UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

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[X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 25, 2016

Or

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from ______ to _____ Commission File Number: 001-35625



BLOOMIN' BRANDS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 20-8023465

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

2202 North West Shore Boulevard, Suite 500, Tampa, Florida 33607

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(813) 282-1225

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. YES \boxtimes NO \square

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T ($\S232.405$ of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). YES \boxtimes NO \square

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer ☑ Accelerated filer □ Non-accelerated filer □ (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company □

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). YES □ NO ☒

As of October 28, 2016, 105,390,926 shares of common stock of the registrant were outstanding.

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PART I: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

${\color{blue} \textbf{CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS}} \\ \textbf{(in thousands, except share and per share data, unaudited)} \\$

	SEPT	EMBER 25, 2016	DECE	EMBER 27, 2015
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	91,474	\$	132,337
Current portion of restricted cash and cash equivalents		803		6,772
Inventories		66,514		80,704
Other current assets, net		91,563		198,831
Total current assets		250,354		418,644
Restricted cash		_		16,265
Property, fixtures and equipment, net		1,418,532		1,594,460
Goodwill		314,566		300,861
Intangible assets, net		542,240		546,837
Deferred income tax assets		3,669		7,631
Other assets, net		130,663		147,871
Total assets	\$	2,660,024	\$	3,032,569
LIABILITIES, MEZZANINE EQUITY AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	189,662	\$	193,116
Accrued and other current liabilities		202,351		206,611
Unearned revenue		242,442		382,586
Current portion of long-term debt, net		39,551		31,853
Total current liabilities		674,006		814,166
Deferred rent		150,991		139,758
Deferred income tax liabilities		23,206		53,546
Long-term debt, net		1,186,057		1,285,011
Other long-term liabilities, net		360,114		294,662
Total liabilities		2,394,374		2,587,143
Commitments and contingencies (Note 16)				
Mezzanine Equity				
Redeemable noncontrolling interests		26,092		23,526
Stockholders' Equity				
Bloomin' Brands Stockholders' Equity				
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, 25,000,000 shares authorized; no shares issued and outstanding as of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015		_		_
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 475,000,000 shares authorized; 105,194,804 and 119,214,522 shares issued and outstanding as of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015, respectively		1,052		1,192
Additional paid-in capital		1,068,165		1,072,861
Accumulated deficit		(747,472)		(518,360)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(94,984)		(147,367)
Total Bloomin' Brands stockholders' equity		226,761		408,326
Noncontrolling interests		12,797		13,574
Total stockholders' equity		239,558		421,900
Total liabilities, mezzanine equity and stockholders' equity	\$	2,660,024	\$	3,032,569

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) (IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA, UNAUDITED)

		THIRTEEN W	EEKS	ENDED	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED			KS ENDED
	SEPT	EMBER 25, 2016	SE	PTEMBER 27, 2015	SI	EPTEMBER 25, 2016	s	EPTEMBER 27, 2015
Revenues								
Restaurant sales	\$	998,806	\$	1,020,131	\$	3,229,377	\$	3,307,700
Other revenues		6,581		6,590		18,786		20,677
Total revenues		1,005,387		1,026,721		3,248,163		3,328,377
Costs and expenses								
Cost of sales		322,080		339,000		1,044,179		1,083,923
Labor and other related		290,032		286,628		921,992		911,653
Other restaurant operating		243,175		243,609		747,189		761,928
Depreciation and amortization		48,551		47,455		145,206		141,316
General and administrative		65,072		69,623		208,663		218,832
Provision for impaired assets and restaurant closings		4,743		1,682		49,183		11,715
Total costs and expenses		973,653		987,997		3,116,412		3,129,367
Income from operations		31,734		38,724		131,751		199,010
Loss on defeasance, extinguishment and modification of debt		(418)		_		(26,998)		(2,638)
Other income (expense), net		2,079		(266)		2,059		(1,356)
Interest expense, net		(10,217)		(14,851)		(33,394)		(40,916)
Income before provision for income taxes		23,178		23,607		73,418		154,100
Provision for income taxes		1,950		6,202		24,372		41,557
Net income		21,228		17,405		49,046		112,543
Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		495		594		3,015		2,918
Net income attributable to Bloomin' Brands	\$	20,733	\$	16,811	\$	46,031	\$	109,625
Net income	\$	21,228	\$	17,405	\$	49,046	\$	112,543
Other comprehensive income (loss):								
Foreign currency translation adjustment		45,471		(34,157)		58,151		(85,801)
Unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives, net of tax		672		(3,884)		(4,250)		(7,052)
Reclassification of adjustment for loss on derivatives included in Net income, net of tax		947		1,115		2,902		1,115
Comprehensive income (loss)		68,318		(19,521)		105,849		20,805
Less: comprehensive income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests		2,509		(11,380)		7,435		(9,056)
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Bloomin' Brands	\$	65,809	\$	(8,141)	\$	98,414	\$	29,861
Earnings per share:								
Basic	\$	0.19	\$	0.14	\$	0.41	\$	0.89
Diluted	\$	0.18	\$	0.13	\$	0.40	\$	0.87
Weighted average common shares outstanding:								
Basic		109,399		121,567		113,553		123,337
Diluted		112,430		124,733		116,516		126,610
Diana		112,730		127,733		110,510	_	120,010
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$	0.07	\$	0.06	\$	0.21	\$	0.18
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA, UNAUDITED)

BLOOMIN' BRANDS, INC.

-	COMMO	N STOCK		<u> </u>	ACCUMULATED		
- -	SHARES	AMOUNT	ADDITIONAL PAID-IN CAPITAL			NON- CONTROLLING INTERESTS	TOTAL
Balance, December 27, 2015	119,215	\$ 1,192	\$ 1,072,861	\$ (518,360)	\$ (147,367)	\$ 13,574	\$ 421,900
Net income	_	_	_	46,031	_	2,420	48,451
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	_	_	_	_	52,383	(89)	52,294
Cash dividends declared, \$0.21 per common share	_	_	(23,981)	_	_	_	(23,981)
Repurchase and retirement of common stock	(14,831)	(148)	_	(274,744)	_	_	(274,892)
Stock-based compensation	_	_	18,390	_	_	_	18,390
Tax shortfall from stock- based compensation	_	_	(410)	_	_	_	(410)
Common stock issued under stock plans, net of forfeitures and shares withheld for employee taxes	811	8	3,654	(399)	_	_	3,263
Change in the redemption value of redeemable interests	_	_	(1,349)	_	_	_	(1,349)
Purchase of noncontrolling interests, net of tax of \$1,504	_	_	(1,000)	_	_	581	(419)
Distributions to noncontrolling interests	_	_	_	_	_	(4,245)	(4,245)
Contributions from noncontrolling interests	_	_	_	_	_	556	556
Balance, September 25, 2016	105,195	\$ 1,052	\$ 1,068,165	\$ (747,472)	\$ (94,984)	\$ 12,797	\$ 239,558

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA, UNAUDITED)

BLOOMIN' BRANDS, INC.

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<u>-</u>	COMMO	N STOCK		ADDI	ΓΙΟΝΑL		ACCUM-		ACCUMULATED OTHER		NON-		
	SHARES	AMOU	JNT		ID-IN PITAL		ULATED DEFICIT		COMPREHENSIVE LOSS	C	ONTROLLING INTERESTS	TOTA	L
Balance, December 28, 2014	125,950	\$ 1	1,259	\$	1,085,627	\$	(474,994)	\$	(60,542)	\$	5,099	\$ 556,4	149
Net income	_		_		_		109,625		_		1,984	111,6	509
Other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax	_		_		_		_		(79,764)		10	(79,7	754)
Cash dividends declared, \$0.18 per common share	_		_		(22,147)		_		_		_	(22,	147)
Repurchase and retirement of common stock	(7,043)		(70)		_		(159,929)		_		_	(159,9	999)
Stock-based compensation	_				16,276		_		_		_	16,2	276
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	_		_		1,058		_		_		_	1,0	058
Common stock issued under stock plans, net of forfeitures and shares withheld for employee taxes	844		9		6,387		(725)		_		_	5,0	671
Purchase of limited partnership interests, net of tax	_		_		(229)		_		_		_	(2	229)
Change in the redemption value of redeemable interests	_		_		(11,548)		_		_		_	(11,	548)
Distributions to noncontrolling interests	_		_		_		_		_		(3,310)	(3,3	310)
Contributions from noncontrolling interests	_				_		_		_		3,442	3,4	442
Balance, September 27, 2015	119,751	\$ 1	1,198	\$	1,075,424	\$	(526,023)	\$	(140,306)	\$	7,225	\$ 417,5	518

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (IN THOUSANDS, UNAUDITED)

	THIRTY-	-NINE WEEKS ENDED
	SEPTEMBER 25,	2016 SEPTEMBER 27, 2015
Cash flows provided by operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 49,	,046 \$ 112,543
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	145,	,206 141,316
Amortization of deferred discounts and issuance costs	3,	,862 3,583
Amortization of deferred gift card sales commissions	21,	,146 20,381
Provision for impaired assets and restaurant closings	49,	,183 11,715
Stock-based and other non-cash compensation expense	17,	,646 16,797
Deferred income tax expense	1,	,764 6,053
(Gain) loss on sale of subsidiary or business	(2,	,084) 1,168
Loss on defeasance, extinguishment and modification of debt	26,	,998 2,638
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	(1,	,214) (1,058)
Other non-cash items, net	(4,	,873) (2,058)
Change in assets and liabilities:		
Decrease (increase) in inventories	14,	,291 (2,214)
Decrease in other current assets	82,	,975 71,279
Decrease in other assets	6,	,021 11,414
Decrease in accounts payable and accrued and other current liabilities	(56,	,910) (16,932)
Increase in deferred rent	12,	,206 15,516
Decrease in unearned revenue	(138,	,300) (139,672)
Decrease in other long-term liabilities	(3,	,407) (5,175)
Net cash provided by operating activities	223,	,556 247,294
Cash flows provided by (used in) investing activities:		
Proceeds from disposal of property, fixtures and equipment	1,	,335 5,521
Proceeds from sale-leaseback transactions, net	320,	,287 —
Proceeds from sale of a business, net of cash divested	23,	,009 7,798
Capital expenditures	(185,	,581) (166,783)
Decrease in restricted cash	40,	,977 42,868
Increase in restricted cash	(18,	,739) (33,960)
Other investments, net	(5,	,148) 9,618
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	\$ 176,	,140 \$ (134,938)

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (IN THOUSANDS, UNAUDITED)

	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED			
	SEPTI	EMBER 25, 2016	SEPTE	EMBER 27, 2015
Cash flows used in financing activities:	'			
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt, net	\$	364,211	\$	_
Defeasance, extinguishment and modification of debt		(478,906)		(215,000)
Repayments of long-term debt		(221,266)		(36,330)
Proceeds from borrowings on revolving credit facilities, net		591,500		522,225
Repayments of borrowings on revolving credit facilities		(377,500)		(193,300)
Proceeds from the exercise of share-based compensation		3,662		6,396
Distributions to noncontrolling interests		(4,245)		(3,310)
Contributions from noncontrolling interests		556		3,442
Purchase of limited partnership and noncontrolling interests		(10,778)		(652)
Repayments of partner deposits and accrued partner obligations		(14,985)		(35,884)
Repurchase of common stock		(275,291)		(160,724)
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation		1,214		1,058
Cash dividends paid on common stock		(23,981)		(22,147)
Net cash used in financing activities		(445,809)		(134,226)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		5,250		(8,284)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(40,863)		(30,154)
Cash and cash equivalents as of the beginning of the period		132,337		165,744
Cash and cash equivalents as of the end of the period	\$	91,474	\$	135,590
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:				
Cash paid for interest	\$	32,726	\$	39,408
Cash paid for income taxes, net of refunds		51,833		18,383
Supplemental disclosures of non-cash investing and financing activities:				
Change in acquisition of property, fixtures and equipment included in accounts payable or capital lease liabilities	\$	17,174	\$	17
Purchase of noncontrolling interest included in accrued and other current liabilities		1,414		_

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

1. Description of the Business and Basis of Presentation

Description of the Business - Bloomin' Brands, Inc., through its subsidiaries ("Bloomin' Brands" or the "Company"), owns and operates casual, upscale casual and fine dining restaurants. The Company's restaurant portfolio has four concepts: Outback Steakhouse, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Bonefish Grill and Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar. Each of the Company's concepts has additional restaurants in which it has no direct investment and are operated under franchise agreements.

Basis of Presentation - The accompanying interim unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared by the Company pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Accordingly, they do not include all the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("U.S. GAAP") for complete financial statements. In the opinion of the Company, all adjustments necessary for the fair presentation of the Company's results of operations, financial position and cash flows for the periods presented have been included and are of a normal, recurring nature. The results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2015.

Recently Issued Financial Accounting Standards Not Yet Adopted - In August 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("the FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2016-15, Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments ("ASU No. 2016-15") which provides guidance on the statement of cash flows presentation of certain transactions where diversity in practice exists. ASU No. 2016-15 will be effective for the Company in fiscal year 2018, and early adoption is permitted. The Company does not expect ASU No. 2016-15 to have a material impact on its financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-09: "Compensation - Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting" ("ASU No. 2016-09"). ASU No. 2016-09 simplifies several aspects related to the accounting for share-based payment transactions, including the accounting for income taxes, statutory tax withholding requirements and classification on the statement of cash flows. ASU No. 2016-09 will be effective for the Company in fiscal year 2017. While reducing the complexity of the accounting for share based-payments, ASU No. 2016-09 is expected to impact net income, earnings per share and presentation of cash flows.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02: "Leases (Topic 842)" ("ASU No. 2016-02"). ASU No. 2016-02 requires the lease rights and obligations arising from lease contracts, including existing and new arrangements, to be recognized as assets and liabilities on the balance sheet. ASU No. 2016-02 is effective for the Company in fiscal year 2019 and must be adopted using a modified retrospective approach. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of ASU No. 2016-02 will have on its financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

In August 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-15: "Presentation of Financial Statements-Going Concern (Subtopic 205-40): Disclosure of Uncertainties about an Entity's Ability to Continue as a Going Concern" ("ASU No. 2014-15"). ASU No. 2014-15 will explicitly require management to evaluate whether there is substantial doubt about an entity's ability to continue as a going concern, and to provide related footnote disclosures in certain circumstances. The new standard is applicable for all entities and will be effective for the Company's fiscal year 2016 annual reporting period. The Company does not expect ASU No. 2014-15 to have a material impact on its financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09 "Revenue Recognition (Topic 606), Revenue from Contracts with Customers" ("ASU No. 2014-09"). ASU No. 2014-09 provides a single source of guidance for revenue arising from contracts with customers and supersedes current revenue recognition standards. Under ASU No. 2014-09, revenue is

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED) - Continued

recognized in an amount that reflects the consideration an entity expects to receive for the transfer of goods and services. ASU No. 2014-09, as amended, will be effective for the Company in fiscal year 2018 and is applied retrospectively to each period presented or as a cumulative effect adjustment at the date of adoption. The Company has not selected a transition method and is evaluating the impact this guidance will have on its financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

Recent accounting guidance not discussed above is not applicable, did not have, or is not expected to have a material impact to the Company.

Reclassifications - The Company reclassified certain items in the accompanying consolidated financial statements for prior periods to be comparable with the classification for the current period. These reclassifications had no effect on previously reported net income.

2. Impairments, Disposals and Exit Costs

The components of Provision for impaired assets and restaurant closings are as follows:

THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED					THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED			
SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		SEPTEMBER 27, 201		
			_		_			
\$	5,267	\$	1,637	\$	5,348	\$	3,043	
	_		_		39,636		_	
						_	746	
\$	5,267	\$	1,637	\$	44,984	\$	3,789	
			_		_			
\$	(524)	\$	(20)	\$	4,325	\$	1,754	
	_		65		(126)		6,172	
\$	(524)	\$	45	\$	4,199	\$	7,926	
\$	4,743	\$	1,682	\$	49,183	\$	11,715	
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Outback Steakhouse South Korea - On July 25, 2016, the Company completed the sale of its Outback Steakhouse subsidiary in South Korea ("Outback Steakhouse South Korea") for a purchase price of \$50.0 million, in cash. In the second quarter of 2016, the Company recognized an impairment charge of \$39.6 million, including costs to sell of \$3.3 million, within the International segment. The Company also recognized tax expense of (\$1.1) million and \$2.4 million for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, respectively, with respect to undistributed earnings in South Korea that were previously considered to be permanently reinvested.

During the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, the Company recognized a gain on the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea of \$2.1 million within Other income (expense), net in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss), primarily due to a change in foreign currency exchange rates subsequent to the Company's second fiscal quarter. After completion of the sale, the Company's restaurant locations in South Korea are operated as franchises under an agreement with the buyer.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED) - Continued

Following are the components of Outback Steakhouse South Korea included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss) for the following periods:

		THIRTEEN V	NDED	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED				
(dollars in thousands)	SEPTEM	BER 25, 2016	SEPTI	EMBER 27, 2015	SEPTI	EMBER 25, 2016	SEP	TEMBER 27, 2015
Restaurant sales	\$	11,753	\$	41,909	\$	90,455	\$	128,276
Income (loss) before income taxes (1)	\$	2,246	\$	2,124	\$	(32,348)	\$	(1,050)

⁽¹⁾ Includes impairment charges of \$39.6 million for Assets held for sale during the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016. Includes a gain of \$2.1 million on the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea for the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016.

Bonefish Restructuring - On February 12, 2016, the Company decided to close 14 Bonefish restaurants ("Bonefish Restructuring"). The Company expects to substantially complete these restaurant closings through the first quarter of 2019. The Company currently expects to incur additional charges of approximately \$3.5 million to \$6.1 million over the next five years, including costs associated with lease obligations, employee terminations and other closure-related obligations. Following is a summary of estimated pre-tax expense by type:

(dollars in millions)		ESTIMA	TED EXPEN	NSE
Lease-related liabilities, net	·	\$ 3.2	to \$	5.2
Employee severance and other obligations		\$ 0.3	to \$	0.9

Total future cash expenditures of \$10.1 million to \$12.3 million, primarily related to lease liabilities, are expected to occur through October 2024.

Restaurant Closure Initiatives - During 2014, the Company decided to close 36 underperforming international locations, primarily in South Korea (the "International Restaurant Closure Initiative"). In 2013, the Company decided to close 22 underperforming domestic locations (the "Domestic Restaurant Closure Initiative").

Following is a summary of expenses related to the Bonefish Restructuring and International and Domestic Restaurant Closure Initiatives recognized in Provision for impaired assets and restaurant closings in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss) for the periods indicated:

	THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED					THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED			
(dollars in thousands)		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		TEMBER 27, 2015	
Impairment, facility closure and other expenses									
Bonefish Restructuring	\$	(685)	\$	_	\$	3,695	\$	_	
International Restaurant Closure Initiative		_		65		(124)		6,160	
Domestic Restaurant Closure Initiative		_		(20)		81		1,317	
Provision for impaired assets and restaurant closings	\$	(685)	\$	45	\$	3,652	\$	7,477	
Severance and other expenses									
Bonefish Restructuring	\$	_	\$	_	\$	601	\$	_	
International Restaurant Closure Initiative		_		140		23		1,713	
General and administrative	\$	_	\$	140	\$	624	\$	1,713	
Reversal of deferred rent liability	·			_					
Bonefish Restructuring	\$	(609)	\$	_	\$	(3,410)	\$	_	
International Restaurant Closure Initiative		_		_		_		(198)	
Other restaurant operating	\$	(609)	\$		\$	(3,410)	\$	(198)	
	\$	(1,294)	\$	185	\$	866	\$	8,992	
International Restaurant Closure Initiative	\$ \$	(609)			\$	(3,410)	\$	(198)	

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The following table summarizes the Company's accrual activity related to facility closure and other costs, primarily associated with the Bonefish Restructuring and Domestic and International Restaurant Closure Initiatives, during the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016:

(dollars in thousands)	 THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED
Beginning of the period	\$ 5,699
Charges	5,400
Cash payments	(4,284)
Adjustments	 (1,201)
End of the period (1)	\$ 5,614

⁽¹⁾ As of September 25, 2016, the Company had exit-related accruals of \$1.9 million recorded in Accrued and other current liabilities and \$3.7 million recorded in Other long-term liabilities, net in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Other Impairments - During the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, the Company recognized impairment charges of \$3.2 million for its Puerto Rico subsidiary, within the U.S. segment.

3. Earnings Per Share

The following table presents the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share:

		THIRTEEN W	VEEK	KS ENDED	THIRTY-NINE			NE WEEKS ENDED		
(in thousands, except per share data)	SEPT	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		6 SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		EPTEMBER 27, 2015
Net income attributable to Bloomin' Brands	\$	20,733	\$	16,811	\$	46,031	\$	109,625		
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding		109,399		121,567		113,553		123,337		
Effect of diluted securities:										
Stock options		2,720		2,966		2,719		3,071		
Nonvested restricted stock and restricted stock units		311		200		242		200		
Nonvested performance-based share units				_		2		2		
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding		112,430		124,733		116,516		126,610		
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.19	\$	0.14	\$	0.41	\$	0.89		
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.18	\$	0.13	\$	0.40	\$	0.87		

Dilutive securities outstanding not included in the computation of earnings per share because their effect was antidilutive were as follows:

	THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED			
(in thousands)	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015
Stock options	5,530	2,828	5,079	2,616
Nonvested restricted stock and restricted stock units	103	28	285	38
Nonvested performance-based share units	130	_	99	_

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4. Stock-based and Deferred Compensation Plans

Stock-based Compensation Plans

Equity Compensation Plans - On April 22, 2016, the Company's shareholders approved the Bloomin' Brands, Inc. 2016 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan (the "2016 Incentive Plan"). Following approval of the 2016 Incentive Plan, no further awards have been granted under the Company's previous equity compensation plans. Existing awards under previous plans continue to vest in accordance with the original vesting schedule and will expire at the end of their original term. The 2016 Incentive Plan permits the grant of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, performance awards and other cash-based or stock-based awards to Company management, other key employees, consultants and directors.

As of September 25, 2016, the maximum number of shares of common stock available for issuance pursuant to the 2016 Incentive Plan was 5,608,064.

Performance-based Share Units - During the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, the Company granted performance-based share units that vest after three years based on the achievement of certain Company performance criteria as set forth in the award agreement and may range from zero to 200% of the target grant.

The Company recognized stock-based compensation expense as follows:

	THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED				THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED			
(dollars in thousands)	SEPTE	MBER 25, 2016	SEPTE	MBER 27, 2015	SEPTE	MBER 25, 2016	SEPTE	MBER 27, 2015
Stock options	\$	2,929	\$	2,633	\$	8,971	\$	7,612
Restricted stock and restricted stock units		2,322		1,823		6,901		4,973
Performance-based share units		21		939		1,773		2,628
	\$	5,272	\$	5,395	\$	17,645	\$	15,213

During the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, the Company made grants to its employees of 3.2 million stock options, 1.0 million time-based restricted stock units and 0.4 million performance-based share units.

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Assumptions used in the Black-Scholes option pricing model and the weighted-average fair value of option awards granted were as follows:

	THIRTY-NINE WEEK ENDED	S
	SEPTEMBER 25, 201	6
Assumptions:		
Weighted-average risk-free interest rate (1)	1.3	%
Dividend yield (2)	1.6	%
Expected term (3)	6.1 years	
Weighted-average volatility (4)	35.2	%
Weighted-average grant date fair value per option	\$ 5.28	

- (1) Risk-free interest rate is the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect as of the grant date for periods within the contractual life of the option.
- (2) Dividend yield is the level of dividends expected to be paid on the Company's common stock over the expected term of the option.
- (3) Expected term represents the period of time that the options are expected to be outstanding. The simplified method of estimating the expected term is used since the Company does not have significant historical exercise experience for its stock options.
- (4) Volatility is based on the historical volatilities of the Company's stock and the stock of comparable peer companies.

The following represents unrecognized stock compensation expense and the remaining weighted-average vesting period as of September 25, 2016:

Stock options Restricted stock and restricted stock units	(UNRECOGNIZED COMPENSATION EXPENSE (dollars in thousands)	REMAINING WEIGHTED- AVERAGE VESTING PERIOD (in years)		
Stock options	\$	24,451	2.5		
Restricted stock and restricted stock units	\$	25,241	2.9		
Performance-based share units	\$	2,187	1.7		

5. Other Current Assets, Net

Other current assets, net, consisted of the following:

(dollars in thousands)	SEPTEM	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		MBER 27, 2015
Prepaid expenses	\$	26,787	\$	30,373
Accounts receivable - gift cards, net		12,864		115,926
Accounts receivable - vendors, net		8,693		10,310
Accounts receivable - franchisees, net		2,372		1,149
Accounts receivable - other, net		22,398		21,158
Assets held for sale		469		784
Other current assets, net		17,980		19,131
	\$	91,563	\$	198,831

6. Property, Fixtures and Equipment, Net

During the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, the Company entered into sale-leaseback transactions with third-parties in which it sold 88 restaurant properties at fair market value for gross proceeds of \$326.5 million. The Company recorded a deferred gain of \$97.2 million, primarily in Other long-term liabilities, net in its Consolidated Balance Sheet. Deferred gains from these sale-leaseback transactions are amortized to Other restaurant operating

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expense in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss) over the initial term of each lease, ranging from 15 to 20 years.

7. Goodwill and Intangible Assets, Net

Goodwill - The following table is a rollforward of goodwill:

(dollars in thousands)	U.S.		U.S. INTERNATIONAL		CC	ONSOLIDATED
Balance as of December 27, 2015	\$	172,711	\$	128,150	\$	300,861
Translation adjustments		_		15,893		15,893
Divestiture of business unit (1)		_		(1,901)		(1,901)
Transfer to Assets held for sale		(287)				(287)
Balance as of September 25, 2016	\$	172,424	\$	142,142	\$	314,566

⁽¹⁾ During the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, the Company disposed of Goodwill in connection with the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea.

The Company performed its annual assessment for impairment of goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets during the fiscal second quarters of 2016 and 2015. In connection with these assessments, the Company did not record any goodwill or indefinite-lived intangible impairment charges.

8. Other Assets, Net

Other assets, net, consisted of the following:

(dollars in thousands)	SEPTEMBER 25,	2016	DECEMBER 27,	2015
Company-owned life insurance	\$	74,373	\$	68,950
Deferred financing fees (1)		2,906		3,730
Liquor licenses		27,806		27,869
Assets held for sale		1,546		_
Other assets		24,032		47,322
	\$ 1	30,663	\$ 1	147,871

⁽¹⁾ Net of accumulated amortization of \$3.0 million and \$2.2 million as of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015, respectively.

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9. Long-term Debt, Net

Following is a summary of outstanding long-term debt:

	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016				DECEMBER 27, 2015			
(dollars in thousands)	0	UTSTANDING BALANCE	INTEREST RATE		OUTSTANDING BALANCE	INTEREST RATE		
Senior Secured Credit Facility:								
Term loan A (1)	\$	264,375	2.51%	\$	277,500	2.26%		
Term loan A-1		143,438	2.45%		150,000	2.34%		
Revolving credit facility (1)		646,000	2.48%		432,000	2.29%		
Total Senior Secured Credit Facility	\$	1,053,813		\$	859,500			
PRP Mortgage Loan (2)	\$	172,840	2.96%	\$	_	%		
2012 CMBS loan:								
First mortgage loan (1)	\$	_	%	\$	289,588	4.13%		
First mezzanine loan		_	%		84,028	9.00%		
Second mezzanine loan			%		85,353	11.25%		
Total 2012 CMBS loan	\$	_		\$	458,969			
Capital lease obligations	\$	2,495		\$	2,632			
Other long-term debt		3,006	0.00% to 7.60%		2,292	0.73% to 7.60%		
Less: unamortized debt discount and issuance costs		(6,546)			(6,529)			
	\$	1,225,608		\$	1,316,864			
Less: current portion of long-term debt, net		(39,551)			(31,853)			
Long-term debt, net	\$	1,186,057		\$	1,285,011			

⁽¹⁾ Represents the weighted-average interest rate for the respective period.

PRP Mortgage Loan - On February 11, 2016, New Private Restaurant Partners, LLC, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company ("PRP"), as borrower, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as lender (the "Lender"), entered into a loan agreement (the "PRP Mortgage Loan"), pursuant to which PRP borrowed \$300.0 million. The PRP Mortgage Loan has an initial maturity date of February 11, 2018 (the "Initial Maturity") with an option to extend the Initial Maturity for one twelve-month extension period (the "Extension") provided that certain conditions are satisfied. The PRP Mortgage Loan is collateralized by certain properties owned by PRP ("Collateral Properties"). PRP has also made negative pledges with respect to certain properties ("Unencumbered Properties").

The proceeds of the PRP Mortgage Loan were used, together with borrowings under the Company's revolving credit facility, to prepay a portion, and fully defease the remainder, of the 2012 CMBS loan. In connection with the defeasance, the Company recognized a loss of \$26.6 million during the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016. Following the defeasance of the 2012 CMBS loan, \$19.3 million of restricted cash was released.

The PRP Mortgage Loan bears interest, payable monthly, at a variable rate equal to 250 basis points above the seven-day LIBOR, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances.

At the time of the Amendment, the PRP Mortgage Loan was collateralized by 105 properties owned by PRP. The PRP Mortgage Loan permits the Company to refinance or sell the Collateral Properties and the Unencumbered Properties, subject to certain terms and conditions, including that specified release proceeds are applied against the outstanding loan balance.

⁽²⁾ Subsequent to September 25, 2016, the Company made payments on its PRP Mortgage Loan with proceeds from sale-leaseback transactions. See Note 18 - Subsequent Events for further details.

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On July 27, 2016, PRP and the Lender, entered into a First Amendment (the "Amendment") to the PRP Mortgage Loan to provide for additional borrowings of \$69.5 million, increasing the outstanding loan balance as of the date of the Amendment from \$189.3 million to \$258.8 million. In connection with the modification, the Company recognized a loss of \$0.4 million during the thirteen and thirtynine weeks ended September 25, 2016.

Deferred Financing Fees - During the first and third quarters of 2016, the Company deferred \$5.3 million and \$0.5 million of financing costs incurred in connection with the PRP Mortgage Loan and the Amendment, respectively. The deferred financing costs are included in Long-term debt, net in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Debt Covenants - As of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015, the Company was in compliance with its debt covenants.

10. Other Long-term Liabilities, Net

Other long-term liabilities, net, consisted of the following:

(dollars in thousands)	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		DEC	EMBER 27, 2015
Accrued insurance liability	\$	39,125	\$	40,649
Unfavorable leases (1)		42,726		45,375
Chef and Restaurant Managing Partner deferred compensation obligations and deposits		114,094		134,470
Deferred gain on sale-leaseback transactions (2)		121,478		33,154
Other long-term liabilities		42,691		41,014
	\$	360,114	\$	294,662

⁽¹⁾ Net of accumulated amortization of \$32.0 million and \$29.8 million as of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015, respectively.

11. Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests

The Company consolidates subsidiaries in Brazil and China, each of which have noncontrolling interests that are permitted to deliver subsidiary shares in exchange for cash at a future date. The following table presents a rollforward of Redeemable noncontrolling interests during the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 and September 27, 2015:

	WEEKS ENDED		
SEPTE	MBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015	
\$	23,526	\$	24,733
	1,349		2,877
	4,509		(2,752)
	595		934
	(3,887)		(459)
	_		(9,232)
	_		8,671
\$	26,092	\$	24,772
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⁽¹⁾ In the third quarter of 2015, the Company identified and corrected errors in accounting for the allocation of foreign currency translation adjustments to Redeemable noncontrolling interests and fair value adjustments for Redeemable noncontrolling interests.

⁽²⁾ Net of accumulated amortization of \$11.4 million and \$8.1 million as of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015, respectively.

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Brazil Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests - Certain former equity holders (the "Former Equity Holders") of PGS Consultoria e Serviços Ltda. (the "Brazil Joint Venture") have options to sell their remaining interests to OB Brasil (the "put options") and OB Brasil has options to purchase such remaining interests (the "call options" and together with the put options, the "Options"), in various amounts and at various times through 2018, subject to acceleration in certain circumstances. The purchase price under each of the Options is based on a multiple of adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization of the business, subject to a possible fair market value adjustment. The Options are embedded features within the noncontrolling interest and are classified within the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheets as Redeemable noncontrolling interests.

During the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, certain Former Equity Holders exercised options to sell their remaining interests to the Company for \$2.5 million. These transactions resulted in a reduction of \$3.9 million of Mezzanine equity and an increase of \$1.4 million of Additional paid-in capital during the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016. As a result of the option exercise, the Company now owns 91.37% of the Brazil Joint Venture.

12. Stockholders' Equity

Share Repurchases - In August 2015, the Board of Directors ("the Board") approved a share repurchase program (the "2015 Share Repurchase Program") under which the Company was authorized to repurchase up to \$100.0 million of its outstanding common stock. The Board canceled the remaining \$30.0 million of authorization under the 2015 Share Repurchase Program and approved a new \$250.0 million authorization (the "2016 Share Repurchase Program") on February 12, 2016.

On July 26, 2016, the Board canceled the remaining \$110.1 million of authorization under the 2016 Share Repurchase Program and approved a new \$300.0 million authorization (the "July 2016 Share Repurchase Program"). The July 2016 Share Repurchase Program will expire on January 26, 2018.

Following is a summary of the shares repurchased under the Company's share repurchase programs during fiscal year 2016:

	NUMBER OF SHARES (in thousands)	RE	AVERAGE PURCHASE PRICE PER SHARE	(dol	AMOUNT llars in thousands)
Thirteen weeks ended March 27, 2016	4,399	\$	17.05	\$	75,000
Thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2016	3,376	\$	19.22		64,892
Thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016	7,056	\$	19.13		135,000
Total common stock repurchases	14,831	\$	18.53	\$	274,892

Dividends - The Company declared and paid dividends per share during the periods presented as follows:

	DIVIDENDS PER SHARE	(de	AMOUNT ollars in thousands)
Thirteen weeks ended March 27, 2016	\$ 0.07	\$	8,238
Thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2016	0.07		7,978
Thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016	0.07		7,765
Total cash dividends declared and paid	\$ 0.21	\$	23,981

In October 2016, the Board declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.07 per share, payable on November 22, 2016, to shareholders of record at the close of business on November 9, 2016.

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Acquisition of Noncontrolling Interests - During the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, the Company purchased the remaining partnership interests in certain of the Company's limited partnerships for five Outback Steakhouse restaurants for an aggregate purchase price of \$3.4 million. These transactions resulted in a reduction of \$2.5 million, net of tax, in Additional paid-in capital in the Company's Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity during the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016.

The following table sets forth the effect of the acquisition of the limited partnership interests on stockholders' equity attributable to Bloomin' Brands for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016:

		NCOME ATTRIB BRANDS AND NONCONTROL	TRANSFER	RS TO			
		TEEN WEEKS ENDED	THIRTY-NINE WEEK ENDED				
(dollars in thousands)	SEPTE	MBER 25, 2016	SEPTEM	MBER 25, 2016			
Net income attributable to Bloomin' Brands	\$	20,733	\$	46,031			
Transfers to noncontrolling interests:			,				
Decrease in Bloomin' Brands additional paid-in capital for purchase of limited partnership interests		(1,655)		(2,475)			
Change from net income attributable to Bloomin' Brands and transfers to noncontrolling interests	\$	19,078	\$	43,556			

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss - Following are the components of Accumulated other comprehensive loss ("AOCL"):

(dollars in thousands)	SEPTEMBE	R 25, 2016	DECEMBER 27, 2015		
Foreign currency translation adjustment (1)	\$	(87,445)	\$	(141,176)	
Unrealized losses on derivatives, net of tax		(7,539)		(6,191)	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	\$	(94,984)	\$	(147,367)	

⁽¹⁾ During the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, approximately \$16.8 million of the foreign currency translation adjustment in Accumulated other comprehensive loss was disposed of in connection with the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea.

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Following are the components of Other comprehensive income (loss) during the periods presented:

		THIRTEEN W	EEKS I	ENDED	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED				
(dollars in thousands)	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		SEPTI	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		MBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		
Bloomin' Brands:									
Foreign currency translation adjustment	\$	43,457	\$	(31,415)	\$	53,731	\$	(83,059)	
Out-of period adjustment - foreign currency translation (1)		_		9,232		_		9,232	
Total foreign currency translation adjustment	\$	43,457	\$	(22,183)	\$	53,731	\$	(73,827)	
Unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives, net of tax (2)	\$	672	\$	(3,884)	\$	(4,250)	\$	(7,052)	
Reclassification of adjustment for loss on derivatives included in Net income, net of tax (2)		947		1,115		2,902		1,115	
Total unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives, net of tax	\$	1,619	\$	(2,769)	\$	(1,348)	\$	(5,937)	
Other comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Bloomin' Brands	\$	45,076	\$	(24,952)	\$	52,383	\$	(79,764)	
Non-controlling interests:									
Foreign currency translation adjustment	\$	(65)	\$	10	\$	(89)	\$	10	
Other comprehensive (loss) income attributable to Non-controlling interests	\$	(65)	\$	10	\$	(89)	\$	10	
Redeemable non-controlling interests:									
Foreign currency translation adjustment	\$	2,079	\$	(2,752)	\$	4,509	\$	(2,752)	
Out-of period adjustment - foreign currency translation (1)		_		(9,232)		_		(9,232)	
Total foreign currency translation adjustment	\$	2,079	\$	(11,984)	\$	4,509	\$	(11,984)	
Other comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Redeemable non-controlling interests	\$	2,079	\$	(11,984)	\$	4,509	\$	(11,984)	

⁽¹⁾ In the third quarter of 2015, the Company identified and corrected errors in accounting for the allocation of foreign currency translation adjustments to Redeemable noncontrolling interests.

⁽²⁾ Amounts attributable to Bloomin' Brands are net of tax (expense) benefit during the periods presented:

		THIRTEEN W	EEK	S ENDED		THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED				
(dollars in thousands)	SEPTEMI	BER 25, 2016	S	EPTEMBER 27, 2015	SE	EPTEMBER 25, 2016	S	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		
Tax (expense) benefit from unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives	\$	(424)	\$	2,483	\$	2,735	\$	4,509		
Tax benefit from reclassification of adjustments for losses on derivatives included in Net income	\$	598	\$	713	\$	1,854	\$	713		

13. Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

Interest Rate Risk - The Company is exposed to certain risks arising from both its business operations and economic conditions. The Company manages economic risks, including interest rate risk, primarily by managing the amount, sources and duration of its debt funding and through the use of derivative financial instruments. The Company's objectives in using interest rate derivatives are to add stability to interest expense and to manage its exposure to interest rate movements. To accomplish these objectives, the Company primarily uses interest rate swaps.

Currency Exchange Rate Risk - The Company is exposed to foreign currency exchange rate risk arising from transactions and balances denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar. The Company may use foreign currency forward contracts to manage certain foreign currency exposures.

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DESIGNATED HEDGES

Cash Flow Hedges of Interest Rate Risk - On September 9, 2014, the Company entered into variable-to-fixed interest rate swap agreements with eight counterparties to hedge a portion of the cash flows of the Company's variable rate debt. The swap agreements have an aggregate notional amount of \$400.0 million, a start date of June 30, 2015, and mature on May 16, 2019. Under the terms of the swap agreements, the Company pays a weighted-average fixed rate of 2.02% on the \$400.0 million notional amount and receives payments from the counterparty based on the 30-day LIBOR rate.

The interest rate swaps, which have been designated and qualify as a cash flow hedge, are recognized on the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheets at fair value and are classified based on the instruments' maturity dates. Fair value changes in the interest rate swaps are recognized in AOCL for all effective portions. Balances in AOCL are subsequently reclassified to earnings in the same period that the hedged interest payments affect earnings. The Company estimates \$5.4 million will be reclassified to interest expense over the next twelve months.

The following table presents the fair value, accrued interest and classification of the Company's interest rate swaps:

(dollars in thousands)	SEPTE	PTEMBER 25, 2016 DECEMBER 27, 2015 C		ECEMBER 27, 2015	CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET CLASSIFICATION
Interest rate swaps - liability	\$	5,021	\$	5,142	Accrued and other current liabilities
Interest rate swaps - liability		7,357		5,007	Other long-term liabilities, net
Total fair value of derivative instruments (1)	\$	12,378	\$	10,149	
Accrued interest	\$	432	\$	556	Accrued and other current liabilities

⁽¹⁾ See Note 14 - Fair Value Measurements for fair value discussion of the interest rate swaps.

The following table summarizes the effects of the interest rate swap on Net income for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 and September 27, 2015:

	THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED					THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED				
(dollars in thousands)	SEPTE	MBER 25, 2016	SEPT	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		EMBER 27, 2015		
Interest rate swap expense recognized in Interest expense, net (1)	\$	(1,545)	\$	(1,828)	\$	(4,756)	\$	(1,828)		
Income tax benefit recognized in Provision for income taxes		598		713		1,854		713		
Total effects of the interest rate swaps on Net income	\$	(947)	\$	(1,115)	\$	(2,902)	\$	(1,115)		

⁽¹⁾ During the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 and September 27, 2015, the Company did not recognize any gain or loss as a result of hedge ineffectiveness.

The Company records its derivatives on the Consolidated Balance Sheets on a gross balance basis. The Company's derivatives are subject to master netting arrangements. As of September 25, 2016, the Company did not have more than one derivative between the same counterparties and as such, there was no netting.

By utilizing the interest rate swaps, the Company is exposed to credit-related losses in the event that the counterparty fails to perform under the terms of the derivative contract. To mitigate this risk, the Company enters into derivative contracts with major financial institutions based upon credit ratings and other factors. The Company continually assesses the creditworthiness of its counterparties. As of September 25, 2016, all counterparties to the interest rate swaps had performed in accordance with their contractual obligations.

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The Company has agreements with each of its derivative counterparties that contain a provision where the Company could be declared in default on its derivative obligations if the repayment of the underlying indebtedness is accelerated by the lender due to the Company's default on indebtedness.

As of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015, the fair value of the Company's interest rate swaps in a net liability position, including accrued interest but excluding any adjustment for nonperformance risk, was \$13.0 million and \$10.9 million, respectively. As of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015, the Company has not posted any collateral related to these agreements. If the Company had breached any of these provisions as of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015, it could have been required to settle its obligations under the agreements at their termination value of \$13.0 million and \$10.9 million, respectively.

14. Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is the price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability, or the exit price, in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. Fair value is categorized into one of the following three levels based on the lowest level of significant input:

Level 1	Unadjusted quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
Level 2	Observable inputs available at measurement date other than quoted prices included in Level 1
Level 3	Unobservable inputs that cannot be corroborated by observable market data

Fair Value Measurements on a Recurring Basis - The following table summarizes the Company's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value by hierarchy level on a recurring basis as of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015:

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		5	SEPTI	EMBER 25, 20	16		1	DECI	DECEMBER 27, 2015			
(dollars in thousands)		TOTAL		LEVEL 1		LEVEL 2	TOTAL		LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2		
Assets:												
Cash equivalents:												
Fixed income funds	\$	138	\$	138	\$	_	\$ 6,333	\$	6,333	\$	_	
Money market funds		18,979		18,979		_	7,168		7,168		_	
Restricted cash equivalents:												
Fixed income funds		552		552		_	551		551		_	
Money market funds		251		251		_	2,681		2,681		_	
Other current assets, net:												
Derivative instruments - foreign currency forward contracts		_		_		_	59		_		59	
Total asset recurring fair value measurements	\$	19,920	\$	19,920	\$	_	\$ 16,792	\$	16,733	\$	59	
Liabilities:												
Accrued and other current liabilities:												
Derivative instruments - interest rate swaps	\$	5,021	\$	_	\$	5,021	\$ 5,142	\$	_	\$	5,142	
Derivative instruments - commodities		264		_		264	583		_		583	
Derivative instruments - foreign currency forward contracts		_		_		_	703		_		703	
Other long-term liabilities:												
Derivative instruments - interest rate swaps		7,357		_		7,357	5,007		_		5,007	
Total liability recurring fair value measurements	\$	12,642	\$		\$	12,642	\$ 11,435	\$		\$	11,435	

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Fair value of each class of financial instrument is determined based on the following:

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT	METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS
Fixed income funds and Money market funds	Carrying value approximates fair value because maturities are less than three months.
Derivative instruments	The Company's derivative instruments include interest rate swaps, foreign currency forward contracts and commodities. Fair value measurements are based on the contractual terms of the derivatives and use observable market-based inputs. The interest rate swaps are valued using a discounted cash flow analysis on the expected cash flows of each derivative using observable inputs including interest rate curves and credit spreads. The foreign currency forwards are valued by comparing the contracted forward exchange rate to the current market exchange rate. Key inputs for the valuation of the foreign currency forwards are spot rates, foreign currency forward rates, and the interest rate curve of the domestic currency. The Company incorporates credit valuation adjustments to reflect both its own nonperformance risk and the respective counterparty's nonperformance risk in the fair value measurements. As of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015, the Company has determined that the credit valuation adjustments are not significant to the overall valuation of its derivatives.

Fair Value Measurements on a Nonrecurring Basis - Assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis relate primarily to property, fixtures and equipment, goodwill and other intangible assets, which are remeasured when carrying value exceeds fair value. The following table summarizes the Company's assets measured at fair value by hierarchy level on a nonrecurring basis:

		THIRTEEN W			THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED				
		SEPTEMBI	ER 2		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016				
(dollars in thousands)	CARRYING VALUE (1)			TOTAL IMPAIRMENT	CARI	RYING VALUE (1)	TOTAL IMPAIRMENT		
Assets held for sale	\$	1,356	\$	3,209	\$	45,351	\$	42,926	
Property, fixtures and equipment		12,064		2,058		12,064		2,058	
	\$	13,420	\$	5,267	\$	57,415	\$	44,984	

		THIRTEEN W SEPTEMBI			THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED SEPTEMBER 27, 2015			
(dollars in thousands)	CARRYING VALUE (2)			TOTAL IMPAIRMENT	CARRYING VALUE (2)		TOTAL	IMPAIRMENT
Assets held for sale	\$	185	\$	44	\$	3,538	\$	1,072
Property, fixtures and equipment		1,624		1,593		2,574		2,717
	\$	1,809	\$	1,637	\$	6,112	\$	3,789

⁽¹⁾ Carrying value approximates fair value with all assets measured using Level 2 inputs for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016. Sale contracts (Level 2) were used to estimate the fair value.

Interim Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments - The Company's non-derivative financial instruments as of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015 consist of cash equivalents, restricted cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and current and long-term debt. The fair values of cash equivalents, restricted cash, accounts receivable and accounts payable approximate their carrying amounts reported in the Consolidated Balance Sheets due to their short duration.

⁽²⁾ Carrying value approximates fair value with all assets measured using Level 2 inputs for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015. A third-party market appraisal (Level 2) and a purchase contract (Level 2) were used to estimate the fair value.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED) - Continued

Debt is carried at amortized cost; however, the Company estimates the fair value of debt for disclosure purposes. The following table includes the carrying value and fair value of the Company's debt by hierarchy level as of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015:

		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016			DECEMBER 27, 2015							
				FAIR VALUE						FAIR VALUE		
(dollars in thousands)	C	CARRYING VALUE				LEVEL 3	CARRYING VALUE			LEVEL 2		LEVEL 3
Senior Secured Credit Facility:												
Term loan A	\$	264,375	\$	263,384	\$	_	\$	277,500	\$	276,459	\$	_
Term loan A-1		143,438		142,900		_		150,000		149,438		_
Revolving credit facility		646,000		641,155		_		432,000		429,300		_
PRP Mortgage Loan		172,840		_		172,840		_		_		_
2012 CMBS loan:												
Mortgage loan		_		_		_		289,588		_		293,222
First mezzanine loan		_		_		_		84,028		_		83,608
Second mezzanine loan		_		_		_		85,353		_		85,780
Other notes payable		1,653		_		1,572		931		_		918

Fair value of debt is determined based on the following:

DEBT FACILITY	METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS
Senior Secured Credit Facility	Quoted market prices in inactive markets.
PRP Mortgage Loan and 2012 CMBS Loan	Assumptions derived from current conditions in the real estate and credit markets, changes in the underlying collateral and expectations of management.
Other notes payable	Discounted cash flow approach. Discounted cash flow inputs primarily include cost of debt rates which are used to derive the present value factors for the determination of fair value.

15. Income Taxes

		THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED				THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED				
(dollars in thousands)		EMBER 25, 2016	SEPT	EMBER 27, 2015	SEPT	EMBER 25, 2016	SEPT	EMBER 27, 2015		
Income before provision for income taxes	\$	23,178	\$	23,607	\$	73,418	\$	154,100		
Provision for income taxes	\$	1,950	\$	6,202	\$	24,372	\$	41,557		
Effective income tax rate		8.4%		26.3%		33.2%		27.0%		

The net decrease in the effective income tax rate for the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 was primarily due to: (i) a decrease in the tax liability recorded in connection with the sale of Outback South Korea, (ii) a reduction of uncertain tax positions due to the expiration of statute of limitations and (iii) a change in the blend of taxable income across the Company's U.S. and international subsidiaries.

The net increase in the effective income tax rate for the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 was primarily due to the change in the blend of taxable income across the Company's U.S. and international subsidiaries and the recording of additional tax liabilities, including incremental taxes on earnings that were previously considered permanently reinvested, in connection with the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea.

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16. Commitments and Contingencies

Litigation and Other Matters - The Company had \$4.2 million and \$4.5 million of liabilities recorded for various legal matters as of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015, respectively.

On October 4, 2013, two then-current employees (the "Nevada Plaintiffs") filed a purported collective action lawsuit against the Company, OSI Restaurant Partners, LLC ("OSI"), and two of its subsidiaries in the U.S. District Court for the District of Nevada (Cardoza, et al. v. Bloomin' Brands, Inc., et al., Case No.: 2:13-cv-01820-JAD-NJK). The complaint alleges violations of the Fair Labor Standards Act by requiring employees to work off the clock, complete on-line training without pay, and attend meetings in the restaurant without pay. The nationwide collective action permitted all hourly employees in all Outback Steakhouse restaurants to join. The suit seeks an unspecified amount in back pay for the employees that joined the lawsuit, an equal amount in liquidated damages, costs, expenses and attorney's fees. The Nevada Plaintiffs also filed a companion lawsuit in Nevada state court alleging that the Company violated the state break time rules. In November 2015, the Company reached a tentative settlement agreement resolving all claims and the cost of class administration for \$3.2 million. The parties submitted the settlement to the Court for approval in February 2016 and received conditional approval on April 11, 2016. The Company expects final approval of the settlement in the fourth quarter of 2016.

In addition, the Company is subject to legal proceedings, claims and liabilities, such as liquor liability, sexual harassment and slip and fall cases, which arise in the ordinary course of business and are generally covered by insurance if they exceed specified retention or deductible amounts. In the opinion of management, the amount of ultimate liability with respect to those actions will not have a material adverse impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations and cash flows.

17. Segment Reporting

The Company has two reportable segments, U.S. and International, which reflects how the Company manages its business, reviews operating performance and allocates resources. The U.S. segment includes all brands operating in the U.S. while brands operating outside the U.S. are included in the International segment. Resources are allocated and performance is assessed by the Company's Chief Executive Officer ("CEO"), whom the Company has determined to be its Chief Operating Decision Maker ("CODM"). Following is a summary of reporting segments:

- 1	SEGMENT	CONCEPT	GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION				
	U.S.	Outback Steakhouse					
		Carrabba's Italian Grill	United States of America including December Disc				
		Bonefish Grill	United States of America, including Puerto Rico				
		Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar					
Ī	International	Outback Steakhouse (1)	Brazil, South Korea, Hong Kong, China				
		Carrabba's Italian Grill (Abbraccio)	Brazil				

(1) Includes international franchise locations.

Segment accounting policies are the same as those described in Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2015. Revenues for all segments include only transactions with customers and include no intersegment revenues. Excluded from net income from operations for U.S. and International are certain legal and corporate costs not directly related to the performance of the segments, interest and other expenses related to the Company's credit agreements and derivative instruments, certain stock-based compensation expenses and certain bonus expenses.

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Prior to 2016, certain insurance expenses were not allocated to the Company's concepts as these expenses were reviewed and evaluated on a Company-wide basis and therefore, these costs were excluded from segment restaurant-level operating margin and income from operations. In 2016, the Company's management changed how insurance expenses related to its restaurants are reviewed and now considers those costs when evaluating the operating performance of the Company's concepts. Accordingly, the Company has recast all prior period segment information to reflect this change.

The following table is a summary of Total revenue by segment:

		THIRTEEN V	VEEKS ENDED	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED			
(dollars in thousands)		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		
Total revenues	_						
U.S.	\$	893,906	\$ 902,453	\$ 2,896,666	\$ 2,947,445		
International		111,481	124,268	351,497	380,932		
Total revenues	\$	1,005,387	\$ 1,026,721	\$ 3,248,163	\$ 3,328,377		

The following table is a reconciliation of Segment income (loss) from operations to Income before provision for income taxes:

		THIRTEEN W	NDED		SENDED			
(dollars in thousands)		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		EMBER 27, 2015
Segment income (loss) from operations								
U.S.	\$	61,905	\$	63,476	\$	268,754	\$	287,936
International		8,277		9,770		(14,947)		24,376
Total segment income from operations		70,182		73,246		253,807		312,312
Unallocated corporate operating expense		(38,448)		(34,522)		(122,056)		(113,302)
Total income from operations		31,734		38,724		131,751		199,010
Loss on defeasance, extinguishment and modification of debt		(418)		_		(26,998)		(2,638)
Other income (expense), net		2,079		(266)		2,059		(1,356)
Interest expense, net		(10,217)		(14,851)		(33,394)		(40,916)
Income before provision for income taxes	\$	23,178	\$	23,607	\$	73,418	\$	154,100

The following table is a summary of Depreciation and amortization expense by segment:

		THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED				THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED			
(dollars in thousands)	SEPTEMB	ER 25, 2016	SEPTE	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		TEMBER 27, 2015	
Depreciation and amortization									
U.S.	\$	39,346	\$	38,025	\$	116,508	\$	112,410	
International		5,978		6,507		19,479		20,033	
Corporate		3,227		2,923		9,219		8,873	
Total depreciation and amortization	\$	48,551	\$	47,455	\$	145,206	\$	141,316	

18. Subsequent Events

Subsequent to September 25, 2016, the Company entered into sale-leaseback transactions with third-parties in which it sold 59 restaurant properties at fair market value for gross proceeds of \$187.0 million. The Company then simultaneously leased these properties under a master lease. In connection with these transactions, the Company made

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payments of \$121.9 million on its PRP Mortgage Loan. The remaining \$50.9 million of the PRP Mortgage Loan balance is due on the Initial Maturity date unless the the Company exercises the Extension.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our unaudited consolidated financial statements and the related notes. Unless the context otherwise indicates, as used in this report, the term the "Company," "we," "us," "our" and other similar terms mean Bloomin' Brands, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

Cautionary Statement

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (the "Report") includes statements that express our opinions, expectations, beliefs, plans, objectives, assumptions or projections regarding future events or future results and therefore are, or may be deemed to be, "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These forward-looking statements can generally be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology, including the terms "believes," "estimates," "anticipates," "expects," "feels," "seeks," "forecasts," "projects," "intends," "plans," "may," "will," "should," "could" or "would" or, in each case, their negative or other variations or comparable terminology, although not all forward-looking statements are accompanied by such terms. These forward-looking statements include all matters that are not historical facts. They appear in a number of places throughout this Report and include statements regarding our intentions, beliefs or current expectations concerning, among other things, our results of operations, financial condition, liquidity, prospects, growth, strategies and the industry in which we operate.

By their nature, forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties because they relate to events and depend on circumstances that may or may not occur in the future. Although we base these forward-looking statements on assumptions that we believe are reasonable when made, we caution you that forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and that our actual results of operations, financial condition and liquidity, and industry developments may differ materially from statements made in or suggested by the forward-looking statements contained in this Report. In addition, even if our results of operations, financial condition and liquidity, and industry developments are consistent with the forward-looking statements contained in this Report, those results or developments may not be indicative of results or developments in subsequent periods. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from statements made or suggested by forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (i) Our ability to preserve and grow the reputation and value of our brands;
- (ii) Economic conditions and their effects on consumer confidence and discretionary spending, consumer traffic, the cost and availability of credit and interest rates;
- (iii) Our ability to compete in the highly competitive restaurant industry with many well-established competitors and new market entrants;
- (iv) Consumer reactions to public health and food safety issues;
- (v) Our ability to comply with governmental laws and regulations, the costs of compliance with such laws and regulations and the effects of changes to applicable laws and regulations, including tax laws and unanticipated liabilities;
- (vi) Minimum wage increases and additional mandated employee benefits;
- (vii) Fluctuations in the price and availability of commodities;

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS - Continued

- (viii) Our ability to implement our expansion, remodeling and relocation plans due to uncertainty in locating and acquiring attractive sites on acceptable terms, obtaining required permits and approvals, recruiting and training necessary personnel, obtaining adequate financing and estimating the performance of newly opened, remodeled or relocated restaurants;
- (ix) Our ability to protect our information technology systems from interruption or security breach and to protect consumer data and personal employee information;
- (x) The effects of international economic, political and social conditions and legal systems on our foreign operations and on foreign currency exchange rates;
- (xi) Seasonal and periodic fluctuations in our results and the effects of significant adverse weather conditions and other disasters or unforeseen events:
- (xii) Our ability to effectively respond to changes in patterns of consumer traffic, consumer tastes and dietary habits;
- (xiii) Strategic actions, including acquisitions and dispositions, and our success in integrating any newly acquired or newly created businesses.
- (xiv) The effects of our substantial leverage and restrictive covenants in our various credit facilities on our ability to raise additional capital to fund our operations, to make capital expenditures to invest in new or renovate restaurants and to react to changes in the economy or our industry, and our exposure to interest rate risk in connection with our variable-rate debt;
- (xv) The adequacy of our cash flow and earnings and other conditions which may affect our ability to pay dividends and repurchase shares of our common stock; and
- (xvi) Such other factors as discussed in Part I, Item IA. Risk Factors of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2015.

In light of these risks and uncertainties, we caution you not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statement that we make in this Report speaks only as of the date of such statement, and we undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statement or to publicly announce the results of any revision to any of those statements to reflect future events or developments. Comparisons of results for current and any prior periods are not intended to express any future trends or indications of future performance, unless specifically expressed as such, and should only be viewed as historical data.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS - Continued

Overview

We are one of the largest casual dining restaurant companies in the world with a portfolio of leading, differentiated restaurant concepts. As of September 25, 2016, we owned and operated 1,270 restaurants and franchised 237 restaurants across 48 states, Puerto Rico, Guam and 20 countries. We have four founder-inspired concepts: Outback Steakhouse, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Bonefish Grill and Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar.

The casual dining restaurant industry is a highly competitive and fragmented industry and is sensitive to changes in the economy, trends in lifestyles, seasonality and fluctuating costs. Operating margins for restaurants can vary due to competitive pricing strategies, labor costs and fluctuations in prices of commodities and other necessities to operate a restaurant, such as natural gas or other energy supplies. Restaurant companies tend to be focused on increasing market share, comparable restaurant sales growth and new unit growth. Our industry is characterized by high initial capital investment, coupled with high labor costs. As a result, we focus on driving increased sales at existing restaurants in order to raise margins and profits, because the incremental contribution to profits from every additional dollar of sales above the minimum costs required to open, staff and operate a restaurant is relatively high. Historically, we have focused on restaurant growth with strong unit level economics.

Executive Summary

Our financial results for the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 ("third quarter of 2016") include the following:

- A decrease in total revenues of 2.1% to \$1.0 billion in the third quarter of 2016, as compared to the third quarter of 2015, was
 primarily due to the sale of 72 Outback Steakhouse South Korea restaurants in July 2016, partially offset by the net benefit of
 new restaurant openings and closings.
- Income from operations of \$31.7 million in the third quarter of 2016, as compared to \$38.7 million in the third quarter of 2015, decreased primarily due to lower operating margin at the restaurant-level and impairment charges related to our Puerto Rico subsidiary.

Following is a summary of significant actions we have taken and other factors that impacted our operating results and liquidity to date in 2016:

Sale-leaseback Transactions - During the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, we entered into sale-leaseback transactions with third-parties in which we sold 88 restaurant properties at fair market value for gross proceeds of \$326.5 million. Subsequent to September 25, 2016, we entered into sale-leaseback transactions with third-parties in which we sold 59 restaurant properties at fair market value for gross proceeds of \$187.0 million.

Sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea - On July 25, 2016, we sold Outback Steakhouse South Korea for \$50.0 million in cash and recognized an impairment charge of \$39.6 million during the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016. After completion of the sale, our restaurant locations in South Korea are operated as franchises.

Share Repurchase Programs - During the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, we repurchased 14.8 million shares of common stock for a total of \$274.9 million. We have \$165.0 million of remaining authorization under the July 2016 Share Repurchase Program.

PRP Mortgage Loan - In February 2016, PRP entered into the PRP Mortgage Loan, pursuant to which PRP borrowed \$300.0 million. The proceeds of the PRP Mortgage Loan were used, together with borrowings under our revolving credit facility, to prepay a portion, and fully defease the remainder, of the 2012 CMBS loan. In connection with the defeasance, we recognized a loss of \$26.6 million during the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016. In July 2016, PRP entered into an Amendment to the PRP Mortgage Loan to provide for additional borrowings of \$69.5 million. See Note 9 - Long-term Debt, Net of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further information.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS - Continued

Subsequent to September 25, 2016, we made payments of \$121.9 million on our PRP Mortgage Loan with proceeds from sale-leaseback transactions. As of the date of this filing, the PRP Mortgage Loan had a remaining balance of \$50.9 million.

Bonefish Restructuring - On February 12, 2016, we decided to close 14 Bonefish restaurants. We expect to substantially complete these restaurant closings by the first quarter of 2019. See Note 2 - Impairments, Disposals and Exit Costs of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further information.

Key Performance Indicators

Key measures that we use in evaluating our restaurants and assessing our business include the following:

- Average restaurant unit volumes—average sales per restaurant to measure changes in customer traffic, pricing and development of the brand:
- Comparable restaurant sales—year-over-year comparison of sales volumes for Company-owned restaurants that are open 18 months or more in order to remove the impact of new restaurant openings in comparing the operations of existing restaurants;
- System-wide sales—total restaurant sales volume for all Company-owned and franchise restaurants, regardless of ownership, to interpret the overall health of our brands;
- Adjusted restaurant-level operating margin, Adjusted income from operations, Adjusted net income and Adjusted diluted earnings per share—non-GAAP financial measures utilized to evaluate our operating performance, and for which definitions, usefulness and reconciliations are described in more detail in the "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" section below; and
- Customer satisfaction scores—measurement of our customers' experiences in a variety of key attributes.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS - Continued

Selected Operating Data

The table below presents the number of our restaurants in operation at the end of the periods indicated:

Number of restaurants (at end of the period):	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015
U.S.		
Outback Steakhouse		
Company-owned	651	649
Franchised	105	105
Total	756	754
Carrabba's Italian Grill		
Company-owned	243	244
Franchised	2	3
Total	245	247
Bonefish Grill		
Company-owned	204	208
Franchised	6	5
Total	210	213
Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar		
Company-owned	67	66
International		
Company-owned		
Outback Steakhouse - Brazil (1)	81	71
Outback Steakhouse - South Korea (2)	_	75
Other	24	14
Franchised		
Outback Steakhouse - South Korea (2)	72	_
Other	52	57
Total	229	217
System-wide total	1,507	1,497

The restaurant counts for Brazil are reported as of August 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively, to correspond with the balance sheet dates of this subsidiary. On July 25, 2016, we sold our restaurant locations in South Korea, converting all restaurants in that market to franchised locations. (1)

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS - Continued

Results of Operations

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the percentages of certain items in our Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss) in relation to Total revenues or Restaurant sales, as indicated:

	THIRTEEN W	EEKS ENDED	THIRTY-NINE	WEEKS ENDED	
	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015	
Revenues					
Restaurant sales	99.3 %	99.4 %	99.4 %	99.4 %	
Other revenues	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	
Total revenues	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Costs and expenses					
Cost of sales (1)	32.2	33.2	32.3	32.8	
Labor and other related (1)	29.0	28.1	28.6	27.6	
Other restaurant operating (1)	24.3	23.9	23.1	23.0	
Depreciation and amortization	4.8	4.6	4.5	4.2	
General and administrative	6.5	6.8	6.4	6.6	
Provision for impaired assets and restaurant closings	0.5	0.2	1.5	0.4	
Total costs and expenses	96.8	96.2	95.9	94.0	
Income from operations	3.2	3.8	4.1	6.0	
Loss on defeasance, extinguishment and modification of debt	(*)	_	(0.8)	(0.1)	
Other income (expense), net	0.2	(*)	*	(*)	
Interest expense, net	(1.1)	(1.5)	(1.0)	(1.3)	
Income before provision for income taxes	2.3	2.3	2.3	4.6	
Provision for income taxes	0.2	0.6	0.8	1.2	
Net income	2.1	1.7	1.5	3.4	
Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	*	0.1	0.1	0.1	
Net income attributable to Bloomin' Brands	2.1 %	1.6 %	1.4 %	3.3 %	

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As a percentage of Restaurant sales.
Less than 1/10th of one percent of Total revenues.

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RESTAURANT SALES

Following is a summary of the change in Restaurant sales for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016:

(dollars in millions)	EEN WEEKS ENDED	HIRTY-NINE EEKS ENDED
For the period ending September 27, 2015	\$ 1,020.1	\$ 3,307.7
Change from:		
Divestitures	(30.2)	(43.5)
Restaurant closings	(7.5)	(25.4)
Comparable restaurant sales	(1.5)	(31.0)
Effect of foreign currency translation	(0.8)	(45.3)
Restaurant openings	 18.7	66.9
For the period ending September 25, 2016	\$ 998.8	\$ 3,229.4

The decrease in Restaurant sales in the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 was primarily attributable to: (i) the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea restaurants in July 2016 and (ii) the closing of 17 restaurants since June 28, 2015. The decrease in restaurant sales was partially offset by the opening of 56 new restaurants not included in our comparable restaurant sales base.

The decrease in Restaurant sales in the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 was primarily attributable to: (i) the effect of foreign currency translation, due to the depreciation of the Brazil Real, (ii) the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea restaurants in July 2016 and Roy's in January 2015, (iii) lower U.S. comparable restaurant sales and (iv) the closing of 20 restaurants since December 28, 2014. The decrease in restaurant sales was partially offset by the opening of 80 new restaurants not included in our comparable restaurant sales base.

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Comparable Restaurant Sales, Traffic and Average Check Per Person Increases (Decreases)

Following is a summary of comparable restaurant sales, traffic and average check per person increases (decreases):

	THIRTEEN W	EEKS ENDED	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED		
	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015	
Year over year percentage change:					
Comparable restaurant sales (stores open 18 months or more) (1):					
U.S.					
Outback Steakhouse	(0.7)%	0.1 %	(1.6)%	3.1 %	
Carrabba's Italian Grill	(2.1)%	(2.0)%	(2.9)%	0.4 %	
Bonefish Grill	1.7 %	(6.1)%	(0.1)%	(2.8)%	
Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar	(1.9)%	(0.6)%	(0.3)%	2.0 %	
Combined U.S.	(0.7)%	(1.3)%	(1.5)%	1.6 %	
International					
Outback Steakhouse - Brazil (2)	7.3 %	6.1 %	6.9 %	4.9 %	
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Traffic:					
U.S.	(6.50)	(0.0)0/	(5.1)0/	(0.4)0/	
Outback Steakhouse	(6.5)%	(0.9)%	(5.1)%	(0.4)%	
Carrabba's Italian Grill	(4.5)%	(3.7)%	(2.5)%	0.5 %	
Bonefish Grill	(2.0)%	(8.5)%	(3.3)%	(5.5)%	
Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar	(2.9)%	(2.3)%	(1.6)%	0.9 %	
Combined U.S.	(5.4)%	(2.6)%	(4.2)%	(1.0)%	
International					
Outback Steakhouse - Brazil	1.4 %	0.6 %	0.2 %	0.1 %	
Average check per person increases (decreases) (3):					
U.S.					
Outback Steakhouse	5.8 %	1.0 %	3.5 %	3.5 %	
Carrabba's Italian Grill	2.4 %	1.7 %	(0.4)%	(0.1)%	
Bonefish Grill	3.7 %	2.4 %	3.2 %	2.7 %	
Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar	1.0 %	1.7 %	1.3 %	1.1 %	
Combined U.S.	4.7 %	1.3 %	2.7 %	2.6 %	
International					
Outback Steakhouse - Brazil	6.0 %	6.2 %	6.6 %	5.1 %	

⁽¹⁾ Comparable restaurant sales exclude the effect of fluctuations in foreign currency rates. Relocated international restaurants closed more than 30 days and relocated U.S. restaurants closed more than 60 days are excluded from comparable restaurant sales until at least 18 months after reopening.

⁽²⁾ Includes the trading day impact from calendar period reporting of (0.1%) and (0.7%) for the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 and September 27, 2015, respectively and 0.1% and (0.3%) for the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 and September 27, 2015, respectively.

⁽³⁾ Average check per person increases (decreases) includes the impact of menu pricing changes, product mix and discounts.

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Average Restaurant Unit Volumes and Operating Weeks

Following is a summary of the average restaurant unit volumes and operating weeks:

		THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED					THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED				
	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		SEPTEMBER 27, 2015				
Average restaurant unit volumes (weekly):											
U.S.											
Outback Steakhouse	\$	61,588	\$	62,152	\$	65,845	\$	66,862			
Carrabba's Italian Grill	\$	51,374	\$	52,650	\$	55,974	\$	58,003			
Bonefish Grill	\$	55,125	\$	54,323	\$	59,365	\$	59,434			
Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar	\$	68,510	\$	69,045	\$	79,561	\$	79,641			
International											
Outback Steakhouse - Brazil (1)	\$	79,133	\$	76,169	\$	72,022	\$	84,335			
Operating weeks:											
U.S.											
Outback Steakhouse		8,463		8,438		25,347		25,308			
Carrabba's Italian Grill		3,163		3,172		9,507		9,506			
Bonefish Grill		2,652		2,698		8,014		8,003			
Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar		871		858		2,587		2,574			
International											
Outback Steakhouse - Brazil		1,042		923		3,026		2,615			

Translated at an average exchange rate of 3.30 and 3.27 for the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 and September 27, 2015, respectively, and 3.59 and 3.00 for the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 and September 27, 2015, respectively.

COSTS AND EXPENSES

Cost of sales

		THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED				THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED				
(dollars in millions)	SEPTE	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016 SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		Change	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		SEP	TEMBER 27, 2015	Change	
Cost of sales	\$	322.1	\$	339.0		\$	1,044.2	\$	1,083.9	
% of Restaurant sales		32.2%		33.2%	(1.0)%		32.3%		32.8%	(0.5)%

Cost of sales, consisting of food and beverage costs, decreased as a percentage of Restaurant sales in the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirteen weeks ended September 27, 2015. The decrease as a percentage of Restaurant sales was primarily due to: (i) 0.7% from increases in average check per person and (ii) 0.7% from the impact of certain cost savings initiatives. These decreases were partially offset by increases as a percentage of Restaurant sales primarily attributable to 0.4% from higher commodity costs.

Cost of sales decreased as a percentage of Restaurant sales in the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015. The decrease as a percentage of Restaurant sales was primarily due to: (i) 0.5% from the impact of certain cost savings initiatives and (ii) 0.2% from increases in average check per person. These decreases were partially offset by increases as a percentage of Restaurant sales primarily due to 0.4% from higher commodity costs.

In fiscal year 2017, we expect commodity costs to be flat to 1% lower.

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Labor and other related expenses

		THIRTEEN V	VEEKS E	NDED						
(dollars in millions)	SEPTE	EMBER 25, 2016	SEPT	EMBER 27, 2015	Change	SEPTI	EMBER 25, 2016	SEPTE	EMBER 27, 2015	Change
Labor and other related	\$	290.0	\$	286.6		\$	922.0	\$	911.7	
% of Restaurant sales		29.0%		28.1%	0.9%		28.6%		27.6%	1.0%

Labor and other related expenses include all direct and indirect labor costs incurred in operations, including distribution expense to managing partners, costs related to deferred compensation plans and other restaurant-level incentive compensation expenses. Labor and other related expenses increased as a percentage of Restaurant sales in the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirteen weeks ended September 27, 2015. The increase as a percentage of Restaurant sales was primarily due to: (i) 1.4% from higher kitchen and service labor costs due to higher wage rates and investments in our service model and (ii) 0.3% due to the favorable resolution of a payroll tax audit contingency in the thirteen weeks ended September 27, 2015. These increases were partially offset by decreases as a percentage of Restaurant sales primarily due to: (i) 0.7% from increases in average check per person and (ii) 0.2% impact from the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea.

Labor and other related expenses increased as a percentage of Restaurant sales in the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015. The increase as a percentage of Restaurant sales was primarily due to: (i) 1.2% from higher kitchen and service labor costs due to higher wage rates and investments in our service model and (ii) 0.2% due to the favorable resolution of payroll tax audit contingencies in the thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015. These increases were partially offset by decreases as a percentage of Restaurant sales primarily due to: (i) 0.3% from increases in average check per person and (ii) 0.2% from the impact of certain cost savings initiatives.

In fiscal year 2017, we expect to incur incremental expense of \$9.0 million related to regulations enacted by the Department of Labor that raises the salary threshold for employees exempted from overtime.

Other restaurant operating expenses

		THIRTEEN V	VEEKS E	NDED						
(dollars in millions)	SEPTI	EMBER 25, 2016	SEPT	EMBER 27, 2015	Change	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		Change
Other restaurant operating	\$	243.2	\$	243.6		\$	747.2	\$	761.9	
% of Restaurant sales		24.3%		23.9%	0.4%		23.1%		23.0%	0.1%

Other restaurant operating expenses include certain unit-level operating costs such as operating supplies, rent, repairs and maintenance, advertising expenses, utilities, pre-opening costs and other occupancy costs. The increase as a percentage of Restaurant sales in the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirteen weeks ended September 27, 2015, was primarily due to: (i) 0.6% from an increase in operating expenses due to inflation and timing and (ii) 0.3% from higher rent expense, net, due to the sale-leaseback of certain properties. The increases were partially offset by decreases as a percentage of Restaurant sales primarily due to: (i) 0.4% from the impact of certain cost savings initiatives and (ii) 0.2% from increases in average check per person.

Other restaurant operating expenses increased as a percentage of Restaurant sales in the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015. The increase as a percentage of Restaurant sales was primarily due to: (i) 0.2% from an increase in operating expenses due to inflation and timing and (ii) 0.2% from higher rent expense, net, due to the sale-leaseback of certain properties. The increase was partially offset by a decrease as a percentage of Restaurant sales primarily due to 0.3% from the impact of certain cost savings initiatives.

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Depreciation and amortization

	THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED					THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED						
(dollars in millions)	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016 SEPTEMBER 27, 2015				C	Change SEPTEMBER 25, 2016 SEPTEMBER 27, 2015					C	hange
Depreciation and amortization	\$	48.6	\$	47.5	\$	1.1	\$	145.2	\$	141.3	\$	3.9

Depreciation and amortization expense increased in the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015. The increase was primarily due to additional depreciation expense related to the opening of new restaurants and the remodel of existing restaurants, partially offset by lower depreciation from: (i) the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea, (ii) assets impaired in connection with the Bonefish Restructuring and (iii) disposal of assets related to the sale-leaseback of certain properties.

General and administrative

General and administrative expense includes salaries and benefits, management incentive programs, related payroll tax and benefits, other employee-related costs and professional services. Following is a summary of the change in general and administrative expense for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016:

(dollars in millions)	THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED
For the period ended September 27, 2015	\$ 69.6	\$ 218.8
Change from:		
Life insurance and deferred compensation (1)	(3.5)	(8.2)
Legal and professional fees (2)	(1.6)	(4.7)
Employee stock-based compensation	(0.3)	1.9
Incentive compensation	1.2	2.5
Foreign currency exchange (3)	0.2	(3.9)
Other	(0.5)	2.3
For the period ended September 25, 2016	\$ 65.1	\$ 208.7

⁽¹⁾ Life insurance and deferred compensation decreased primarily due to: (i) an increase in the cash surrender value of life insurance investments related to our partner deferred compensation programs during the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 and (ii) the acquisition of managing partners' interests in certain Outback Steakhouse restaurants during the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016.

Provision for impaired assets and restaurant closings

	THIRTEEN V	VEEKS ENDED	_			
(dollars in millions)	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015	Change	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015	Change
Provision for impaired assets and			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
restaurant closings	\$ 4.7	\$ 1.7	\$ 3.0	\$ 49.2	\$ 11.7	\$ 37.5

Sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea - On July 25, 2016, we completed the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea. In connection with the decision to sell Outback Steakhouse South Korea, we recognized an impairment charge of \$39.6 million during the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016.

Restructuring and Restaurant Closure Initiatives - On February 12, 2016, we decided to close 14 Bonefish restaurants. We expect to substantially complete these restaurant closings through the first quarter of 2019.

⁽²⁾ Legal and professional fees were lower due to legal costs in 2015 associated with the Cardoza litigation and certain professional service fees and technology projects incurred in 2015 that supported our planned operational growth.

⁽³⁾ Foreign exchange primarily includes the depreciation of the Brazil Real.

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Following is a summary of expenses related to the Bonefish Restructuring and International and Domestic Restaurant Closure Initiatives recognized in Provision for impaired assets and restaurant closings in our Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss) for the periods indicated:

		THIRTEEN V	VEEKS	S ENDED	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED					
(dollars in millions)		MBER 25, 2016	SE	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		ΓEMBER 25, 2016	SEP	TEMBER 27, 2015		
Impairment, facility closure and other expenses						_				
Bonefish Restructuring	\$	(0.7)	\$	_	\$	3.7	\$	_		
International Restaurant Closure Initiative		_		0.1		(0.1)		6.2		
Domestic Restaurant Closure Initiative						0.1		1.3		
Provision for impaired assets and restaurant closings	\$	(0.7)	\$	0.1	\$	3.7	\$	7.5		

We currently expect to incur additional charges of \$3.2 million to \$5.2 million for the Bonefish Restructuring over the next five years, including costs associated with lease obligations and other closure related obligations.

Other Impairments - During the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, we recognized impairment charges of \$3.2 million for our Puerto Rico subsidiary.

The remaining restaurant impairment and closing charges resulted from: (i) the carrying value of a restaurant's assets exceeding its estimated fair market value, primarily due to locations identified for sale, relocation or closure and (ii) lease liabilities.

See Note 2 - Impairments, Disposals and Exit Costs of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further information.

Income from operations

		THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED					THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED					
(dollars in millions)	SEPTE	MBER 25, 2016	SEPTE	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		Change		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		Change
Income from operations	\$	31.7	\$	38.7	\$	(7.0)	\$	131.8	\$	199.0	\$	(67.2)
% of Total revenues		3.2%		3.8%		(0.6)%		4.1%		6.0%		(1.9)%

The decrease in income from operations generated in the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirteen weeks ended September 27, 2015 was primarily due to a decrease in operating margin at the restaurant-level and impairment charges.

The decrease in income from operations generated in the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015 was primarily due to: (i) impairment charges related to the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea, (ii) a decrease in operating margin at the restaurant-level and (iii) higher restaurant closing costs from the Bonefish Restructuring.

Loss on defeasance, extinguishment and modification of debt

In connection with the PRP Mortgage Loan Amendment in July 2016 and the defeasance of our 2012 CMBS loan in February 2016, we recognized a loss on defeasance, extinguishment and modification of debt of \$0.4 million and \$27.0 million for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, respectively. See Note 9 - Long-term Debt, Net of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further information.

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Other income (expense), net

	THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED						THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED					
(dollars in millions)	SEPTE	MBER 25, 2016	SEPTE	Cl	Change SEPTEMBER 25, 2016			SEP	TEMBER 27, 2015	Change		
Other income (expense), net	\$	2.1	\$	(0.3)	\$	2.4	\$	2.1	\$	(1.4)	\$	3.5

The increase in other income (expense), net in the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015 was primarily due to a gain on the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea in 2016 and a loss on the sale of Roy's in 2015.

Interest expense, net

THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDED								THIRTY-NINE	WEEKS	ENDED		
(dollars in millions)	SEPTEM	IBER 25, 2016	SEPTEM	BER 27, 2015	C	hange	SEPTE	MBER 25, 2016	SEPTI	EMBER 27, 2015	C	hange
Interest expense, net	\$	10.2	\$	14.9	\$	(4.7)	\$	33.4	\$	40.9	\$	(7.5)

The decrease in interest expense, net in the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirteen weeks ended September 27, 2015 was primarily due to lower interest expense related to the refinancing of the 2012 CMBS loan in February 2016, partially offset by additional interest expense related to our Term Loan A-1.

The decrease in interest expense, net in the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015 was primarily due to lower interest expense related to the refinancing of the 2012 CMBS loan in February 2016, partially offset by additional interest expense related to our interest rate swaps and from additional draws on our revolving credit facility.

Provision for income taxes

	THIRTEEN W	EEKS ENDED				
	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015	Change	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015	Change
Effective income tax rate	8.4%	26.3%	(17.9)%	33.2%	27.0%	6.2%

The net decrease in the effective income tax rate for the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 was primarily due to: (i) a decrease in the tax liability recorded in connection with the sale of Outback South Korea, (ii) a reduction of uncertain tax positions due to the expiration of statute of limitations and (iii) a change in the blend of taxable income across our U.S. and international subsidiaries.

The net increase in the effective income tax rate for the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 was primarily due to the change in the blend of taxable income across our U.S. and international subsidiaries and the recording of additional tax liabilities, including incremental taxes on earnings that were previously considered permanently reinvested, in connection with the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea.

We expect our effective income tax rate for fiscal year 2016 to range from 28.0% to 29.0%. The difference between the 2016 expected effective income tax rate and the effective income tax rate for the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 is primarily due to the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea and a reduction of uncertain tax positions related to the expiration of certain statute of limitations.

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SEGMENT PERFORMANCE

We have two reportable segments, U.S. and International, which reflects how we manage our business, review operating performance and allocate resources. The U.S. segment includes all brands operating in the U.S. while brands operating outside the U.S. are included in the International segment. Resources are allocated and performance is assessed by our CEO, whom we have determined to be our CODM. Following is a summary of reporting segments:

SEGMENT	CONCEPT	GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION				
U.S.	Outback Steakhouse					
	Carrabba's Italian Grill	United States of America, including Puerto Rico				
	Bonefish Grill	Officed States of America, including Fuerto Rico				
	Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar					
International	Outback Steakhouse (1)	Brazil, South Korea, Hong Kong, China				
	Carrabba's Italian Grill (Abbraccio)	Brazil				

⁽¹⁾ Includes international franchise locations.

Revenues for both segments include only transactions with customers and include no intersegment revenues. Excluded from net income from operations for U.S. and International are legal and certain corporate costs not directly related to the performance of the segments, interest and other expenses related to our credit agreements and derivative instruments, certain stock-based compensation expenses and certain bonus expenses.

Prior to 2016, certain insurance expenses were not allocated to our concepts as these expenses were reviewed and evaluated on a Company-wide basis and therefore, these costs were excluded from segment restaurant-level operating margin and income from operations. In 2016, management changed how insurance expenses related to our restaurants are reviewed and now considers those costs when evaluating the operating performance of our concepts. Accordingly, we have recast all prior period segment information to reflect this change.

Following is a reconciliation of segment income (loss) from operations to the consolidated operating results:

		THIRTEEN W	EEKS I	ENDED	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED				
(dollars in thousands)		EMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 201		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		SEPTEMBER 27, 201		
Segment income (loss) from operations						_			
U.S.	\$	61,905	\$	63,476	\$	268,754	\$	287,936	
International		8,277		9,770		(14,947)		24,376	
Total segment income from operations		70,182		73,246		253,807		312,312	
Unallocated corporate operating expense		(38,448)		(34,522)		(122,056)		(113,302)	
Total income from operations		31,734		38,724		131,751		199,010	
Loss on defeasance, extinguishment and modification of debt		(418)		_		(26,998)		(2,638)	
Other income (expense), net		2,079		(266)		2,059		(1,356)	
Interest expense, net		(10,217)		(14,851)		(33,394)		(40,916)	
Income before provision for income taxes	\$	23,178	\$	23,607	\$	73,418	\$	154,100	

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U.S. Segment

		THIRTEEN V	VEEKS E	NDED	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED				
(dollars in thousands)	SEPTI	EMBER 25, 2016	SEPT	EMBER 27, 2015	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016			PTEMBER 27, 2015	
Revenues									
Restaurant sales	\$	889,350	\$	897,280	\$	2,882,091	\$	2,930,644	
Other revenues		4,556		5,173		14,575		16,801	
Total revenues	\$	893,906	\$	902,453	\$	2,896,666	\$	2,947,445	
Restaurant-level operating margin		14.1%		13.8%		15.7%		16.0%	
Income from operations		61,905		63,476	\$	268,754	\$	287,936	
Operating income margin		6.9%		7.0%		9.3%		9.8%	

Restaurant sales

Following is a summary of the change in U.S. segment Restaurant sales for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016:

(dollars in millions)		EEN WEEKS NDED	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED		
For the period ending September 27, 2015	\$	897.3	\$	2,930.6	
Change from:					
Comparable restaurant sales		(6.6)		(42.9)	
Restaurant closings		(5.2)		(17.6)	
Divestiture of Roy's		_		(5.7)	
Restaurant openings		3.9		17.7	
For the period ending September 25, 2016	\$	889.4	\$	2,882.1	

The decrease in U.S. Restaurant sales in the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 was primarily attributable to: (i) lower comparable restaurant sales and (ii) the closing of 12 restaurants since June 28, 2015. The decrease in U.S. Restaurant sales was partially offset by the opening of 21 new restaurants not included in our comparable restaurant sales base.

The decrease in U.S. Restaurant sales in the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 was primarily attributable to: (i) lower comparable restaurant sales, (ii) the closing of 15 restaurants since December 28, 2014 and (iii) the sale of 20 Roy's restaurants in January 2015. The decrease in U.S. Restaurant sales was partially offset by the opening of 34 new restaurants not included in our comparable restaurant sales base.

Restaurant-level operating margin

The increase in U.S. restaurant-level operating margin in the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirteen weeks ended September 27, 2015 was primarily due to: (i) increases in average check per person and (ii) the impact of certain cost savings initiatives. The increase was partially offset by: (i) higher kitchen and labor costs and (ii) higher rent expense due to the sale-leaseback of certain properties.

The decrease in U.S. restaurant-level operating margin in the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015, was primarily due to: (i) higher kitchen and labor costs and (ii) higher rent expense due to the sale-leaseback of certain properties. The decrease was partially offset by: (i) the impact of certain cost savings initiatives and (ii) increases in average check per person.

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Income from operations

The decrease in U.S. income from operations generated in the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirteen weeks ended September 27, 2015 was primarily due to impairment charges related to our Puerto Rico subsidiary, partially offset by lower General and administrative expense. General and administrative expense for the U.S. segment decreased primarily from an increase in the cash surrender value of life insurance investments related to our partner deferred compensation programs.

The decrease in U.S. income from operations generated in the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015 was primarily due to: (i) lower operating margin at the restaurant-level and (ii) higher restaurant closing costs from the Bonefish Restructuring, partially offset by lower General and administrative expense. General and administrative expense for the U.S. segment decreased primarily from lower deferred compensation expense due to the acquisition of a managing partner's interests in certain Outback Steakhouse restaurants and an increase in the cash surrender value of life insurance investments related to our partner deferred compensation programs.

International Segment

		THIRTEEN V	VEEKS	ENDED	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED					
(dollars in thousands)	SEPTE	MBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		SEI	PTEMBER 27, 2015		
Revenues										
Restaurant sales	\$	109,456	\$	122,851	\$	347,286	\$	377,056		
Other revenues		2,025		1,417		4,211		3,876		
Total revenues	\$	111,481	\$	124,268	\$	351,497	\$	380,932		
Restaurant-level operating margin		18.2%		18.0%		17.9 %		19.0%		
Income (loss) from operations	\$	8,277	\$	9,770	\$	(14,947)	\$	24,376		
Operating income (loss) margin		7.4%		7.9%		(4.3)%		6.4%		

Restaurant sales

Following is a summary of the change in International segment Restaurant sales for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016:

(dollars in millions)		TEEN WEEKS ENDED	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED		
For the period ending September 27, 2015	\$	122.9	\$	377.1	
Change from:					
Divestiture of Outback Steakhouse South Korea		(30.2)		(37.8)	
Restaurant closings		(2.3)		(7.8)	
Effect of foreign currency translation		(0.8)		(45.3)	
Restaurant openings		14.8		49.2	
Comparable restaurant sales		5.1		11.9	
For the period ending September 25, 2016	\$	109.5	\$	347.3	

The decrease in Restaurant sales in the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 was primarily attributable to: (i) the sale of 72 Outback Steakhouse South Korea restaurants in July 2016 and (ii) the closing of five restaurants since June 28, 2015. The decrease in restaurant sales was partially offset by: (i) the opening of 35 new restaurants not included in our comparable restaurant sales base and (ii) an increase in comparable restaurant sales.

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The decrease in Restaurant sales in the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 was primarily attributable to: (i) the effect of foreign currency translation of the Brazil Real relative to the U.S. dollar, (ii) the sale of 72 Outback Steakhouse South Korea restaurants in July 2016 and (iii) the closing of five restaurants since December 28, 2014. The decrease in restaurant sales was partially offset by: (i) the opening of 46 new restaurants not included in our comparable restaurant sales base and (ii) an increase in comparable restaurant sales.

Restaurant-level operating margin

The increase in International restaurant-level operating margin in the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirteen weeks ended September 27, 2015 was primarily due to: (i) increases in average check per person, (ii) the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea and (iii) the impact of certain cost savings initiatives. The increase was partially offset by: (i) higher commodity and labor inflation and (ii) higher operating expenses due to inflation.

The decrease in International restaurant-level operating margin in the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015 was primarily due to: (i) higher commodity and labor inflation and (ii) higher operating expenses due to inflation. The decrease was partially offset by: (i) increases in average check per person and (ii) the impact of certain cost savings initiatives.

Income (loss) from operations

The decrease in International income from operations in the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirteen weeks ended September 27, 2015 was primarily due to the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea, partially offset by higher franchise revenue and lower depreciation and amortization.

The decrease in International income from operations in the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 as compared to the thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015 was primarily due to: (i) impairment charges related to the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea and (ii) lower restaurant-level operating margin, partially offset by costs related to the International Restaurant Closure Initiative in 2015 and lower General and administrative expense. General and administrative expense for the International segment decreased primarily from the effects of foreign currency exchange.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to the results provided in accordance with U.S. GAAP, we provide certain non-GAAP measures, which present operating results on an adjusted basis. These are supplemental measures of performance that are not required by or presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP and include the following: (i) system-wide sales, (ii) Adjusted restaurant-level operating margins, (iii) Adjusted income from operations and the corresponding margins, (iv) Adjusted net income and (v) Adjusted diluted earnings per share.

We believe that our use of non-GAAP financial measures permits investors to assess the operating performance of our business relative to our performance based on U.S. GAAP results and relative to other companies within the restaurant industry by isolating the effects of certain items that may vary from period to period without correlation to core operating performance or that vary widely among similar companies. However, our inclusion of these adjusted measures should not be construed as an indication that our future results will be unaffected by unusual or infrequent items or that the items for which we have made adjustments are unusual or infrequent or will not recur. We believe that the disclosure of these non-GAAP measures is useful to investors as they form part of the basis for how our management team and Board of Directors evaluate our operating performance, allocate resources and establish employee incentive plans.

These non-GAAP financial measures are not intended to replace U.S. GAAP financial measures, and they are not necessarily standardized or comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies. We maintain internal

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guidelines with respect to the types of adjustments we include in our non-GAAP measures. These guidelines endeavor to differentiate between types of gains and expenses that are reflective of our core operations in a period, and those that may vary from period to period without correlation to our core performance in that period. However, implementation of these guidelines necessarily involves the application of judgment, and the treatment of any items not directly addressed by, or changes to, our guidelines will be considered by our disclosure committee. Refer to the reconciliations of non-GAAP measures for descriptions of the actual adjustments made in the current period and the corresponding prior period.

System-Wide Sales

System-wide sales is a non-GAAP financial measure that includes sales of all restaurants operating under our brand names, whether we own them or not. Management uses this information to make decisions about future plans for the development of additional restaurants and new concepts, as well as evaluation of current operations. System-wide sales comprise sales of Company-owned and franchised restaurants. Following is a summary of sales of Company-owned restaurants:

		THIRTEEN W	EEKS ENDED		THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED				
COMPANY-OWNED RESTAURANT SALES (dollars in millions)	SEPTEM	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		SEPTEMBER 27, 2015		SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		PTEMBER 27, 2015	
U.S.									
Outback Steakhouse	\$	521	\$	524	\$	1,668	\$	1,691	
Carrabba's Italian Grill		162		167		532		551	
Bonefish Grill		147		147		476		476	
Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar		60		59		206		205	
Other		_		_		_		7	
Total	\$	890	\$	897	\$	2,882	\$	2,930	
International									
Outback Steakhouse-Brazil	\$	83	\$	70	\$	218	\$	221	
Outback Steakhouse-South Korea (1)		11		42		90		128	
Other		15		11		39		29	
Total	\$	109	\$	123	\$	347	\$	378	
Total Company-owned restaurant sales	\$	999	\$ 1	,020	\$	3,229	\$	3,308	

⁽¹⁾ On July 25, 2016, we sold our restaurant locations in South Korea, converting all restaurants in that market to franchised locations.

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The following table provides a summary of sales of franchised restaurants, which are not included in our consolidated financial results, and our income from the royalties and/or service fees that franchisees pay us based generally on a percentage of sales. The following table does not represent our sales and is presented only as an indicator of changes in the restaurant system, which management believes is important information regarding the health of our restaurant concepts and in determining our royalties and/or service fees.

	VEEKS ENDED	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED				
SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015			
\$ 85	\$ 83	\$ 260	\$ 257			
3	3	9	6			
3	3	10	9			
91	89	279	272			
30	_	30	_			
28	30	84	88			
58	30	114	88			
\$ 149	\$ 119	\$ 393	\$ 360			
\$ 5	\$ 4	\$ 14	\$ 13			
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⁽¹⁾ Franchise sales are not included in Total revenues in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss).

⁽²⁾ On July 25, 2016, we sold our restaurant locations in South Korea, converting all restaurants in that market to franchised locations.

⁽³⁾ Represents the franchise royalty income included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss) in Other revenues.

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Adjusted restaurant-level operating margin

Restaurant-level operating margin is calculated as Restaurant sales after deduction of the main restaurant-level operating costs, which includes Cost of sales, Labor and other related and Other restaurant operating. The following table shows the percentages of certain operating cost financial statement line items in relation to Restaurant sales:

		THIRTEEN WEI	EKS ENDED		
	SEPTEMBER	25, 2016	SEPTEMBEI	R 27, 2015	
	U.S. GAAP	ADJUSTED	U.S. GAAP	ADJUSTED (1)	
Restaurant sales	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	
Cost of sales	32.2%	32.2%	33.2%	33.2%	
Labor and other related	29.0%	29.0%	28.1%	28.4%	
Other restaurant operating	24.3%	24.4%	23.9%	23.9%	
Restaurant-level operating margin	14 4%	14 4%	14.8%	14 5%	

	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED										
	SEPTEMBEI	R 25, 2016	SEPTEMBEI	R 27, 2015							
	U.S. GAAP	ADJUSTED (2)	U.S. GAAP	ADJUSTED (1)							
Restaurant sales	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%							
Cost of sales	32.3%	32.3%	32.8%	32.8%							
Labor and other related	28.6%	28.6%	27.6%	27.7%							
Other restaurant operating	23.1%	23.2%	23.0%	23.0%							
Restaurant-level operating margin	16.0%	15.9%	16.6%	16.5%							

⁽¹⁾ Includes adjustments for payroll tax audit contingencies of \$2.9 million and \$5.6 million for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015, respectively, which were recorded in Labor and other related.

⁽²⁾ Includes adjustments, primarily the write-off of \$1.9 million of deferred rent liabilities associated with the Bonefish Restructuring for the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, which were recorded in Other restaurant operating.

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Adjusted income from operations, Adjusted net income and Adjusted diluted earnings per share

		THIRTEEN V	VEEK	S ENDED	DED THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED						
(in thousands, except per share data)	SEPT	EMBER 25, 2016	SE	PTEMBER 27, 2015	SEP	TEMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015				
Income from operations	\$	31,734	\$	38,724	\$	131,751	\$	199,010			
Operating income margin		3.2%		3.8%		4.1%		6.0%			
Adjustments:											
Asset impairments and related costs (1)		3,208		_		43,231		746			
Restaurant relocations, remodels and related costs (2)		1,808		1,872		3,572		3,163			
Transaction-related expenses (3)		1,047		750		1,513		1,065			
Purchased intangibles amortization (4)		1,032		1,047		2,841		3,453			
Severance (5)		_		_		1,872		_			
Restaurant impairments and closing costs (6)		(685)		185		1,435		8,992			
Legal and contingent matters (7)		_		1,239		_		1,239			
Payroll tax audit contingency (8)		_		(2,916)		_		(5,587)			
Total income from operations adjustments		6,410		2,177		54,464		13,071			
Adjusted income from operations	\$	38,144	\$	40,901	\$	186,215	\$	212,081			
Adjusted operating income margin	'	3.8%		4.0%		5.7%		6.4%			
Net income attributable to Bloomin' Brands	\$	20,733	\$	16,811	\$	46,031	\$	109,625			
Adjustments:											
Income from operations adjustments		6,410		2,177		54,464		13,071			
Loss on defeasance, extinguishment and modification of debt (9)		418		_		26,998		2,638			
(Gain) loss on disposal of business (10)		(2,084)		298		(2,084)		1,328			
Total adjustments, before income taxes	'	4,744		2,475		79,378		17,037			
Adjustment to provision for income taxes (8) (11)		(2,930)		(665)		(11,107)		(3,245)			
Net adjustments		1,814		1,810		68,271		13,792			
Adjusted net income	\$	22,547	\$	18,621	\$	114,302	\$	123,417			
	•	0.10	•	0.12	•	0.40	•	0.05			
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.18	\$	0.13	\$	0.40	\$	0.87			
Adjusted diluted earnings per share	\$	0.20	\$	0.15	\$	0.98	\$	0.97			
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding		112,430		124,733		116,516		126,610			
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⁽¹⁾ Represents asset impairment charges and related costs associated with our Puerto Rico subsidiary and sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea in 2016 and our Roy's concept and corporate aircraft in 2015.

⁽²⁾ Represents asset impairment charges and accelerated depreciation incurred in connection with our relocation and remodel programs.

Relates primarily to the following: (i) costs incurred with our sale-leaseback initiative in 2016 and 2015 and (ii) costs incurred with the secondary offering of our common stock in March 2015. For the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, includes an adjustment of \$0.3 million for amortization of deferred gains related to our sale-leaseback initiative from our second fiscal quarter. Subsequent to the second quarter, based on an ongoing review of our non-GAAP presentations, we determined not to adjust for this item on a prospective basis commencing with the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016. We do not consider this change material to the historical periods presented.

⁽⁴⁾ Represents intangible amortization recorded as a result of the acquisition of our Brazil operations.

⁽⁵⁾ Relates primarily to the following: (i) as a result of the relocation of our Fleming's operations center to the corporate home office in 2016 and (ii) our organizational realignment in 2015

⁽⁶⁾ Represents expenses incurred for the Bonefish Restructuring and the International and Domestic Restaurant Closure Initiatives.

⁽⁷⁾ Fees and expenses related to certain legal and contingent matters, including the Cardoza litigation.

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- (8) Relates to a payroll tax audit contingency adjustment for the employer's share of FICA taxes related to cash tips allegedly received and unreported by our employees during calendar year 2011, which is recorded in Labor and other related expenses. In addition, a deferred income tax adjustment has been recorded for the allowable income tax credits for the employer's share of FICA taxes expected to be paid, which is included in Provision for income taxes and offsets the adjustment to Labor and other related expenses. As a result, there is no impact to Net income from this adjustment.
- (9) Relates to the amendment of the PRP Mortgage Loan in July 2016, defeasance of the 2012 CMBS loan in February 2016 and the refinancing of our Senior Secured Credit Facility in 2015.
- (10) Primarily relates to the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea in 2016 and Roy's in 2015.
- (11) Represents income tax effect of the adjustments, on a jurisdiction basis, for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 and September 27, 2015, respectively. Included in the adjustments for the thirteen weeks and thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 is (\$1.1) million and \$2.4 million, respectively, for taxes related to the Outback Steakhouse South Korea sale.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

LIQUIDITY

Our liquidity sources consist of cash flow from our operations, cash and cash equivalents and credit capacity under our credit facilities. We expect to use cash primarily for general operating expenses, remodeling or relocating older restaurants, the development of new restaurants and new markets, principal and interest payments on our debt, share repurchases and dividend payments, obligations related to our deferred compensation plans and investments in technology.

We believe that our expected liquidity sources are adequate to fund debt service requirements, operating lease obligations, capital expenditures and working capital obligations for at least the next 12 months. However, our ability to continue to meet these requirements and obligations will depend on, among other things, our ability to achieve anticipated levels of revenue and cash flow and our ability to manage costs and working capital successfully.

Cash and Cash Equivalents - As of September 25, 2016, we had \$91.5 million in cash and cash equivalents, of which \$36.2 million was held by foreign affiliates, a portion of which would be subject to additional taxes if repatriated to the United States. The international jurisdictions in which we have significant cash do not have any known restrictions that would prohibit the repatriation of cash and cash equivalents.

In connection with the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea, we no longer assert that the earnings of our South Korean subsidiary will be permanently reinvested and have, therefore, recognized tax expense of \$2.4 million for the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016. We had aggregate undistributed earnings of \$58.7 million for other foreign subsidiaries as of September 25, 2016, which we consider to be permanently reinvested and are expected to continue to be permanently reinvested. It is not practical to determine the amount of unrecognized deferred income tax liabilities on the undistributed earnings we consider to be permanently reinvested.

Sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea - On July 25, 2016, we completed the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea for a purchase price of \$50.0 million.

Sale-Leaseback Transactions - During the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, we entered into sale-leaseback transactions with third-parties in which we sold 88 restaurant properties at fair market value for gross proceeds of \$326.5 million. Subsequent to September 25, 2016, we entered into sale-leaseback transactions with third-parties in which we sold 59 restaurant properties at fair market value for gross proceeds of \$187.0 million.

Bonefish Restructuring - On February 12, 2016, we decided to close 14 Bonefish restaurants. We expect to substantially complete these restaurant closings through the first quarter of 2019. Total future cash expenditures of \$10.1 million to \$12.3 million, primarily related to lease liabilities, are expected to occur through October 2024.

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Capital Expenditures - We estimate that our capital expenditures will total between \$235.0 million and \$255.0 million in 2016. The amount of actual capital expenditures may be affected by general economic, financial, competitive, legislative and regulatory factors, among other things, including restrictions imposed by our borrowing arrangements.

Credit Facilities - Our credit facilities consist of the Senior Secured Credit Facility and the PRP Mortgage Loan. See Note 9 - Long-term Debt, Net of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further information. Following is a summary of principal payments and debt issuance from December 27, 2015 to September 25, 2016:

	SENIOR	SECU	URED CRED	IT F	FACILITY	2012 CMBS LOAN									
	TERM	TERM LOANS			DELICAL LINIC				MEZZANINE LOANS				PRP		TOTAL
(dollars in thousands)	A		A-1		REVOLVING FACILITY	MORTGAGE LOAN		FIRST		SECOND		MORTGAGE LOAN		CREDIT FACILITIES	
Balance as of December 27, 2015	\$ 277,500	\$	150,000	\$	432,000	\$	289,588	\$	84,028	\$	85,353	\$	_	\$	1,318,469
2016 new debt	_		_		591,500		_		_		_		369,511		961,011
2016 payments	(13,125)		(6,562)		(377,500)		(289,588)		(84,028)		(85,353)		(196,671)		(1,052,827)
Balance as of September 25, 2016	\$ 264,375	\$	143,438	\$	646,000	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	172,840	\$	1,226,653

We continue to evaluate whether we will make further payments of our outstanding debt ahead of scheduled maturities. Following is a summary of our outstanding credit facilities as of September 25, 2016:

	INTEREST RATE	ORIGINAL	PRINCIPAL	OUTSTANDING						
(dollars in thousands)	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016	FACILITY	MATURITY DATE	SEP	TEMBER 25, 2016	DECEMBER 27, 2015				
Term loan A, net of discount of \$1.4 million (1)	2.51%	\$ 300,000	May 2019	\$	264,375	\$	277,500			
Term loan A-1	2.45%	150,000	May 2019		143,438		150,000			
Revolving credit facility (1)	2.48%	825,000	May 2019		646,000		432,000			
Total Senior Secured Credit Facility		\$ 1,275,000		\$	1,053,813	\$	859,500			
PRP Mortgage Loan (2)	2.96%	\$ 369,512	February 2018	\$	172,840	\$	_			
First mortgage loan	%	\$ 324,800		\$	_	\$	289,588			
First mezzanine loan	%	87,600			_		84,028			
Second mezzanine loan	%	87,600					85,353			
Total 2012 CMBS loan		\$ 500,000		\$	_	\$	458,969			
Total credit facilities		\$ 2,144,512		\$	1,226,653	\$	1,318,469			

⁽¹⁾ Represents the weighted-average interest rate.

Credit Agreement - As of September 25, 2016, we had \$151.2 million in available unused borrowing capacity under our revolving credit facility, net of letters of credit of \$27.8 million.

The Credit Agreement contains mandatory prepayment requirements for Term loan A and Term loan A-1 at 50% of our annual excess cash flow, as defined in the Credit Agreement. The amount of outstanding Term loan A and Term loan A-1 required to be prepaid may vary based on our leverage ratio and year end results. Other than the required minimum amortization premiums of \$25.3 million, we do not anticipate any other payments will be required through September 24, 2017.

PRP Mortgage Loan - On February 11, 2016, PRP, as borrower, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Lender, entered into the PRP Mortgage Loan, pursuant to which PRP borrowed \$300.0 million. The PRP Mortgage Loan has

⁽²⁾ During the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016, PRP entered into an amendment to its existing PRP Mortgage Loan. See Note 9 - Long-term Debt, Net for further discussion.

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an Initial Maturity date of February 11, 2018 with an option to extend the Initial Maturity for one twelve-month Extension provided that certain conditions are satisfied. The PRP Mortgage Loan is collateralized by certain properties owned by PRP. PRP has also made negative pledges with respect to certain unencumbered properties.

The proceeds of the PRP Mortgage Loan were used, together with borrowings under our revolving credit facility, to prepay a portion, and fully defease the remainder, of the 2012 CMBS loan. In connection with the defeasance, we recognized a loss of \$26.6 million during the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016. Following the defeasance of the 2012 CMBS loan, \$19.3 million of restricted cash was released.

On July 27, 2016, PRP and the Lender, entered into an Amendment to PRP's Original Loan Agreement to provide for additional borrowings of \$69.5 million. Subsequent to September 25, 2016, we made payments of \$121.9 million on our PRP Mortgage Loan with proceeds from sale-leaseback transactions. The remaining \$50.9 million PRP Mortgage Loan balance is due on the Initial Maturity date unless the we exercise the Extension.

Debt Covenants - Our Credit Agreement and PRP Mortgage Loan contain various financial and non-financial covenants. A violation of these covenants could negatively impact our liquidity by restricting our ability to borrow under the revolving credit facility and cause an acceleration of the amounts due under the credit facilities. See Note 12 - Long-term Debt, Net in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2015 for further information.

As of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015, we were in compliance with our debt covenants. We believe that we will remain in compliance with our debt covenants during the next 12 months.

Cash Flow Hedges of Interest Rate Risk - On September 9, 2014, we entered into variable-to-fixed interest rate swap agreements with eight counterparties to hedge a portion of the cash flows of our variable rate debt. The swap agreements have an aggregate notional amount of \$400.0 million, a start date of June 30, 2015, and mature on May 16, 2019. Under the terms of the swap agreements, we pay a weighted-average fixed rate of 2.02% on the \$400.0 million notional amount and receive payments from the counterparty based on the 30-day LIBOR rate. We estimate \$5.4 million will be reclassified to interest expense over the next twelve months. See Note 13 - Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further information.

Brazil Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests - Certain Former Equity Holders of the Brazil Joint Venture have options to sell us their remaining interests and we have options to purchase such remaining interests (the "call options" and together with the put options, the "Options"), in various amounts and at various times through 2018, subject to acceleration in certain circumstances. The purchase price under each of the Options is based on a multiple of adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization of the business, subject to a possible fair market value adjustment.

SUMMARY OF CASH FLOWS

The following table presents a summary of our cash flows provided by (used in) operating, investing and financing activities for the periods indicated:

	THIRTY-NINE WEEKS ENDED							
(dollars in thousands)	SEPTE	EMBER 25, 2016	SEPTEMBER 27, 2015					
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	223,556	\$	247,294				
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		176,140		(134,938)				
Net cash used in financing activities		(445,809)		(134,226)				
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		5,250		(8,284)				
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	\$	(40,863)	\$	(30,154)				

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Operating activities - Net cash provided by operating activities decreased during the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016, as compared to the thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015 primarily due to higher income tax payments and the timing of accounts payable payments. These decreases were partially offset by: (i) utilization of inventory on hand, (ii) the timing of collections of gift card receivables and (iii) lower cash interest payments.

Investing activities - Net cash provided by investing activities for the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 consisted primarily of: (i) proceeds from sale-leaseback transactions, (ii) proceeds from the sale of Outback Steakhouse South Korea and (iii) a reduction in restricted cash related to the defeasance of the 2012 CMBS loan, partially offset by capital expenditures.

Net cash used in investing activities for the thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015 consisted primarily of capital expenditures, partially offset by the following: (i) net proceeds from life insurance policies, (ii) the release of escrow cash related to the Brazil Joint Venture acquisition, (iii) proceeds from the sale of Roy's and (iv) proceeds from the disposal of property, fixtures and equipment.

Financing activities - Net cash used in financing activities for the thirty-nine weeks ended September 25, 2016 was primarily attributable to the following: (i) the defeasance of the 2012 CMBS loan and payments on our revolving credit facility and PRP Mortgage Loan, (ii) the repurchase of common stock, (iii) payment of cash dividends on our common stock, (iv) repayments of partner deposits and accrued partner obligations and (v) the purchase of outstanding limited partnership interests in certain restaurants. Net cash used in financing activities was partially offset by drawdowns on our revolving credit facility and proceeds from the PRP Mortgage Loan.

Net cash used in financing activities for the thirty-nine weeks ended September 27, 2015 was primarily attributable to the following: (i) repayments of the Term loan B due to the Senior Secured Credit Facility refinancing in March 2015 and payments on our revolving credit facility, (ii) the repurchase of common stock, (iii) repayments of partner deposits and accrued partner obligations and (iv) payment of cash dividends on our common stock. Net cash used in financing activities was partially offset by the following: (i) proceeds from the refinancing of the Senior Secured Credit Facility and revolving credit facilities and (ii) proceeds from the exercise of stock options.

FINANCIAL CONDITION

Following is a summary of our current assets, current liabilities and working capital:

(dollars in thousands)	SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		DECEMBER 27, 2015	
Current assets	\$	250,354	\$	418,644
Current liabilities		674,006		814,166
Working capital (deficit)	\$	(423,652)	\$	(395,522)

Working capital (deficit) totaled (\$423.7) million and (\$395.5) million as of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015, respectively, and included Unearned revenue from unredeemed gift cards of \$242.4 million and \$382.6 million as of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015, respectively. We have, and in the future may continue to have, negative working capital balances (as is common for many restaurant companies). We operate successfully with negative working capital because cash collected on restaurant sales is typically received before payment is due on our current liabilities, and our inventory turnover rates require relatively low investment in inventories. Additionally, ongoing cash flows from restaurant operations and gift card sales are used to service debt obligations and to make capital expenditures.

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Deferred Compensation Programs - The deferred compensation obligation due to managing and chef partners was \$120.1 million and \$133.2 million as of September 25, 2016 and December 27, 2015, respectively. We invest in various corporate-owned life insurance policies, which are held within an irrevocable grantor or "rabbi" trust account for settlement of our obligations under the deferred compensation plans. The rabbi trust is funded through our voluntary contributions. The unfunded obligation for managing and chef partners' deferred compensation was \$59.2 million as of September 25, 2016.

We use capital to fund the deferred compensation plans and currently expect annual cash funding of \$18.0 million to \$22.0 million. Actual funding of the deferred compensation obligations and future funding requirements may vary significantly depending on the actual performance compared to targets, timing of deferred payments of partner contracts, forfeiture rates, number of partner participants, growth of partner investments and our funding strategy.

DIVIDENDS AND SHARE REPURCHASES

In August 2015, our Board approved the 2015 Share Repurchase Program under which we were authorized to repurchase up to \$100.0 million of our outstanding common stock. Our Board canceled the remaining \$30.0 million of authorization under the 2015 Share Repurchase Program and approved a new \$250.0 million authorization on February 12, 2016.

On July 26, 2016, the Board canceled the remaining \$110.1 million of authorization under the 2016 Share Repurchase Program and approved a new \$300.0 million authorization (the "July 2016 Share Repurchase Program"). The July 2016 Share Repurchase Program will expire on January 26, 2018. Under the July 2016 Share Repurchase Program, shares may be repurchased in open market transactions, including under plans complying with Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act, or privately negotiated transactions, including accelerated repurchase arrangements.

The following table presents our dividends and share repurchases from December 29, 2014 through September 25, 2016:

(dollars in thousands)	DIV	DENDS PAID	SHARI	REPURCHASES	SETTLEM	RELATED TO ENT OF EQUITY AWARDS	TOTAL
Fiscal year 2015	\$	29,332	\$	169,999	\$	770	\$ 200,101
Thirteen weeks ended March 27, 2016		8,238		75,000		176	83,414
Thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2016		7,978		64,892		153	73,023
Thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016		7,765		135,000		70	142,835
Total	\$	53,313	\$	444,891	\$	1,169	\$ 499,373

Recently Issued Financial Accounting Standards

For a description of recently issued Financial Accounting Standards, see Note 1 - Description of the Business and Basis of Presentation of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

We are exposed to market risk from changes in interest rates, changes in foreign currency exchange rates and changes in commodity prices. We believe that there have been no material changes in our market risk since December 27, 2015. See Part II, Item 7A., "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk," in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2015 for further information regarding market risk.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We have established and maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. We carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial and Administrative Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of September 25, 2016.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II: OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

For a description of our legal proceedings, see Note 16 - Commitments and Contingencies, of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

In addition to the other information discussed in this report, please consider the factors described in Part I, Item 1A., "Risk Factors" in our 2015 Form 10-K which could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results. There have not been any material changes to the risk factors described in our 2015 Form 10-K, but these are not the only risks facing our Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may adversely affect our business, financial condition or operating results.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

There were no sales of equity securities during the third quarter of 2016 that were not registered under the Securities Act of 1933.

The following table provides information regarding our purchases of common stock during the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016:

REPORTING PERIOD	TOTAL NUMBER OF SHARES PURCHASED	 ERAGE PRICE ID PER SHARE	TOTAL NUMBER OF SHARES PURCHASED AS PART OF PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED PLANS OR PROGRAMS	 PROXIMATE DOLLAR VALUE OF SHARES THAT MAY YET BE PURCHASED UNDER THE PLANS OR PROGRAMS (1)
June 27, 2016 through July 24, 2016	344	\$ 18.00	_	\$ 110,108,046
July 25, 2016 through August 21, 2016	3,054,599	\$ 18.68	3,054,481	\$ 242,927,436
August 22, 2016 through September 25, 2016	4,004,736	\$ 19.47	4,001,596	\$ 165,000,032
Total	7,059,679		7,056,077	

⁽¹⁾ On July 26, 2016, the Board approved a new \$300.0 million authorization as announced publicly in our press release issued on July 29, 2016 (the "July 2016 Share Repurchase Program"). The July 2016 Share Repurchase Program will expire on January 26, 2018. Common shares repurchased during the thirteen weeks ended September 25, 2016 represented shares repurchased under the July 2016 Share Repurchase Program and 3,602 shares withheld for tax payments due upon vesting of employee restricted stock awards.

Item 6. Exhibits

EXHIBIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS	FILINGS REFERENCED FOR INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE
10.1	First Amendment to Loan Agreement, dated July 27, 2016, between New Private Restaurant Properties, LLC as borrower, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as lender. ¹	Filed herewith
10.2*	Employment Offer Letter Agreement, dated as of July 29, 2016, between Bloomin' Brands, Inc. and Gregg Scarlett	Filed herewith
10.3*	Employment Offer Letter Agreement, dated as of July 29, 2016, between Bloomin' Brands, Inc. and David Schmidt	Filed herewith
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	Filed herewith
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial and Administrative Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	Filed herewith
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002^2	Filed herewith
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial and Administrative Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002^2	Filed herewith
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document	Filed herewith
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document	Filed herewith
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document	Filed herewith
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document	Filed herewith
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document	Filed herewith
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document	Filed herewith

^{*} Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement required to be filed as an exhibit

¹Confidential treatment has been requested with respect to portions of Exhibit 10.1 and such portions have been filed separately with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

² These certifications are not deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section. These certifications will not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, except to the extent that the registrant specifically incorporates them by reference.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: November 2, 2016 BLOOMIN' BRANDS, INC.

(Registrant)

By: /s/ David J. Deno

David J. Deno Executive Vice President and Chief Financial and Administrative Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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FIRST AMENDMENT TO LOAN AGREEMENT

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT TO LOAN AGREEMENT ("Amendment") is made and entered into as of the 27th day of July, 2016, between NEW PRIVATE RESTAURANT PROPERTIES, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Borrower"), and WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national banking association (together with its successors and assigns, "Lender").

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, Borrower and Lender entered into that certain Loan Agreement dated as of February 11, 2016 (the "Loan Agreement") in connection with that certain loan in the original principal amount of \$300,000,000.00 made by Lender to Borrower;

WHEREAS, Borrower has requested that Lender make an additional advance of the Loan (as defined in the Loan Agreement) in the amount of \$69,511,522.46 (the "Additional Advance") to Borrower on the date of this Amendment;

WHEREAS, the Outstanding Loan Balance (as defined in the Loan Agreement) is \$189,244,477.54 as of the date of this Amendment prior to making the Additional Advance; and

WHEREAS, Lender and Borrower desire to amend the Loan Agreement as set forth herein.

NOW THEREFORE, Borrower and Lender hereby agree as follows:

- 1. Lender agrees to make the Additional Advance to Borrower on the date of this Amendment. The Note (as defined in the Loan Agreement) shall evidence Borrower's obligation to pay the Additional Advance.
 - 2. The first recital of the Loan Agreement is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:
- "A. Borrower desires to finance the one hundred five (105) properties described on <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto (all such properties, together with all Improvements and personal property owned by Borrower thereon, collectively, the "Properties")."
 - 3. Exhibit A to the Loan Agreement is replaced with Exhibit A attached hereto.
 - 4. Section 9.5(d) of the Loan Agreement is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:
 - "(d) if after the end of the twelfth (12th) full calendar month of the Initial Term beginning with the first (1st) day of the thirteenth (13th) full calendar month thereof the then Outstanding Loan Balance exceeds the following maximum thresholds ("Maximum Threshold"); provided, however, if the Extension Option is not exercised, the then Outstanding Loan Balance and all other amounts then due and payable hereunder and under the other Loan Documents shall be payable

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on the Initial Maturity Date. If the Extension Option is exercised, the then Outstanding Loan Balance and all other amounts then due and payable hereunder and under the other Loan Documents shall be payable on the Extension Maturity Date:

Months 13-18: \$219,942,600.00 Months 19-24: \$160,000,000.00 Months 25-30: \$110,000,000.00 Months 31-35: \$60,000,000.00 \$0.00

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(and the Blocked Condition shall continue until such time as the Outstanding Loan Balance is reduced below the applicable Maximum Threshold).

The existence or continuation of a Blocked Condition shall be a Cash Trap Event under the Cash Management Agreement."

- Borrower shall deliver to Lender, prior to the Additional Advance, (i) opinions of legal counsel in form and content reasonably satisfactory to Lender with respect to this Amendment, (ii) executed amendments to the Mortgages (as defined in the Loan Agreement) reasonably satisfactory to Lender to reflect the Additional Advance, (iii) commitments for endorsements to the mortgage loan title insurance policies issued to Lender in connection with the Loan reasonably satisfactory to Lender to reflect the Additional Advance and (iv) such additional items as are reasonably requested by Lender in connection with the Additional Advance.
 - 6. Borrower shall pay to Lender an advance fee in the amount of \$521,336.42 on the date of this Amendment.
- Borrower shall pay all of Lender's fees and expenses incurred in connection with the execution and delivery of this Amendment including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys fees and expenses.
 - 8. Except as hereby modified, the terms and conditions of the Loan Agreement remain in full force and effect.
- 9. This Amendment shall be deemed to be a contract made under, and for all purposes shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.
- This Amendment may be signed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be an original, with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Borrower and Lender have executed this Amendment as of the date first written above.

BORROWER:

NEW PRIVATE RESTAURANT PROPERTIES, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company

By: /s/ Michael A'Hearn

Name: Michael A'Hearn

Vice President and Treasurer Title:

LENDER:

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

/s/ Stephen Leon By:

Stephen Leon Name: Title: Managing Director

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The undersigned Guarantor (as defined in the Loan Agreement) acknowledges and consents to all of the terms and conditions of this Amendment and agrees that this Amendment and any documents executed in connection herewith do not operate to reduce or discharge such Guarantor's obligations under the Loan Documents, including any guaranty or indemnity agreements executed by such Guarantor.

GUARANTOR:

OSI HOLDCO I, INC., a Delaware corporation

By: /s/ Kelly B. Lefferts

Name: Kelly B. Lefferts Title: Assistant Secretary

EXHIBIT A

LIST OF PROPERTIES AND ALLOCATED LOAN AMOUNTS

Unit#	Brand	Address	City	ST	Allocated Loan Amount
1264	OBS	2925 Ross Clark Drive	Dothan	AL	[***]
0314	OBS	1650 South Clearview	Mesa	AZ	[***]
0325	OBS	99 South Highway 92	Sierra Vista	AZ	[***]
0326	OBS	1860 E. McKellips Road	Mesa	AZ	[***]
5301	CIG	1740 South Clearview	Mesa	AZ	[***]
1001	CIG	12990 S. Cleveland Avenue	Fort Myers	FL	[***]
1002	CIG	4320 N. Tamiami Trail	Naples	FL	[***]
1008	CIG	2700 SE Federal Highway	Stuart	FL	[***]
1022	OBS	3215 SW College Road	Ocala	FL	[***]
1023	OBS	11308 N. 56th Street	Temple Terrace	FL	[***]
1025	OBS	170 Cypress Gardens Blvd.	Winter Haven	FL	[***]
1028	OBS	4905 Commerical Way	Spring Hill	FL	[***]
1029	OBS	5710 Oakley Boulevard	Wesley Chapel	FL	[***]
1030	OBS	9773 San Jose Boulevard	Jacksonville	FL	[***]
1033	OBS	1775 Wells Road	Orange Park	FL	[***]
1036	OBS	861 W. 23rd Street	Panama City	FL	[***]
1061	OBS	180 Hickman Drive	Sanford	FL	[***]
1063	OBS	9600 U.S. Highway 441	Leesburg	FL	[***]
2001	FPS	4322 W. Boy Scout Blvd.	Tampa	FL	[***]
2015	OBS	2225 Highway 44 West	Inverness	FL	[***]
6006	CIG	2501 University Drive	Coral Springs	FL	[***]
6007	CIG	60 Palmetto Avenue	Merritt Island	FL	[***]
6013	CIG	4829 S. Florida Avenue	Lakeland	FL	[***]
6020	CIG	3530 Tyrone Boulevard	Saint Petersburg	FL	[***]

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Unit#	Brand	Address	City	ST	Allocated Loan Amount
6029	CIG	1285 US Highway 1	Vero Beach	FL	[***]
6035	CIG	910 3rd Street SW	Winter Haven	FL	[***]
2014/6052	OBS/CIG	1203-1205 Townsgate Court	Plant City	FL	[***]
2017/6048	OBS/CIG	11902-11950 Sheldon Road	Tampa	FL	[***]
1101	CIG	3913 River Place Drive	Macon	GA	[***]
1102	CIG	1160 Ernest Barrett Pkwy.	Kennesaw	GA	[***]
1108	CIG	1887 Mount Zion Road	Morrow	GA	[***]
1119	OBS	810 Ernest Barrett Pkwy.	Kennesaw	GA	[***]
1125	OBS	3 Reinhardt College Pkwy.	Canton	GA	[***]
1134	OBS	823 N. Westover Boulevard	Albany	GA	[***]
1135	OBS	1824 Club House Drive	Valdosta	GA	[***]
1611	OBS	3939 1st Avenue SE	Cedar Rapids	IA	[***]
1414	OBS	2855 W. Ogden Avenue	Naperville	IL	[***]
1416	OBS	15608 S. Harlem Avenue	Orland Park	IL	[***]
1418	OBS	6007 E. State Street	Rockford	IL	[***]
1516	OBS	3201 W. 3rd Street	Bloomington	IN	[***]
1520	OBS	2315 Post Drive	Indianapolis	IN	[***]
1521	OBS	3730 S. Reed Road	Kokomo	IN	[***]
1813	OBS	6520 Signature Drive	Louisville	KY	[***]
1851	OBS	3260 Scottsville Road	Bowling Green	KY	[***]
1961	OBS	2715 Village Lane	Bossier City	LA	[***]
6903	CIG	2010 Kaliste Saloom Road	Lafayette	LA	[***]
2139	OBS	4420 Long Gate Parkway	Ellicott City	MD	[***]
7101	CIG	4430 Long Gate Parkway	Ellicott City	MD	[***]
2315	OBS	3650 28th Street SE	Kentwood	MI	[***]
2320	OBS	1515 W. 14 Mile Road	Madison Heights	MI	[***]
2321	OBS	1501 Boardman Road	Jackson	МІ	[***]

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Unit#	Brand	Address	City	ST	Allocated Loan Amount
2325	OBS	6435 Dixie Highway	Clarkston	MI	[***]
2326	OBS	7873 Conference Center Dr	Brighton	MI	[***]
2411	OBS	8880 Springbrook Drive NW	Coon Rapids	MN	[***]
2619	OBS	3110 E. 36th Street	Joplin	МО	[***]
3402	CIG	10408 E Independence Blvd	Matthews	NC	[***]
3420	CIG	4821 Capital Boulevard	Raleigh	NC	[***]
3448	OBS	501 N. New Hope Road	Gastonia	NC	[***]
3458	OBS	8280 Valley Boulevard	Blowing Rock	NC	[***]
3460	OBS	250 Mitchelle Drive	Hendersonville	NC	[***]
3102	CIG	500 Route 38 East	Maple Shade	NJ	[***]
3110	OBS	230 Lake Drive East	Cherry Hill	NJ	[***]
3114	OBS	1397 U.S. Route 9 North	Old Bridge	NJ	[***]
3214	OBS	8671 W. Sahara Avenue	Las Vegas	NV	[***]
3217	OBS	2625 W. Craig Road	North Las Vegas	NV	[***]
3220	OBS	7380 S. Las Vegas Blvd.	Las Vegas	NV	[***]
3633	OBS	6950 Ridge Road	Parma	ОН	[***]
3662	OBS	930 Interstate Drive	Findlay	ОН	[***]
3915	OBS	3527 N. Union Deposit Rd.	Harrisburg	PA	[***]
3951	OBS	9395 McKnight Road	Pittsburgh	PA	[***]
3952	OBS	100 Sheraton Drive	Altoona	PA	[***]
3917/8908	OBS/CIG	100 North Pointe Blvd.	Lancaster	PA	[***]
4117	OBS	110 Interstate Boulevard	Anderson	sc	[***]
4318	OBS	1390 Interstate Drive	Cookeville	TN	[***]
4319	OBS	2790 Wilma Rudolph Blvd.	Clarksville	TN	[***]
4324	OBS	1125 Franklin Road	Lebanon	TN	[***]
4350	OBS	536 Paul Huff Parkway	Cleveland	TN	[***]
9301	CIG	324 N. Peter's Road	Knoxville	TN	[***]

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Unit#	Brand	Address	City	ST	Allocated Loan Amount
4401	CIG	11339 Katy Freeway	Houston	TX	[***]
4403	CIG	11590 Research Boulevard	Austin	TX	[***]
4404	CIG	2335 Highway 6	Sugar Land	TX	[***]
4405	CIG	12507 W. Interstate 10	San Antonio	TX	[***]
4406	CIG	25665 Interstate 45 North	The Woodlands	TX	[***]
4418	OBS	2102 South Texas Avenue	College Station	TX	[***]
4422	OBS	11600 Research Boulevard	Austin	TX	[***]
4424	OBS	2060 I-10 South	Beaumont	TX	[***]
4429	OBS	4205 South IH 35	San Marcos	TX	[***]
4454	OBS	3903 Towne Crossing Blvd.	Mesquite	TX	[***]
4461	OBS	2211 S. Stemmons Freeway	Lewisville	TX	[***]
4462	OBS	2314 W. Loop 250 North	Midland	TX	[***]
4463	OBS	7101 W. Interstate Hwy 40	Amarillo	TX	[***]
4464	OBS	4015 South Loop 289	Lubbock	TX	[***]
4466	OBS	300 South I-35 East	Denton	TX	[***]
4467	OBS	501 East Loop 281	Longview	TX	[***]
4469	OBS	2701 E. Central Texas Expwy	Killeen	TX	[***]
4470	OBS	11875 Gateway West	El Paso	TX	[***]
4473	OBS	4505 Sherwood Way	San Angelo	TX	[***]
4474	OBS	4142 Ridgemont Drive	Abilene	TX	[***]
4478	OBS	13265 South Freeway	Fort Worth	TX	[***]
4716	OBS	7917 W. Broad Street	Richmond	VA	[***]
4717	OBS	1101 Seminole Trail	Charlottesville	VA	[***]
4724	OBS	261 University Boulevard	Harrisonburg	VA	[***]
4762	OBS	3121 Albert Lankford Dr.	Lynchburg	VA	[***]
4813	OBS	311 Hampton Court	Onalaska	WI	[***]
4961	OBS	111 Hylton Lane	Beckley	WV	[***]

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July 29, 2016

Gregg Scarlett

Dear Gregg,

This letter agreement confirms the verbal promotion extended to you to be Bloomin' Brands, Inc. (the "Company") Executive Vice President, President, Outback Steakhouse® reporting to Liz Smith, Chief Executive Officer. Your start date is July 29, 2016. The terms of your employment will be:

You will be employed by a subsidiary of the Company (the "Employer") and will be paid an annual base salary of \$540,000 payable in equal bi-weekly installments.

You will be eligible to participate in the Company's annual bonus program at a target bonus of 85% of your base salary based on both Company performance against objectives as set forth in the Company bonus program and individual performance. Your bonus payout for the 2016 fiscal year will be prorated based on your time in each job at the respective targets, through the end of the fiscal year, provided that you remain employed by the Employer through the payout date.

You will remain eligible for the 2016 annual long-term incentive grant. In addition, you will be eligible for the 2017 annual long-term incentive grant. Per the current plan, you may be eligible for a target up to 125% of your base salary, which will be subject to company and individual performance.

The Company will issue you a one-time grant of 100,000 stock options and a one-time grant of 25,000 restricted stock units. Both grants will have standard vesting of four years contingent on continued employment with the Company or the Employer. All grants are subject to the terms of our 2016 Equity Plan (the "Plan") and our standard award agreement. Our standard equity agreement includes a "double trigger" provision to protect you in the event of a change-in-control. The details of the Plan and the form of grant agreement will be provided to you separately.

You will remain eligible to participate in the following benefits as applicable and in accordance with the terms of Company policy:

- · Medical Benefits Plan
- Annual Executive Medical Check-Up
- · Salaried Short-Term Disability Insurance
- Salaried Long-Term Disability Insurance
- Company Paid Group Term Life Insurance
- Company Paid Accidental Death and Dismemberment
- Dental Benefits Plan
- Vision Benefits Plan
- · Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan
- Comp Meal Benefit Program

In the ordinary course of business, pay and benefit plans continue to evolve as business needs and laws change. To the extent the Company or the Employer determines it to be necessary or desirable to change











or eliminate any of the plans or programs in which you participate, such changes will apply to you as they do to other similarly situated employees.

As a condition of your employment, please note the following:

While it is our sincere hope and belief that our relationship will be mutually beneficial, the Company and the Employer do not offer employment for a specified term. Any statements made to you in this letter and in meetings should not be construed in any manner as a proposed contract for any such term. Both you and the Employer may terminate employment at any time, with or without prior notice, for any or no reason, and with or without cause.

As a further condition of your employment you agree to the following:

Restrictive Covenant - Non-competition

- 1. <u>During Employment</u>. You will devote one hundred percent (100%) of your full business time, attention, energies, and effort to the business affairs of the Employer and the Company. Except with the prior written consent of the Employer, during your employment with the Company or the Employer, you shall not, individually or jointly with others, directly or indirectly, whether for your own account or for that of any other person or entity, engage in or own or hold any ownership interest in any person or entity engaged in a full service restaurant business, and you shall not act as an officer, director, employee, partner, independent contractor, consultant, principal, agent, proprietor or in any other capacity for, nor lend any assistance (financial or otherwise) or cooperation to, any such person or entity. You shall not serve on the board of directors or advisory committee of any other company without the prior consent of the Employer, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- 2. <u>Post Term.</u> Commencing on termination your employment with the Employer, you shall not, individually or jointly with others, directly or indirectly, whether for your own account or for that of any other person or entity, engage in or own or hold any ownership interest in any person or entity engaged in a full table service restaurant business and that is located or intended to be located anywhere within a radius of thirty (30) miles of any full table service restaurant owned or operated by the Company, the Employer, their subsidiaries, franchisees or affiliates, or any affiliates of any of the foregoing, or any proposed full table service restaurant to be owned or operated by any of the foregoing, and you shall not act as an officer, director, employee, partner, independent contractor, consultant, principal, agent, proprietor or in any other capacity for, nor lend any assistance (financial or otherwise) or cooperation to, any such person or entity for the time period specified below:
 - a) If your employment with Employer ends for any other reason other than your voluntary resignation, then for a continuous period equal to the period of time used for calculating the amount of severance paid to you upon termination, if any; or
 - (b) If your employment with the Employer ends as a result of your voluntary resignation or termination by the Employer for Cause (as defined on Schedule 1), for a continuous period of one (1) year.

For purposes of this Non-competition clause, restaurants owned or operated by the Company or the Employer shall include all restaurants owned or operated by the Company, the Employer, their subsidiaries, franchisees











or affiliates and any successor entity to the Company, the Employer, their subsidiaries, franchisees or affiliates, and any entity in which the Company or the Employer, its subsidiaries or any of their affiliates has an interest, including but not limited to, an interest as a franchisor. The term "proposed restaurant" shall include all locations for which the Company, the Employer, or their franchisees or affiliates is conducting active, bona fide negotiations to secure a fee or leasehold interest with the intention of establishing a restaurant thereon.

3. <u>Limitation</u>. It shall not be a violation of this Non-competition clause for Employee to own a one percent (1%) or smaller interest in any corporation required to file periodic reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or successor statute.

Restrictive Covenant - Non-disclosure; Non-solicitation; Non-piracy

- 4. Except in the performance of your duties hereunder, at no time during your employment with the Company or the Employer, or at any time thereafter, shall you, individually or jointly with others, for your benefit of or for the benefit of any third party, publish, disclose, use or authorize anyone else to publish, disclose or use any secret or confidential material or information relating to any aspect of the business or operations of the Employer, the Company or any of their affiliates, including, without limitation, any secret or confidential information relating to the business, customers, trade or industrial practices, trade secrets, technology, recipes, product specifications, restaurant operating techniques and procedures, marketing techniques and procedures, financial data, processes, vendors and other information or know-how of the Employer, the Company or any of their affiliates, except (i) to the extent required by law, regulation or valid subpoena, or (ii) to the extent that such information or material becomes publicly known or available through no fault of your own.
- 5. Moreover, during your employment with the Employer and for two (2) years thereafter, except as is the result of a broad solicitation that is not targeting employees of the Employer, the Company or any of their franchisees or affiliates, you shall not offer employment to, or hire, any employee of the Employer, the Company or any of their franchisees or affiliates, or otherwise directly or indirectly solicit or induce any employee of the Employer, the Company or any of their franchisees or affiliates to terminate his or her employment with the Employer, the Company or any of their franchisees or affiliates; nor shall you act as an officer, director, employee, partner, independent contractor, consultant, principal, agent, proprietor, owner or part owner, or in any other capacity, of or for any person or entity that solicits or otherwise induces any employee of the Employer, the Company or any of their franchisees or affiliates.

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6. All Employer and Company property and assets, including but not limited to products, recipes, product specifications, training materials, employee selection and testing materials, marketing and advertising materials, special event, charitable and community activity materials, customer correspondence, internal memoranda, products and designs, sales information, project files, price lists, customer and vendor lists, prospectus reports, customer or vendor information, sales literature, territory printouts, call books, notebooks, textbooks, and all other like information or products, including but not limited to all copies, duplications, replications, and derivatives of such information or products, now in your possession or acquired by you while in the employ of the Employer shall be the exclusive property of the Employer and shall be returned to the Employer no later than the date of your last day of work with the Employer.











Restrictive Covenant - Inventions, Ideas, Processes, and Designs

7. All inventions, ideas, recipes, processes, programs, software and designs (including all improvements) related to the business of the Employer or the Company shall be disclosed in writing promptly to the Employer, and shall be the sole and exclusive property of the Employer, if either (i) conceived, made or used by you during the course of the your employment with the Employer (whether or not actually conceived during regular business hours) or (ii) made or used by you for a period of six (6) months subsequent to the termination or expiration of such employment. Any invention, idea, recipe, process, program, software or design (including an improvement) shall be deemed "related to the business of the Employer or the Company" if (i) it was made with equipment, facilities or confidential information of the Employer or the Company, (ii) results from work performed by you for the Employer or the Company or (iii) pertains to the current business or demonstrably anticipated research or development work of the Employer or the Company. You shall cooperate with the Employer and its attorneys in the preparation of patent and copyright applications for such developments and, upon request, shall promptly assign all such inventions, ideas, recipes, processes and designs to the Employer. The decision to file for patent or copyright protection or to maintain such development as a trade secret shall be in the sole discretion of the Employer, and you shall be bound by such decision. You shall provide, on the back of this Agreement, a complete list of all inventions, ideas, recipes, processes and designs if any, patented or unpatented, copyrighted or non-copyrighted, including a brief description, that you made or conceived prior to your employment with the Employer, and that, therefore, are excluded from the scope of the employment with the Employer.

The restrictive covenants contained in this agreement are given and made by you to induce the Employer to employ you and to enter into this Agreement with you, and you hereby acknowledge that employment with the Employer is sufficient consideration for these restrictive covenants. The restrictive covenants shall be construed as agreements independent of any other provision in this Agreement, and the existence of any claim or cause of action you may have against the Employer or the Company, whether predicated upon this Agreement or otherwise, shall not constitute a defense to the enforcement of any restrictive covenant. The refusal or failure of the Employer or the Company to enforce any restrictive covenant of this agreement (or any similar agreement) against any other employee, agent, or independent contractor, for any reason, shall not constitute a defense to the enforcement by the Employer or the Company of any such restrictive covenant, nor shall it give rise to any claim or cause of action by you against the Employer or the Company.

You agree that a breach of any of the restrictive covenants contained in this agreement will cause irreparable injury to the Employer and the Company for which the remedy at law will be inadequate and would be difficult to ascertain and therefore, in the event of the breach or threatened breach of any such covenants, the Employer and the Company shall be entitled, in addition to any other rights and remedies it may have at law or in equity, to obtain an injunction to restrain you from any threatened or actual activities in violation of any such covenants. You hereby consent and agree that temporary and permanent injunctive relief may be granted in any proceedings that might be brought to enforce any such covenants without the necessity of proof of actual damages, and in the event the Employer or the Company does apply for such an injunction, you shall not raise as a defense thereto that the Employer or the Company has an adequate remedy at law.

For the avoidance of doubt, the termination of this agreement for any reason, shall not extinguish your obligations specified in these restrictive covenants.











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You shall be responsible for the payment of all taxes applicable to payments or benefits received from the Employer or the Company. It is the intent of the Employer and the Company that the provisions of this agreement and all other plans and programs sponsored by the Employer and the Company be interpreted to comply in all respects with Internal Revenue Code Section 409A, however, the Employer and the Company shall have no liability to you, or any of your successors or beneficiaries, in the event taxes, penalties or excise taxes may ultimately be determined to be applicable to any payment or benefit received by you or your successors or beneficiaries.

The validity, interpretation, and performance of this agreement shall be governed, interpreted, and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida without giving effect to the principles of comity or conflicts of laws thereof.

This letter constitutes the full commitments which have been extended to you and shall supersede any prior agreements whether oral or written. However, this does not constitute a contract of employment for any period of time. Should you have any questions regarding these commitments or your ability to conform to Bloomin' Brands policies and procedures, please let me know immediately.

By signing this offer, you indicate your acceptance of our offer. Please keep one original copy of this offer letter for your personal files.











We look forward to having you join us as a member of our executive team. This signed offer letter and any accompanying documentation must be returned to Ashlee Jordan, Director, Executive Compensation.

Sincerely,

/s/ Pablo Brizi

Pablo Brizi

SVP, Chief Human Resources Officer Bloomin' Brands, Inc.

I accept the above offer to be employed by Bloomin' Brands, Inc. and I understand the terms as set forth above.

 /s/ Gregg Scarlett
 08/03/16

 Gregg Scarlett
 Date











Schedule 1

"Cause" shall be defined as:

- 1. Your failure to perform the duties required of you in a manner satisfactory to the Employer, in its sole discretion after the Employer follows the following procedures: (a) the Employer gives you a written notice ("Notice of Deficiency") which shall specify the deficiencies in your performance of duties; (b) you shall have a period of thirty (30) days, commencing on receipt of the Notice of Deficiency, in which to cure the deficiencies contained in the Notice of Deficiency; and (c) in the event you do not cure the deficiencies to the satisfaction of the Employer, in its sole discretion, within such thirty (30) day period (or if during such thirty (30) day period the Employer determines that you are not making reasonable, good faith efforts to cure the deficiencies to the satisfaction of the Employer), the Employer shall have the right to immediately terminate your employment for Cause. The provisions of this paragraph (1) may be invoked by the Employer any number of times and cure of deficiencies contained in any Notice of Deficiency shall not be construed as a waiver of this paragraph (1) nor prevent the Employer from issuing any subsequent Notices of Deficiency; or
- Any dishonesty by you in the your dealings with the Company, the Employer or their affiliates; your commission of fraud, negligence in the performance of your duties; insubordination; willful misconduct; or your conviction (or plea of guilty or nolo contendere), indictment or charge with respect to, any felony, or any other crime involving dishonesty or moral turpitude; or
- 3. Any violation of the restrictive covenants of this agreement or
- 4. Any violation of any current or future material published policy of the Employer or its Affiliates (material published policies include, but are not limited to, the Employer's discrimination and harassment policy, management dating policy, responsible alcohol policy, insider trading policy, ethics policy and security policy); or
- For all purposes of this Agreement, termination for Cause shall be deemed to have occurred in the event of the Employee's resignation when, because of existing facts and circumstances, subsequent termination for Cause can be reasonably foreseen.











July 29, 2016

David Schmidt

Dear Dave.

This letter agreement confirms the verbal promotion extended to you to be Bloomin' Brands, Inc. (the "Company") Executive Vice President, President, Bonefish Grill® reporting to Liz Smith, Chief Executive Officer. Your start date is July 29, 2016. The terms of your employment will be:

You will be employed by a subsidiary of the Company (the "Employer") and will be paid an annual base salary of \$400,000 payable in equal bi-weekly installments.

You will be eligible to participate in the Company's annual bonus program at a target bonus of 85% of your base salary based on both Company performance against objectives as set forth in the Company bonus program and individual performance. Your bonus payout for the 2016 fiscal year will be prorated based on your time in each job at the respective targets, through the end of the fiscal year, provided that you remain employed by the Employer through the payout date. Your bonus will be based on the Bonefish Grill concept multiplier for the entire 2016 fiscal year.

You will remain eligible for the 2016 annual long-term incentive grant. In addition, you will be eligible for the 2017 annual long-term incentive grant. Per the current plan, you may be eligible for a target up to 100% of your base salary, which will be subject to company and individual performance.

The Company will issue you a one-time grant of 100,000 stock options and a one-time grant of 25,000 restricted stock units. Both grants will have standard vesting of four years contingent on continued employment with the Company or the Employer. All grants are subject to the terms of our 2016 Equity Plan (the "Plan") and our standard award agreement. Our standard equity agreement includes a "double trigger" provision to protect you in the event of a change-in-control. The details of the Plan and the form of grant agreement will be provided to you separately.

You will be eligible to participate in the following benefits as applicable and in accordance with the terms of Company policy:

- Medical Benefits Plan
- Annual Executive Medical Check-Up
- Salaried Short-Term Disability Insurance
- Salaried Long-Term Disability Insurance
- Company Paid Group Term Life Insurance
- Company Paid Accidental Death and Dismemberment
- Dental Benefits Plan
- Vision Benefits Plan
- Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan
- Comp Meal Benefit Program

In the ordinary course of business, pay and benefit plans continue to evolve as business needs and laws change. To the extent the Company or the Employer determines it to be necessary or desirable to change











or eliminate any of the plans or programs in which you participate, such changes will apply to you as they do to other similarly situated employees.

As a condition of your employment, please note the following:

While it is our sincere hope and belief that our relationship will be mutually beneficial, the Company and the Employer do not offer employment for a specified term. Any statements made to you in this letter and in meetings should not be construed in any manner as a proposed contract for any such term. Both you and the Employer may terminate employment at any time, with or without prior notice, for any or no reason, and with or without cause.

As a further condition of your employment you agree to the following:

Restrictive Covenant - Non-competition

- 1. <u>During Employment</u>. You will devote one hundred percent (100%) of your full business time, attention, energies, and effort to the business affairs of the Employer and the Company. Except with the prior written consent of the Employer, during your employment with the Company or the Employer, you shall not, individually or jointly with others, directly or indirectly, whether for your own account or for that of any other person or entity, engage in or own or hold any ownership interest in any person or entity engaged in a full service restaurant business, and you shall not act as an officer, director, employee, partner, independent contractor, consultant, principal, agent, proprietor or in any other capacity for, nor lend any assistance (financial or otherwise) or cooperation to, any such person or entity. You shall not serve on the board of directors or advisory committee of any other company without the prior consent of the Employer, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- 2. <u>Post Term.</u> Commencing on termination your employment with the Employer, you shall not, individually or jointly with others, directly or indirectly, whether for your own account or for that of any other person or entity, engage in or own or hold any ownership interest in any person or entity engaged in a full table service restaurant business and that is located or intended to be located anywhere within a radius of thirty (30) miles of any full table service restaurant owned or operated by the Company, the Employer, their subsidiaries, franchisees or affiliates, or any affiliates of any of the foregoing, or any proposed full table service restaurant to be owned or operated by any of the foregoing, and you shall not act as an officer, director, employee, partner, independent contractor, consultant, principal, agent, proprietor or in any other capacity for, nor lend any assistance (financial or otherwise) or cooperation to, any such person or entity for the time period specified below:
 - a) If your employment with Employer ends for any other reason other than your voluntary resignation, then for a continuous period equal to the period of time used for calculating the amount of severance paid to you upon termination, if any; or
 - (b) If your employment with the Employer ends as a result of your voluntary resignation or termination by the Employer for Cause (as defined on Schedule 1), for a continuous period of one (1) year.











For purposes of this Non-competition clause, restaurants owned or operated by the Company or the Employer shall include all restaurants owned or operated by the Company, the Employer, their subsidiaries, franchisees

or affiliates and any successor entity to the Company, the Employer, their subsidiaries, franchisees or affiliates, and any entity in which the Company or the Employer, its subsidiaries or any of their affiliates has an interest, including but not limited to, an interest as a franchisor. The term "proposed restaurant" shall include all locations for which the Company, the Employer, or their franchisees or affiliates is conducting active, bona fide negotiations to secure a fee or leasehold interest with the intention of establishing a restaurant thereon.

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We look forward to having you join us as a member of our executive team. This signed offer letter and any accompanying documentation must be returned to Ashlee Jordan, Director, Executive Compensation.

Sincerely,

/s/ Pablo Brizi

Pablo Brizi SVP, Chief Human Resources Officer

Bloomin' Brands, Inc.

I accept the above offer to be employed by Bloomin' Brands, Inc. and I understand the terms as set forth above.

 /s/ David Schmidt
 7/29/2016

 David Schmidt
 Date











Schedule 1

"Cause" shall be defined as:

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CERTIFICATION

I, Elizabeth A. Smith, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Bloomin' Brands, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 2, 2016 /s/ Elizabeth A. Smith

Elizabeth A. Smith

Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

CERTIFICATION

I. David J. Deno, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Bloomin' Brands, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
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 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 2, 2016 /s/ David J. Deno

David J. Deno

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial and Administrative Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Bloomin' Brands, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 25, 2016 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Elizabeth A. Smith, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, to the best of my knowledge, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company for the dates and periods covered by the Report.

Date: November 2, 2016 /s/ Elizabeth A. Smith

Elizabeth A. Smith Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to, and will be retained by, Bloomin' Brands, Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Bloomin' Brands, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 25, 2016 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, David J. Deno, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial and Administrative Officer of the Company, hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, to the best of my knowledge, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company for the dates and periods covered by the Report.

Date: November 2, 2016 /s/ David J. Deno

David J. Deno

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial and Administrative Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to, and will be retained by, Bloomin' Brands, Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.