and Fox Restaurant Concepts <sup>2</sup>2019 Capex/Investment does not include the acquisition of North Italia and Fox Restaurant Concepts

Note: 2020 results reflect the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and the issuance of 200,000 shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock. Please see Appendix for GAAP to Non-GAAP reconciliations and for an explanation regarding an accounting reclassification for prior years





Appendix

### **Non-GAAP Reconciliations**

In addition to the results provided in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") in this presentation, the Company is providing non-GAAP measurements which present adjusted diluted net income/(loss) per share excluding the impact of certain items and free cash flow.

The non-GAAP measurements are intended to supplement the presentation of the Company's financial results in accordance with GAAP. The Company believes that the presentation of these items provides additional information to facilitate the comparison of past and present financial results.

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### **Non-GAAP Reconciliation**

The Cheesecake Factory Incorporated Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures (\$ in thousands, except per share data)

		Fiscal Year											
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Net income/(loss) (GAAP)	\$ 52,293	\$ 42,833	\$ 81,713	\$ 95,720	\$ 98,423	\$114,356	\$101,276	\$116,523	\$139,494	\$157,392	\$ 99,035	\$127,293	\$ (277,107)
- Impairment of assets and lease terminations	2,952	26,541	-	1,547	9,536	(561)	696	6,011	114	10,343	17,861	18,247	219,333
- Partial IRS settlement	-	-	-	(1,794)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Unwinding of interest rate collars	-	7,421	7,376	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Chairman and CEO employment agreement	-	2,550	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Proceeds from variable life insurance contract	-	(668)	-	-	(419)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Loss on investment in unconsolidated affiliates	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	479	4,754	13,439	-
- Gain on investment in unconsolidated affiliates	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(52,672)	-
<ul> <li>Acquisition-related costs</li> <li>Acquisition-related contingent consideration and</li> </ul>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,270	2,699
amortization expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,033	(3,872)
-Preferred Dividends to Apply If-Converted Method -Direct and Incremental Costs Associated With Preferred	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,485
Stock	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,257
-Assumed Impact of Potential Conversion of Preferred Stock into Common Stock	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-COVID-19 related costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22,963
- Tax effect of adjustments (1)	(1,181)	(14,605)	(2,951)	(331)	(3,814)	224	(278)	(2,404)	(46)	(4,329)	(5,880)	3,818	(62,692)
- One-time tax items (2)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(38,525)	-	-	-
Adjusted net income/(loss) (non-GAAP)	\$ 54,064	\$ 64,072	\$ 86,138	\$ 95,142	\$103,726	\$114,019	\$101,694	\$120,130	\$139,562	\$ 125,360	\$115,770	\$116,428	\$ (74,934)
Diluted net income/(loss) per share (GAAP)	\$ 0.82	\$ 0.71	\$ 1.35	\$ 1.64	\$ 1.78	\$ 2.10	\$ 1.96	\$ 2.30	\$ 2.83	\$ 3.27	\$ 2.14	\$ 2.86	\$ (6.32)
- Impairment of assets and lease terminations	0.05	0.44		0.03	0.17	(0.01)	0.01	0.12	0.00	0.21	0.39	0.41	4.36
- Partial IRS settlement	-			(0.03)	-			-	-	-	-	-	-
- Unwinding of interest rate collars	-	0.12	0.12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Chairman and CEO employment agreement	-	0.04	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Proceeds from variable life insurance contract	-	(0.01)	-	-	(0.01)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Loss on investment in unconsolidated affiliates	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.01	0.10	0.30	-
- Gain on investment in unconsolidated affiliates	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1.18)	-
- Acquisition-related costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.12	0.05
<ul> <li>Acquisition-related contingent consideration and</li> </ul>													()
amortization expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.02	(0.08)
-Preferred Dividends to Apply If-Converted Method -Direct and Incremental Costs Associated With Preferred	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.27
Stock	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.20
-Assumed Impact of Potential Conversion of Preferred Stock into Common Stock	_			_	_	_				_		_	0.80
-COVID-19 related costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.46
-Tax effect of adjustments	- (0.03)	- (0.23)	- (0.05)	-	- (0.06)	- 0.01	-	- (0.05)	- 0.00	- (0.09)	- (0.12)	- 0.09	(1.25)
-One-time tax items	(0.03)	(0.23)	(0.03)	-	- (0.00)	-		(0.05)	-	(0.80)	(0.12)	-	(1.25)
Adjusted diluted net income/(loss) per share (non-GAAP) (3)	\$ 0.84	\$ 1.07	\$ 1.42	\$ 1.64	\$ 1.88	\$ 2.10	\$ 1.97	\$ 2.37	\$ 2.83	\$ 2.60	\$ 2.51	\$ 2.61	\$ (1.49)
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(1) The tax effect assumes a tax rate based on the federal statutory rate and an estimated blended state tax rate.

(2) Fiscal 2017 includes a \$38.5 million benefit to the income tax provision related to tax reform enacted in December 2017.

(3) Adjusted diluted net income/(loss) per share may not add due to rounding.



### **Non-GAAP Reconciliation**

### The Cheesecake Factory Incorporated Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures (\$ in millions)

	Fiscal Year																									
-	2	008	2009 2010		2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020			
Cash flow from operations <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	170	\$	200	\$	170	\$	197	\$	198	\$	213	\$	249	\$	248	\$	316	\$	239	\$	291	\$	219	\$	3
Capital expenditures / investments		85		37		42		77		86		106		114		154		158		139		128		99		50
Free cash flow	\$	85	\$	163	\$	128	\$	120	\$	112	\$	107	\$	135	\$	94	\$	158	\$	100	\$	163	\$	120	\$	(47)

(1) The excess tax benefit related to stock options exercised is no longer reclassified from cash flows from operating activities to cash flows from financing activities in the consolidated statements of cash flows. The consolidated statements of cash flows for fiscal 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009 and 2008 have been adjusted to conform to the current year presentation.

