

# Forward-Looking Statements

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# First Quarter Fiscal 2024 Conference Call

December 5, 2023

# PLEDGE & VALUES

AutoZoners always put customers first!

We know our parts and products.

Our stores look great!

We've got the best merchandise at the right price.



### An AutoZoner Always...

### PUTS CUSTOMERS FIRST

Exceed your customers' expectations by providing WOW! Customer Service and going the Extra Mile. Understand your customers' needs and solve their problems. Treat each customer as your only customer.

### **CARES ABOUT PEOPLE**

Treat people with dignity and respect. Recognize great work and provide frequent feedback. Demonstrate concern for others and your community. Create a safe environment. Own your development and help develop others.

### STRIVES FOR EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE

Be accountable and honor your commitments. Act in a manner of the highest legal and ethical standards. Use resources wisely and promote a culture of thrift. Take strong initiative, act quickly and do the job right the first time.

### **ENERGIZES OTHERS**

Share your passion for the business. Generate enthusiasm, motivate others and promote innovation. Listen and assume positive intent in others.

### **EMBRACES DIVERSITY**

Welcome each individual's heritage, differences and unique qualities. Build teams with diverse thoughts, skills, knowledge and backgrounds. Value the ideas and opinions of others.

### **HELPS TEAMS SUCCEED**

Actively contribute to team goals and seek opportunities to lead. Be a reliable and supportive team member. Strive for accurate and clear communication. Place team goals over personal goals.



# First Quarter FY 2024

## **Financial Highlights**

- ✓ Net Sales +5.1%
- ✓ Total Company SSS +2.1%; Domestic SSS +1.2%; International SSS +10.9% (Constant Currency<sup>(1)</sup>)
- ✓ Diluted weighted shares outstanding decreased 7.2% vs Q1 FY23
- ✓ During Q1 FY24, we returned \$1.5B to our shareholders through share repurchases

|   | 12 Weeks Ended<br>November 18, 2023 |       | 12 We             | eks Ended |                               |  |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|--|
| in millions (excluding EPS and percentages) |                                     |       | November 19, 2022 |           | Better/(Worse)                |  |
| Net Sales                                   | \$                                  | 4,190 | \$                | 3,985     | 5.1%                          |  |
| Gross Margin                                |                                     | 52.8% |                   | 50.1%     | <b>279</b> bps <sup>(2)</sup> |  |
| Operating Expense Ratio                     |                                     | 32.6% |                   | 31.9%     | (68 bps)                      |  |
| Operating Profit (EBIT)                     | \$                                  | 849   | \$                | 723       | <b>17.4%</b> <sup>(2)</sup>   |  |
| Operating (EBIT) Margin                     |                                     | 20.3% |                   | 18.1%     | <b>211</b> bps <sup>(2)</sup> |  |
| Interest                                    | \$                                  | 91    | \$                | 58        | (58.3%)                       |  |
| Tax Rate                                    |                                     | 21.6% |                   | 18.9%     | (269 bps)                     |  |
| Net Income                                  | \$                                  | 593   | \$                | 539       | <b>10.0%</b> <sup>(2)</sup>   |  |
| Diluted Shares                              |                                     | 18.2  |                   | 19.6      | 7.2%                          |  |
| Diluted EPS                                 | \$                                  | 32.55 | \$                | 27.45     | <b>18.6%</b> <sup>(2)</sup>   |  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Same Store Sales are based on sales for all stores open at least one year. Constant Currency same store sales exclude the impact of flucuations of foreign currency exchange rates by converting both the current year and prior year international results at the prior year foreign currency exchange rate.



<sup>(2)</sup> Includes \$2MM non-cash LIFO benefit, pre-tax, for the 12 weeks ended November 18, 2023 and \$81MM non-cash LIFO charge, pre-tax, for the 12 weeks ended November 19, 2022.

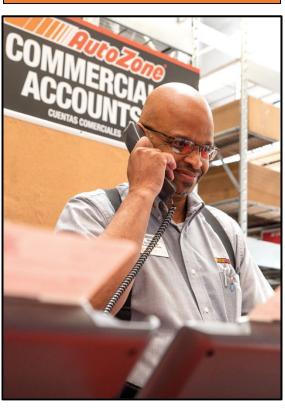
# **Growth Priorities**

U.S. Retail (DIY)











# **New Store Highlights**

| Domes   | tic:                          |                   | 12 Weeks Ended<br>November 18, 2023 | 12 Weeks Ended<br>November 19, 2022 |  |
|---------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
|         | Beginning stores              |                   | 6,300                               | 6,168                               |  |
|         | Stores opened                 |                   | 17                                  | 28                                  |  |
|         | Stores closed                 |                   | (1)                                 |                                     |  |
|         | Ending domestic stores        |                   | 6,316                               | 6,196                               |  |
|         | Relocated stores              |                   | -                                   | 3                                   |  |
|         | Square footage (in thousands) |                   | 41,749                              | 40,874                              |  |
| Mexico: |                               |                   |                                     |                                     |  |
|         | Beginning stores              |                   | 740                                 | 703                                 |  |
|         | Stores opened                 |                   | 5                                   | 3                                   |  |
|         | Ending Mexico st              | ores              | 745                                 | 706                                 |  |
| Brazil: |                               |                   |                                     |                                     |  |
|         | Beginning stores              |                   | 100                                 | 72                                  |  |
|         | Stores opened                 |                   | 4                                   | 4                                   |  |
|         | Ending Brazil sto             | res               | 104                                 | 76                                  |  |
| Total:  |                               | :                 | 7,165                               | 6,978                               |  |
|         | Total Company s               | tores opened, net | 25                                  | 35                                  |  |
|         | Square footage (              | in thousands)     | 48,062                              | 46,708                              |  |
|         | Square footage p              | er store          | 6,708                               | 6,694                               |  |

During Q1 FY24, we expanded our footprint in the US by opening 16 net new stores.

We also continued our international expansion efforts by opening new stores in Mexico and Brazil. In Mexico, our footprint increased 5.5% as compared to Q1 FY23, while in Brazil, our store count has increased 36.8% since Q1 FY23.

# **Domestic Commercial Highlights**

|  | # of              |                        |
|--|-------------------|------------------------|
|  | Commercial        |                        |
|  | Programs          |                        |
| Total Domestic Commercial Programs             | 5,803             |                        |
| % increase in programs vs. LY                  | 6.3%              |                        |
|  | 12 Weeks Ended    |                        |
|  | November 18, 2023 | <b>Trailing 4 Qtrs</b> |
| Domestic Commercial Sales<br>(\$ millions)     | \$1,092.9         | \$4,657.0              |
| % increase in sales                            | 5.7%              | 6.7%                   |
|  | 12 Weeks Ended    |                        |
|  | November 18, 2023 | Trailing 4 Qtrs*       |
| Domestic Avg Wkly \$/Program<br>(\$ thousands) | \$15.9            | \$15.9                 |
| % (decrease)/increase                          | (0.6%)            | 1.3%                   |

Commercial sales continued to grow, increasing 5.7% versus Q1 FY23.

We have a Commercial Program in 92% of Domestic Stores now as compared to 88% in Q1 FY23.

# **Balance Sheet Highlights**

| (\$ in millions, except per store amounts are in thousands) | As of November 18, 2023 |                  | As of November 19, 2022 |                  | Higher/(Lower)     |
|---|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Inventory<br>Inventory/store                                | \$<br>\$                | 5,774<br>806     | \$<br>\$                | 5,608<br>804     | 3.0%<br>0.3%       |
| Inventory, net of payables Inventory, net of payables/store | \$<br>\$                | (1,408)<br>(197) | \$<br>\$                | (1,738)<br>(249) | (19.0%)<br>(21.1%) |
| Inventory turns   |                         | 1.5x             |                         | 1.5x             |                    |
| Working capital   | \$                      | (1,829)          | \$                      | (2,076)          | (11.9%)            |
| Property and equipment, net                                 | \$                      | 5,713            | \$                      | 5,195            | 10.0%              |
| Debt  | \$                      | 8,584            | \$                      | 6,328            | 35.6%              |
| Stockholders' Deficit                                       | \$                      | (5,214)          | \$                      | (3,838)          | 35.8%              |

Share repurchases totaled \$1.5B for Q1 FY24 and \$900MM for Q1 FY23

# **Building Shareholder Value**

- ✓ Live the Pledge
- ✓ Consistent, steady EPS growth
- ✓ Powerful Free Cashflow generation
- ✓ Disciplined Capital Allocation
  - Invest to optimize performance of existing assets
  - Drive growth
  - Excess cash returned to shareholders
- ✓ Accelerate growth in Commercial and DIY
  - Hubs & Mega-hubs expansion
  - Improved assortment & coverage
  - "Best merchandise at the right price"
  - Leverage technology to improve the customer experience
  - International expansion
- ✓ Relentless focus on execution



