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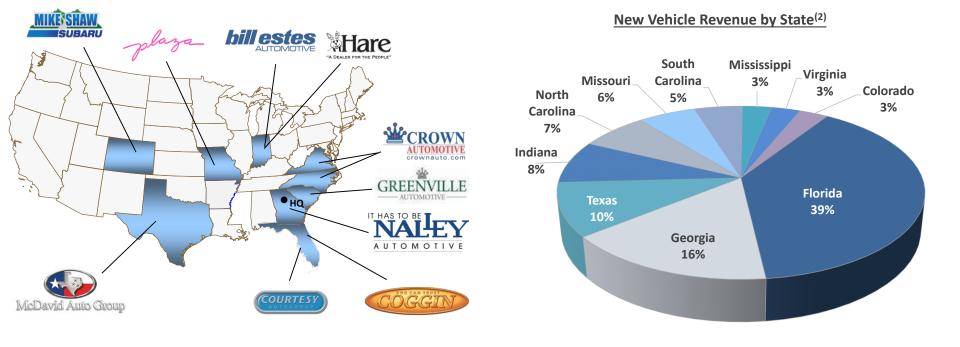
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- Fortune 500 automotive retailer
- 7<sup>th</sup> largest U.S. based franchised auto retailer
- \$7.2 billion in total revenues<sup>(1)</sup>
- 83 dealership locations; 102 franchises<sup>(3)</sup>
- Best-in-class SG&A margins

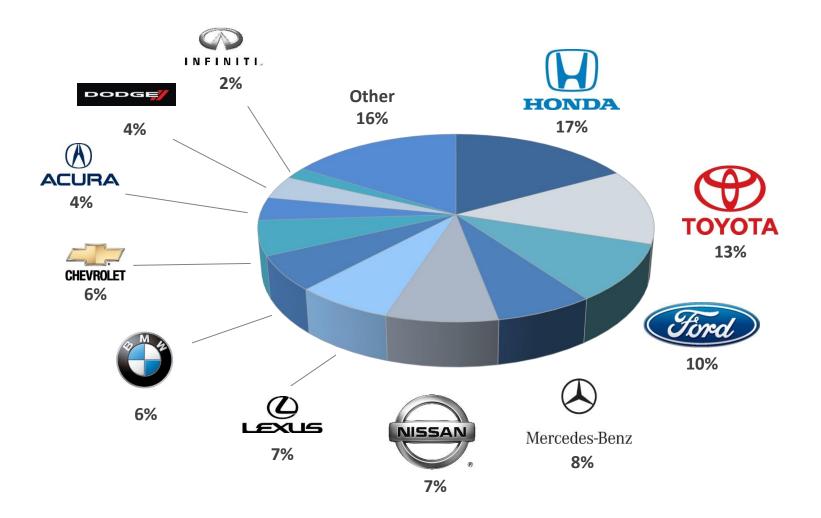
- 31 vehicle brands<sup>(3)</sup>
- Sold over 193,000 retail vehicles<sup>(1)</sup>
- Handled over 2.2 million repair orders<sup>(1)</sup>
- Operating 24 collision repair centers<sup>(3)</sup>
- Best-in-class operating margins



#### Fortune 500 automotive dealer group with attractive geographic presence

- (1) For the year ended Dec. 31, 2019
- (2) For the three months ended Mar. 31, 2020; Note: We divested all of our stores in Mississippi during Q1 2020
- (3) As of Mar. 31, 2020

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## Very attractive portfolio of brands; high concentration of import and luxury

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#### **Our Strategy**



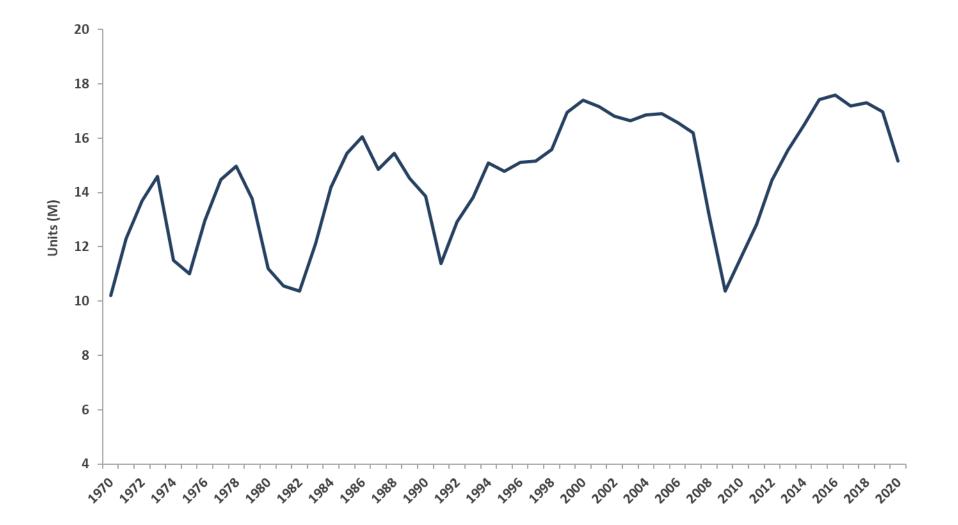
#### **1.** Drive Operational Excellence

- Attract and retain the best talent
- Implement best practices and improve productivity
- Provide an exceptional guest experience
- Centralize, streamline and automate processes
- Leverage our scale and cost structure to improve our operating efficiencies
- 2. Deploy Capital to Highest Returns
  - Continue to invest in the business
  - Acquire dealerships meeting our criteria
  - Return capital to stockholders via share repurchases

## Two fundamental principles to drive shareholder value

#### U.S. SAAR 1970 to 2020

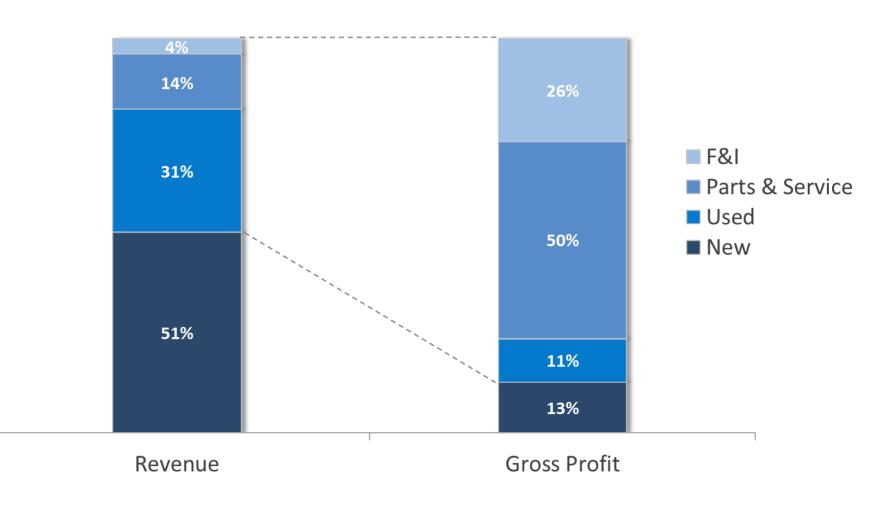




## SAAR is hard to predict. We attack what we can control: Used Vehicles, F&I and Parts & Service



(Q1 2020)

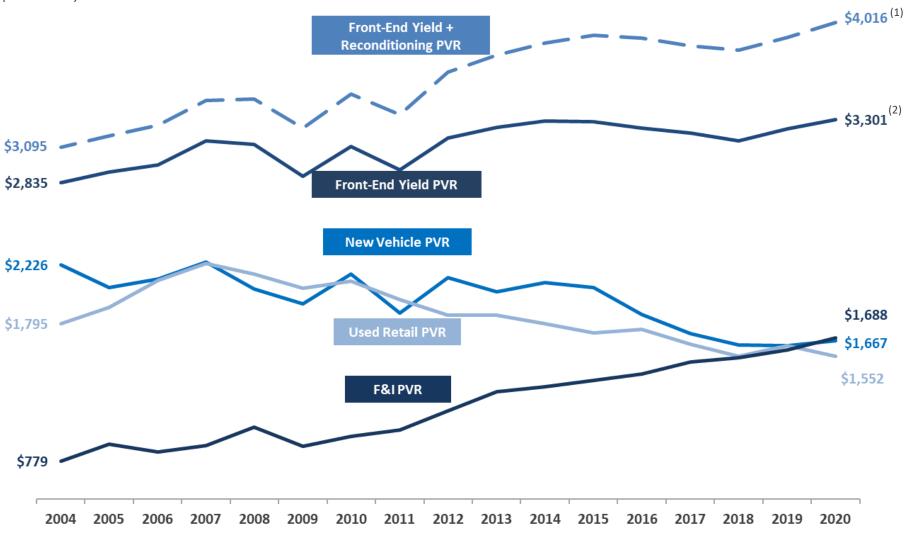


Used, Parts & Service and F&I account for 49% of revenue and 87% of gross profit

#### Front-End Yield and PVR Trends – Q1

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(Same Store)



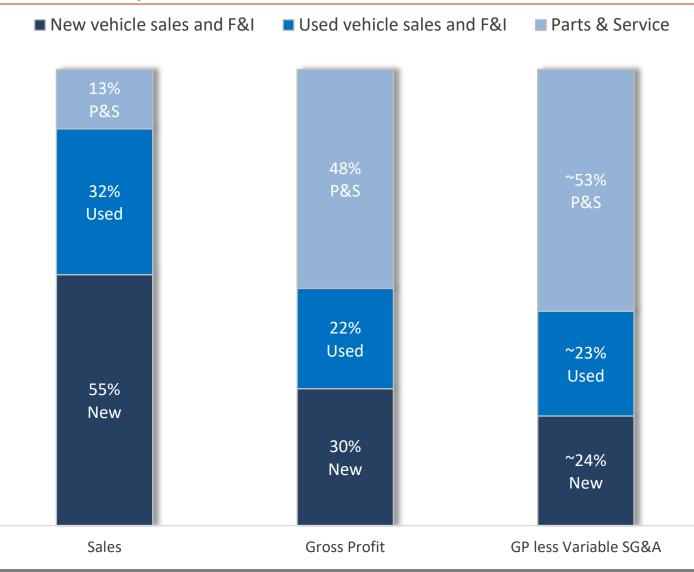
## Since 2003, improvement in F&I PVR has more than offset pressure on new and used margins

Note: Data shown represents Q1 PVR in each year specified.

(1) Front End + Reconditioning PVR = new vehicle gross profit, used retail gross profit, F&I and Reconditioning gross profit divided by new and used retail unit sales

(2) Front End PVR = new vehicle gross profit, used retail gross profit, and F&I gross profit divided by new and used retail unit sales

#### **SAAR Is Not the Primary Business Driver**



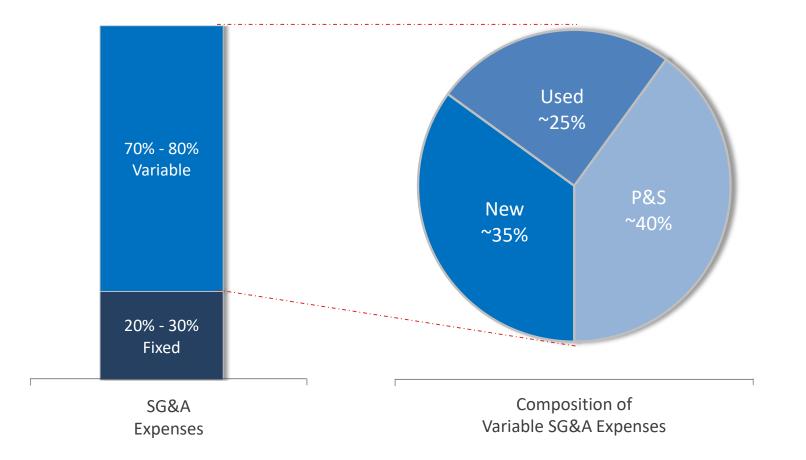
## Large, stable and growing Parts & Service business offsets SAAR variability

Note: An illustrative example. Variable expenses also include some semi-fixed expenses that do not move directly with vehicle sales but are controllable over time and can be adjusted to the selling environment.

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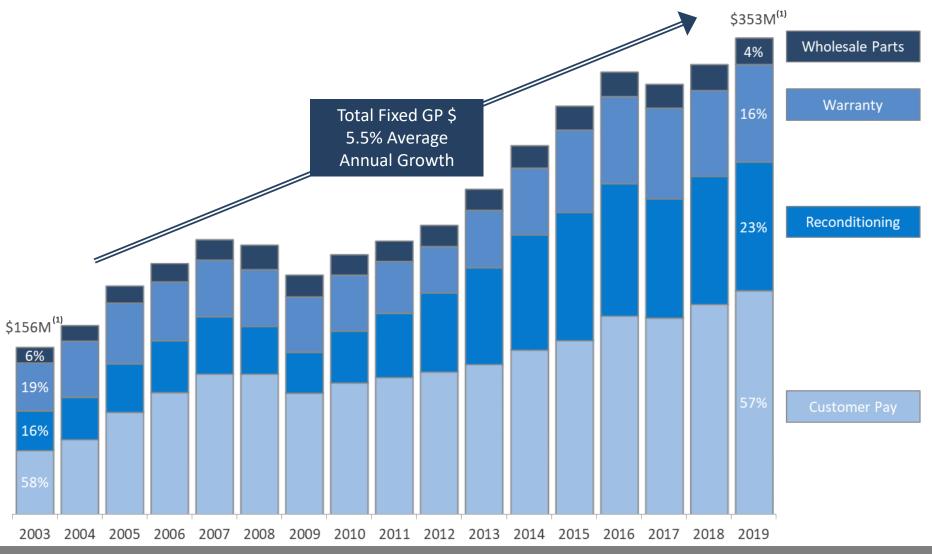






## 70% - 80% of SG&A is considered variable and disproportionately weighted towards new and used operations

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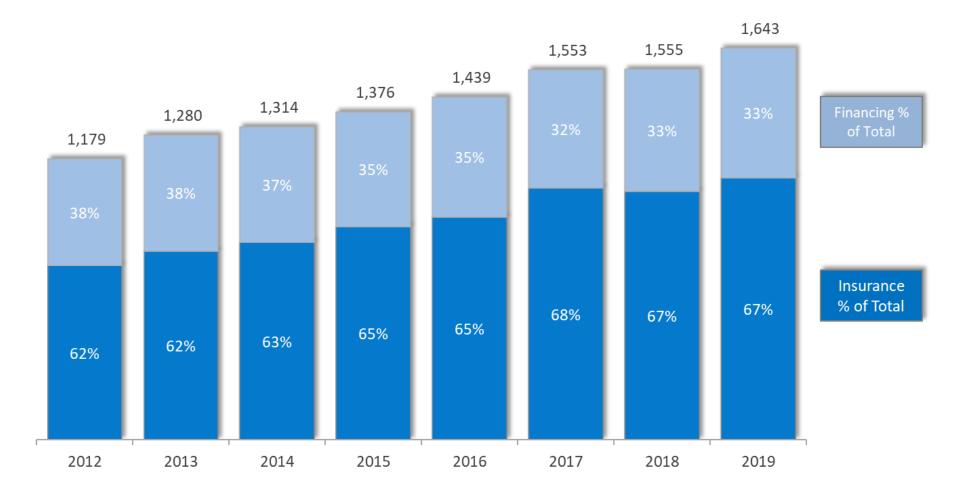


More units in operation, online scheduling capabilities and the complexity of modern vehicles should drive mid-single digit parts and service growth through economic cycles

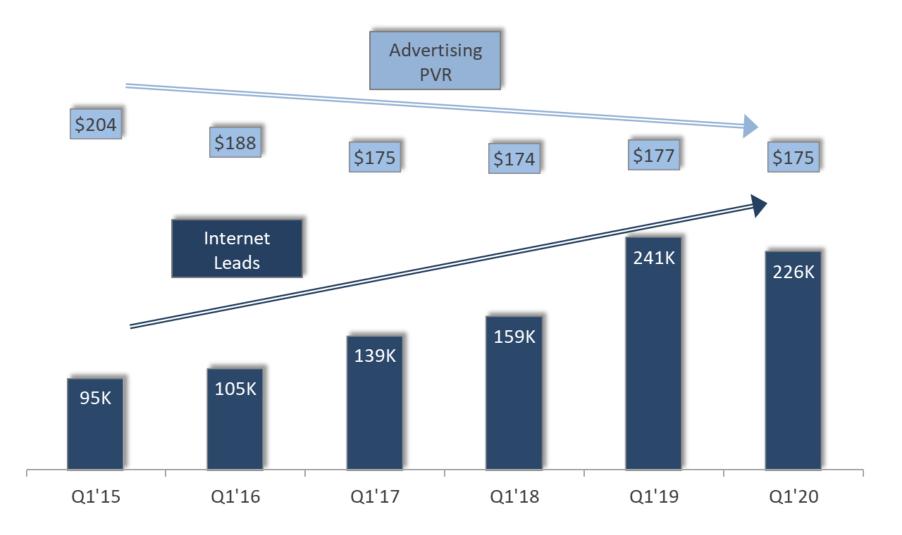
(1) Performance of stores continuously operating since 2003

## F&I Gross Profit per Unit Sold

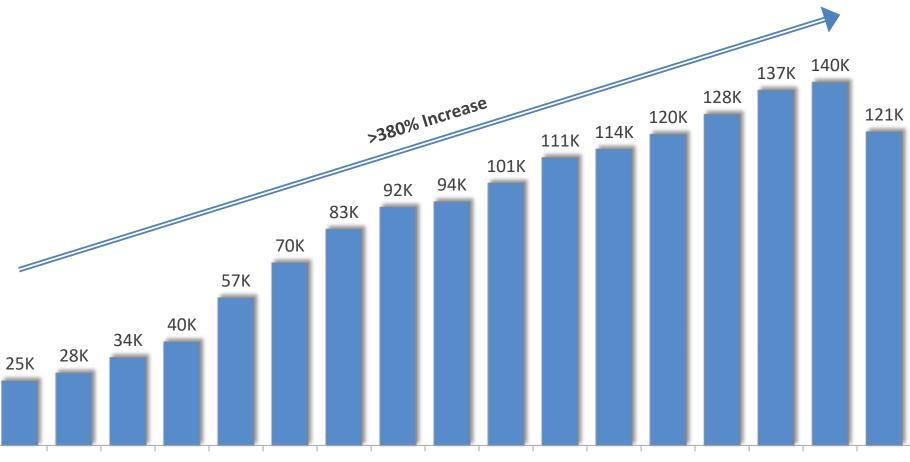
(Same store)



## Solid training and execution continue to drive F&I performance



Digital now represents approximately 80% of our advertising spend



Q1'16 Q2'16 Q3'16 Q4'16 Q1'17 Q2'17 Q3'17 Q4'17 Q1'18 Q2'18 Q3'18 Q4'18 Q1'19 Q2'19 Q3'19 Q4'19 Q1'20

Digital technology is driving business growth and enhancing the customer experience; quarterly online service appointment volume has grown over 380% since Q1'16



Sales



- Brand certified digital sales specialists manage online transactions (Guest Experience Center)
- Complete online transaction with alternative customer delivery options (PushSTART)

Parts & Services



- Online service appointment scheduling
- Online parts sales
- Online collision center estimates

Payments



Instant financing decisionsOnline customer payments

Promotional Marketing



In-house digital marketing team
 Targeted digital/social media marketing

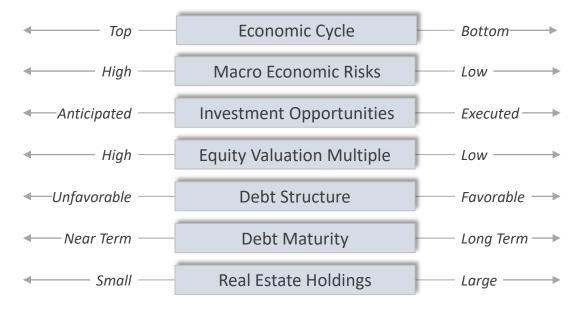
Omni-channel initiatives are driving sales, creating operational efficiencies and enhancing the guest experience

### Leverage Varies Based on Business Conditions and Environment



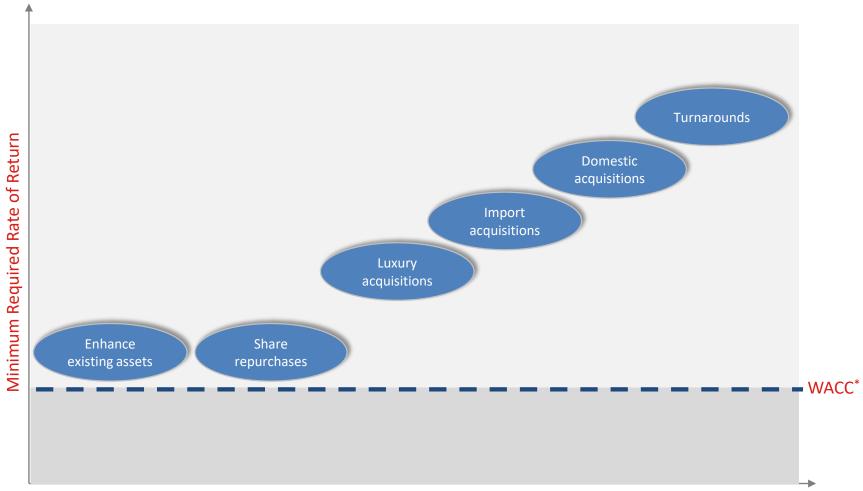
2.5x	Normal Target Range	3.0x
	Net Debt / EBITDA	
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#### Factors Influencing Leverage



Equilibrium leverage target range balances financial flexibility with an efficient capital structure

## Capital Allocation Framework: Each Project Stands on its Own



#### Risk

## Sophisticated and dynamic approach focused on maximizing shareholder value

\* WACC: weighted average cost of capital

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#### **Summary**



- Attractive brand mix and geographic footprint
- Operational excellence:
  - Best in class operating margins and strong growth track record
  - Omni-channel initiatives are driving sales, efficiencies and the guest experience
- Diversified business lines:
  - SAAR is not the primary overall business driver
  - The majority of profit comes from the more stable business lines
- Flexible business model:
  - Variable cost structure moderates downside scenarios
- Disciplined transparent capital allocation strategy focused on risk adjusted returns
  - Operating assets & capabilities focused on the future of automotive retail
  - Value added acquisitions
  - Return of capital to shareholders
- □ Strong balance sheet
  - Leverage balances an efficient capital structure with financial flexibility
  - Over \$650 million of liquidity<sup>(1)</sup>

#### Focused on driving shareholder value



## Appendix



In addition to evaluating the financial condition and results of our operations in accordance with GAAP, from time to time management evaluates and analyzes results and any impact on the Company of strategic decisions and actions relating to, among other things, cost reduction, growth, and profitability improvement initiatives, and other events outside of normal, or "core," business and operations, by considering certain alternative financial measures not prepared in accordance with GAAP. These measures include "Adjusted leverage ratio," "Adjusted income from operations," "Adjusted net income," "Adjusted operating margins, ""Adjusted EBITDA," and "Adjusted diluted earnings per share ("EPS")." Further, management assesses the organic growth of our revenue and gross profit on a same store basis. We believe that our assessment on a same store basis represents an important indicator of comparative financial performance and provides relevant information to assess our performance at our existing locations. Same store amounts consist of information from dealerships for identical months in each comparative period, commencing with the first month we owned the dealership. Additionally, amounts related to divested dealerships are excluded from each comparative period. Non-GAAP measures do not have definitions under GAAP and may be defined differently by and not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies. As a result, any non-GAAP financial measures considered and evaluated by management are reviewed in conjunction with a review of the most directly comparable measures calculated in accordance with GAAP. Management cautions investors not to place undue reliance on such non-GAAP measures, but also to consider them with the most directly comparable GAAP measures. In their evaluation of results from time to time, management excludes items that do not arise directly from core operations, or are otherwise of an unusual or non-recurring nature. Because these non-core, unusual or non-recurring charges and gains materially affect Asbury's financial condition or results in the specific period in which they are recognized, management also evaluates, and makes resource allocation and performance evaluation decisions based on, the related non-GAAP measures excluding such items. In addition to using such non-GAAP measures to evaluate results in a specific period, management believes that such measures may provide more complete and consistent comparisons of operational performance on a period-over-period historical basis and a better indication of expected future trends. Management discloses these non-GAAP measures, and the related reconciliations, because it believes investors use these metrics in evaluating longer-term period-over-period performance, and to allow investors to better understand and evaluate the information used by management to assess operating performance.

#### Q1 2020 Summary



#### Total Company:

- Total revenue decreased 4%; gross profit decreased 2%
- Gross margin increased 20 basis points to 16.9%
- SG&A as a percentage of gross profit increased 310 basis points to 71.5%
- Adjusted operating margin<sup>(1)</sup> decreased 50 basis points to 4.3%
- Adjusted EPS<sup>(1)</sup> decreased 18%

#### Same Store:

- Total revenue decreased 6%; gross profit decreased 5%
- Gross margin increased 20 basis points to 17.1%
- New vehicle revenue decreased 7%; gross profit decreased 8%
- Used vehicle retail revenue decreased 5%; gross profit decreased 11%
- Finance and insurance revenue and gross profit decreased 3%
- Parts and service revenue decreased 1%; gross profit decreased 3%

## EPS decreased 18% in the quarter; SAAR was down by 10%



#### Strategic Highlights:

- Acquired a Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram store in the Denver market in late January 2020.
  We expect this store to generate approximately \$124 million in annual revenues.
- Divested all five stores in the Mississippi market in March 2020. These dealerships generated approximately \$334 million in annualized revenue.
- Divested Nissan Atlanta store in February 2020. This dealership generated approximately \$77 million in annualized revenue.
- As a result of the impact from the COVID-19 outbreak, we terminated our agreement to acquire 20 Park Place luxury franchises originally expected to close in March 2020.

## Continuous strategic assessment of our dealership portfolio will make Asbury a stronger company

## Q1 2020 Earnings Highlights & Key Metrics



	Q1 '20	Q1 '19	Change
Volume Metrics (SS)			
US Auto Sales (M)	3.51	4.01	(12.5%)
New Units	19,913	21,926	(9.2%)
Used Retail Units	18,230	19,510	(6.6%)
Used to New Ratio	91.5%	89.0%	250 bps
Fixed Gross Profit (\$M)	\$124.1	\$127.4	(2.6%)
Margin Metrics (SS)			
New Margin	4.5%	4.5%	0 bps
Used Retail Margin	7.0%	7.5%	(50 bps)
Fixed Margin	61.0%	62.3%	(130 bps)
F&I PVR	\$1,688	\$1,598	\$90
Front End PVR <sup>(1)</sup>	\$3,301	\$3,231	\$70
Performance Metrics			
SG&A %GP	71.5%	68.4%	310 bps
Adj. EBITDA (\$M) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$71.0	\$78.5	(9.6%)
EPS	\$1.01	\$2.11	(52.1%)
Adj. EPS <sup>(2)</sup>	\$1.80	\$2.20	(18.2%)

(1) Front end PVR = new vehicle gross profit, used retail gross profit, and F&I gross profit divided by new and used retail unit sales

(2) See Non-GAAP reconciliations

### **Non-GAAP Reconciliations**

(\$ in Millions, except per share amounts)

Adjusted Operating Income		Q1 '20		Q1 '19	
Income from operations	\$	35.0	\$	77.8	
Non-core items:					
Legal settlements		(0.9)		-	
Gain on sale of real estate		(0.3)		-	
Franchise rights impairment		23.0		-	
Park Place deal termination costs		11.6		-	
Fixed assets write-off		-		2.4	
Adjusted income from operations	\$	68.4	\$	80.2	
Adj. Operating Margin		4.3%		4.8%	

Adjusted Net Income		Q1 '20		Q1 '19	
Net Income	\$	19.5	\$	40.9	
Non-core items - (income)/expense:					
Gain on dealership divestitures		(33.7)			
Legal settlements		(0.9)			
Gain on sale of real estate		(0.3)		-	
Franchise rights impairment		23.0		-	
Park Place deal termination costs		11.6		-	
Loss of extinguishment of debt		20.7		-	
Fixed assets write-off		-		2.4	
Income tax effect on non-core items		(5.2)		(0.6)	
Adjusted Net Income		34.7	\$	42.7	

Adjusted diluted EPS	\$	1.80	\$	2.20
Adjusted EBITDA	Q	1 '20	Q	1 '19
Net Income	\$	19.5	\$	40.9
Add:				
Depreciation and amortization		9.5		8.6
Income tax expense		4.6		12.8
Swap and other interest expense		17.0		13.8
EBITDA	\$	50.6	\$	76.1
Non-core items:				
Gain on dealership divestitures		(33.7)		-
Legal settlements		(0.9)		-
Gain on sale of real estate		(0.3)		-
Franchise rights impairment		23.0		-
Loss of extinguishment of debt		20.7		-
Park Place deal termination costs		11.6		-
Fixed assets write-off		-		2.4
Total non-core items		20.4		2.4
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	71.0	\$	78.5

Adjusted diluted EPS

Total non-core items

**Diluted EPS** 

Q1 '19

2.11

0.09

\$

Q1 '20

1.01

0.79

\$

## **Debt Maturity Schedule**

(\$ in Millions)



Our near-term debt maturities remain minimal; in Q1 '20 we extended our maturity schedule with the refinancing of our 2024 6% bonds.

Note: Amounts shown are the face value of debt instruments in millions Does not include \$17.0 million of capital leases and is Net of Deferred Financing Fees 25

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