

## Forward-Looking Statements

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# Fourth Quarter Fiscal 2018 Conference Call 

September 18, 2018

The AutoZone Pledge -

## AutoZoners always put c ustomers first

We know our parts and products.
Our stores look great
We've got the best merchandise at the right price.

## Fourth Quarter FY 2018 P\&L

| in millions (excluding EPS and percentages) | 16 Weeks Ended8/25/2018 |  | 16 Weeks Ended 8/26/2017 |  | B/(W) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net Sales | \$ | 3,559 | \$ | 3,513 | + | 1.3\% |
| Gross Margin |  | 53.6\% |  | 52.8\% | + | 83 bps |
| Operating Expense Ratio |  | 37.0\% |  | 32.6\% | - | 436 bps |
| Operating Profit (EBIT) | \$ | 591 | \$ | 708 | - | 16.4\% |
| Operating (EBIT) Margin |  | 16.6\% |  | 20.1\% | - | 353 bps |
| Interest | \$ | 54 | \$ | 51 | - | 5.7\% |
| Tax Rate |  | 25.4\% |  | 33.9\% |  |  |
| Net Income | \$ | 400 | \$ | 434 | - | 7.7\% |
| Diluted Shares |  | 26.6 |  | 28.4 | + | 6.2\% |
| Diluted EPS | \$ | 15.02 | \$ | 15.27 | - | 1.6\% |

## FY 2018 P\&L

| in millions (excluding EPS and percentages) | 52 Weeks Ended 8/25/2018 |  | 52 Weeks Ended 8/26/2017 |  | $\mathrm{Bl}(\mathrm{W})$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net Sales | \$ | 11,221 | \$ | 10,889 | + | 3.1\% |
| Gross Margin |  | 53.2\% |  | 52.7\% | + | 53 bps |
| Operating Expense Ratio |  | 37.1\% |  | 33.6\% | - | 349 bps |
| Operating Profit (EBIT) | \$ | 1,811 | \$ | 2,080 | - | 12.9\% |
| Operating (EBIT) Margin |  | 16.1\% |  | 19.1\% | - | 297 bps |
| Interest | \$ | 175 | \$ | 155 | - | 12.9\% |
| Tax Rate |  | 18.3\% |  | 33.5\% |  |  |
| Net Income | \$ | 1,338 | \$ | 1,281 | + | 4.4\% |
| Diluted Shares |  | 27.4 |  | 29.1 | + | 5.6\% |
| Diluted EPS | \$ | 48.77 | \$ | 44.07 | + | 10.7\% |

## Q4 FY18 GAAP Reconciliations

in millions (excluding EPS and percentages)
Adjusted operating, SG\&A expenses

## GAAP operating, SG\&A expenses

Adjustments:
Pension termination charges
Adjusted operating, SG\&A expenses

## Adjusted operating profit (EBIT)

## GAAP operating profit

Adjustments:
Pension termination charges
Adjusted operating profit

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16 Weeks Ended 8/25/2018
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\$ 1,316.6

|  | (130.3) |
| :--- | ---: |
| $\$ \quad 1,186.3$ |  |

16 Weeks Ended 8/26/2017
$B /(W)$
B/(W)
$\qquad$ -3.5\%
591.2

|  |
| :--- |
| $\$ \quad 721.5$ |

\$ 721.5

|  | - |
| ---: | ---: |
| $\$$ | 707.6 |

2.0\%

## Adjusted net income

GAAP net income
\$
400.3
\$
433.9
-7.7\%
Adjustments:
Pension termination charges, net of $\$ 36.6 \mathrm{MM}$ income tax benefit Adjusted net income

|  | 93.7 |
| ---: | ---: |
| $\$ \quad 494.0$ |  |


13.8\%

Adjusted EPS
GAAP diluted earnings per share
Adjustments:
Pension termination charges, net of \$36.6MM income tax benefit Adjusted diluted earnings per share

| $\$$ | 15.02 |
| :--- | ---: |
|  | 3.52 |
| $\$$ | 18.54 |


| $\$$ | 15.27 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | - | $-1.6 \%$ |
| $\$$ | 15.27 |  |



## Growth Priorities

- U.S. Retail (DIY)
- Commercial (DIFM)
- International
- Digital Integration


## New Store Highlights

Total Location Count 5,540

5,618
36,746

564
4
20

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\begin{gathered}
6,202 \\
\hline \hline 41,066 \\
6,621
\end{gathered}
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## Growth Priorities

- U.S. Retail (DIY)
- Commercial (DIFM)
- International
- Digital Integration


## Q4 Commercial Highlights

\# of<br>Commercial<br>Programs

| Total Commercial Programs | $\mathbf{4 , 7 4 1}$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| \% increase in programs vs. LY | $\mathbf{3 . 2 \%}$ |  |
|  | 4th |  |
|  | Quarter | Trailing 4 Qtrs |
| Domestic Commercial Sales: | $\mathbf{\$ 7 3 1 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{\$ 2 , 2 1 4 . 2}$ |
| (\$ millions) |  |  |
| \% increase in sales | $\mathbf{8 . 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 . 3 \%}$ |

## Q4 FY 2018 Total Cash Flow

## (\$ Millions)

Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents Less (decrease)/increase in debt

Add back share repurchases
Cash flow before share
repurchases \& changes in debt

## Ending debt

| 16 weeks ended <br> 8/25/2018 |  | 16 weeks ended 8/26/2017 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 52 \text { weeks } \\ & \text { ended } \\ & 8 / 25 / 2018 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 52 \text { weeks } \\ & \text { ended } \\ & 8 / 26 / 2017 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ | (1) | \$ | 66 | \$ | (75) | \$ | 104 |
|  | 50 |  | (73) |  | (80) |  | 158 |
|  | 665 |  | 227 |  | 1,592 |  | 1,072 |
|  | 614 |  | 367 |  | 1,596 |  | 1,018 |
| \$ | 5,006 | \$ | 5,081 | \$ | 5,006 | \$ | 5,081 |

## Balance Sheet Highlights

(\$ Millions)
Inventory
Inventory/location
Inventory, net of payables
Inv., net of payables/location
Inventory turns
Working capital
Net fixed assets
Debt
Stockholders' Deficit
As of
$8 / 25 / 2018$

| $\$$ | 3,944 | $\$$ | 3,882 | + | $1.6 \%$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\$$ | 636 | $\$$ | 644 | - | $1.2 \%$ |

\$ (466) \$ (287)
(75)
1.3x
\$ (393) \$ (155)
\$ 4,218 \$ 4,031 $+4.6 \%$
\$ 5,006 \$ 5,081 - $1.5 \%$
$\$ \quad(1,520) \quad \$ \quad(1,428) \quad-6.4 \%$

## Strong Financial Disciplines 'Live The Pledge' Continued EPS growth

- Grow Retail Sales
- Make sure we put our customers first in everything we do
- Customer service will continue to be our key point of differentiation
- Refinement of parts coverage
- Continue deploying inventory more effectively across network
- Invest in AutoZoner training and retention
- Make sure our stores look great
- Grow Commercial Sales
- Currently, small \% of Domestic sales \& only 3\%* overall market share
- Continue focus on building best-in-class B2B sales organization
- Focused on profitable growth
- Prudently paced International growth
- Relentless focus on managing costs


