

# An Enhanced Operating Plan To Supercharge Gildan Activewear

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## Section I

<u>Summary</u>: Our Operating Plan is Underpinned by a High-Quality Board Slate and Can Generate Significant Shareholder Returns

### Our Foundation: Browning West Has Assembled an Exceptional Slate of Highly Qualified Director Candidates

Our slate possesses strong track records of value creation, expertise in successful succession planning, relevant industry and governance experience, as well as proven management and board service pedigrees in Canada and the U.S.



Michael Kneeland Non-Executive Chair and Former CEO of United Rentals



**Mélanie Kau** Chair of the Human Resources and Corporate Committee and Former Lead Director at Alimentation Couche-Tard



**Glenn Chamandy** Co-Founder and Former CEO of Gildan



**Peter Lee** Co-Founder and Partner of Browning West



Michener Chandlee Former Chief Risk Officer for Nike, Former CFO of Fanatics Commerce, formerly Fanatics Inc., Current CFO of WHOOP



Karen Stuckey Former Senior Vice President at Walmart



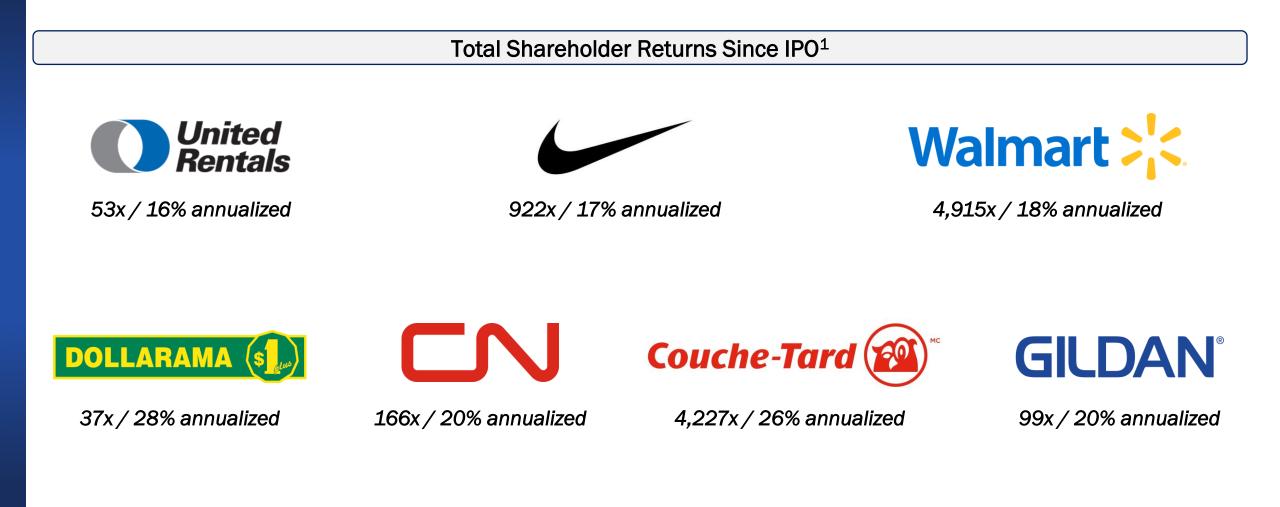
**Ghislain Houle** EVP and CFO of Canadian National Railway Company



J.P. Towner Former CFO of Dollarama, Current CFO of RONA



#### Our Foundation: Browning West's Slate of Director Candidates Has Experience at Highly Respected Companies With Strong Track Records of Value Creation





<sup>1</sup> Bloomberg. United Rentals total return from December 1997 to March 2024; Nike total return from December 1980 to March 2024; Walmart total return from August 1972 to March 2024; Dollarama total return from December 2009 to March 2024; Canadian National Railway total return from November 1995 to March 2024; Alimentation Couche-Tard total return from September 1988 to March 2024; Gildan total return from June 1998 to December 2023.

#### Our Plan: A Five-Pillar Operating Plan Underpinned by Reducing Operating Costs, Increasing Market Share, and Enhancing Capital Allocation and Capital Structure



# The Opportunity: A Plan to Deliver a Share Price of More Than \$100 USD for Gildan Shareholders Within the Next Five Years

We expect to more than double Gildan's earnings per share and increase its share price to more than \$100 USD over the next five years with the implementation of our slate's operating plan.

Anticipated Growth in Earnings Per Share by 2028

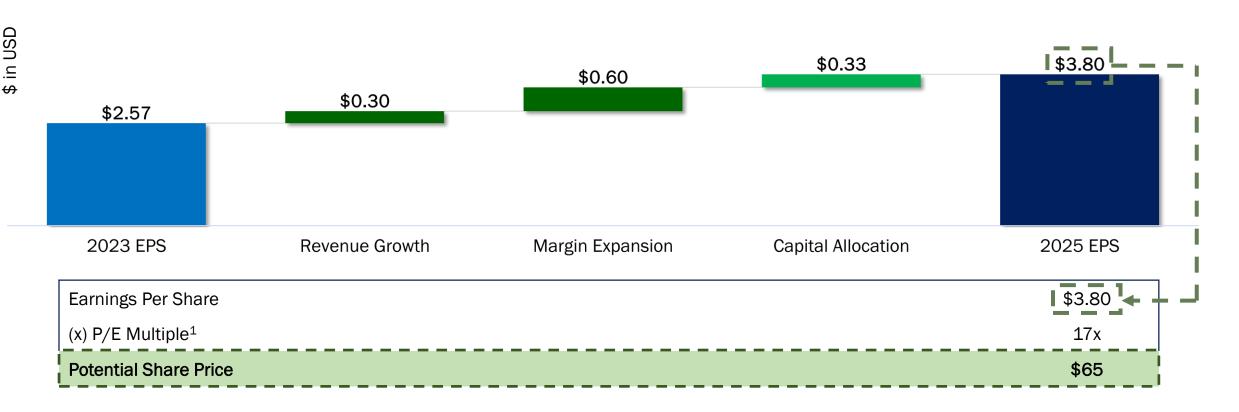




# The Opportunity: Our Plan Can Deliver Attractive Near-Term Upside and a Share Price of More Than \$60 USD by the End of 2025

There is a clear path for Gildan's stock to be worth over \$60 USD per share by the end of 2025 with the implementation of our slate's operating plan. Shareholders must consider this in the context of the Board of Director's current rushed and reactionary sale process, which may undervalue the Company.

Anticipated Growth in Earnings Per Share by 2025





## **Section II**

<u>Background</u>: Gildan's Historical Success Has Been Derived From a Low-Cost, Vertically Integrated Strategy

#### Low-Cost, Vertically Integrated Strategies Can Create Significant Shareholder Value When Implemented Correctly

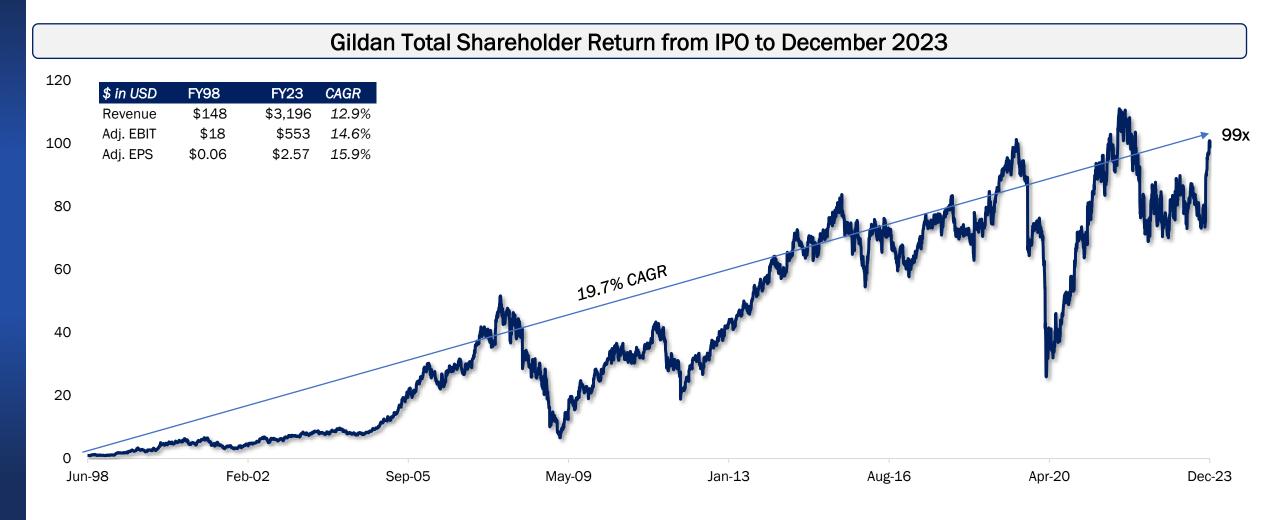
"I always have been attracted to the low-cost operator in any businesses and, when you can find a combination of (i) an extremely large business, (ii) a more or less homogenous product, and (iii) a very large gap in operating costs between the low cost operator and all of the other companies in the industry, you have a really attractive investment situation."

Warren Buffett 1976 Letter to George Young at National Indemnity regarding GEICO "Vertical integration requires very complex coordination and when you assemble that you have a tremendous advantage... This is actually done surprisingly little today and so I think this is sort of a business form that when people can pull it off, is very valuable."

> Peter Thiel 2014 Lecture at Stanford

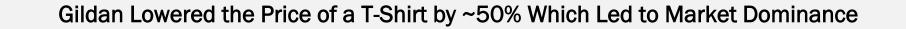


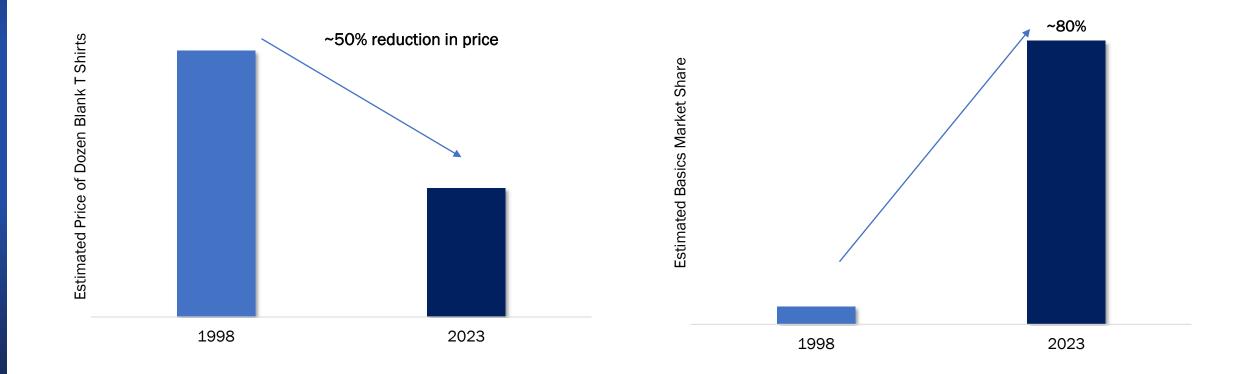
#### Under Glenn Chamandy's Leadership Gildan Implemented a Vertically Integrated, Low-Cost Strategy to Deliver a Long and Outstanding Track Record of Value Creation





#### Glenn Chamandy Architected a Highly Dominant Position For Gildan Within the "Basics" Category by Expanding the Company's Low-Cost Advantage to Continually Take Substantial Market Share







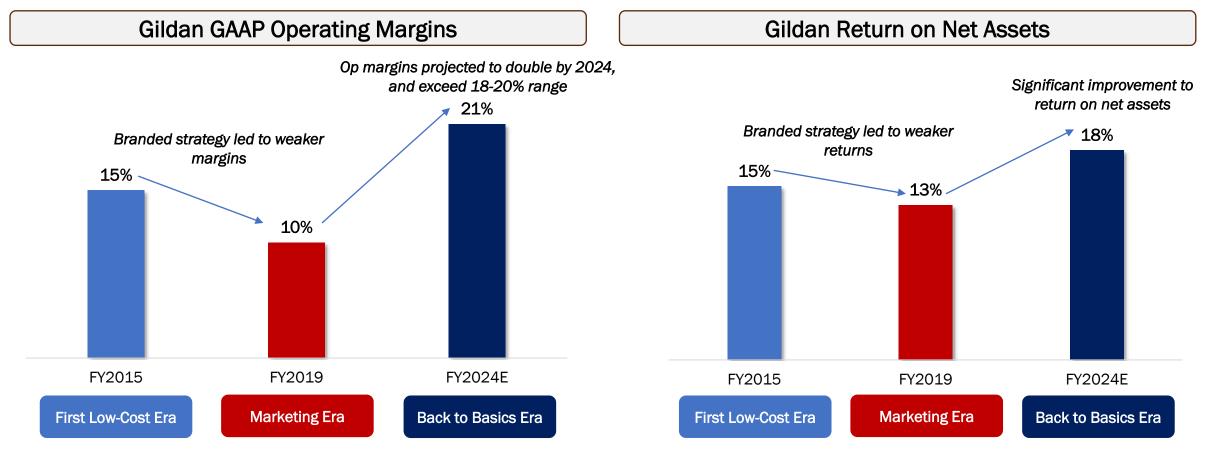
#### In Gildan's Industry, Customers Value Availability, Price, Quality, and Consistency, But Marketing is Not a Major Factor in Purchase Decisions





### Gildan Previously Tested a Marketing-Focused Strategy But Determined It Was Unsuccessful

Gildan's leadership strategically pivoted back to a low-cost strategy (Back to Basics), which resulted in improvements across all operating metrics.





### Our Plan Builds on Gildan's Proven Low-Cost And Vertically Integrated Manufacturing Advantage that Delivered Tremendous Value Creation Over Two Decades

Our plan will de-emphasize marketing spend, which is not a major factor in customer purchase decisions.



Unlike Gildan, competitors are not vertically integrated

# **Section III**

<u>Operating Plan</u>: Our Slate's Five-Pillar Plan Can Supercharge Shareholder Returns

#### A Five-Pillar Operating Plan Underpinned by Reducing Operating Costs, Increasing Market Share, and Enhancing Capital Allocation and Capital Structure





#### Pillar #1: Gain Market Share in Fashion Basics Category By Lowering Unit Costs

To reduce costs, the slate plans to move production of fashion basics products from Honduras to Gildan's new manufacturing facility in Bangladesh.

Labor cost inflation in Central America has increased the cost structure for fashion basics products due to their higher labor content, putting pressure on Gildan's competitors.

San Pedro Sula, Honduras



Bangladesh has lower energy and labor costs and a lower cost structure for fashion basics products.

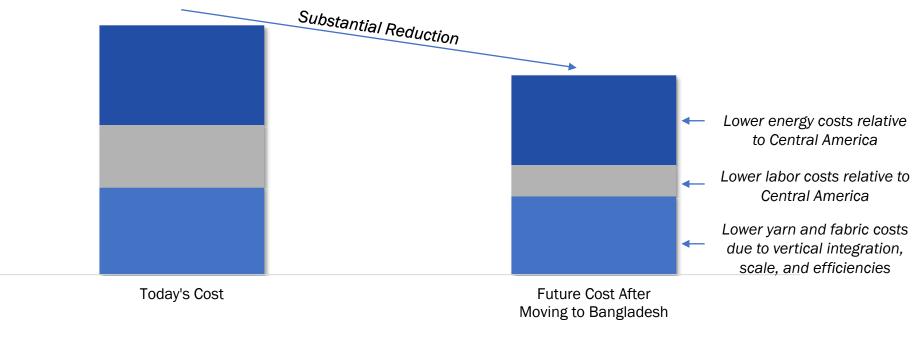
Dhaka, Bangladesh

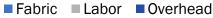


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We believe Gildan can reduce fashion basics unit costs substantially by shifting capacity to Bangladesh due to lower labor and energy costs as well as manufacturing efficiencies.

Key Components of Unit Costs for Gildan Fashion Basics T Shirts





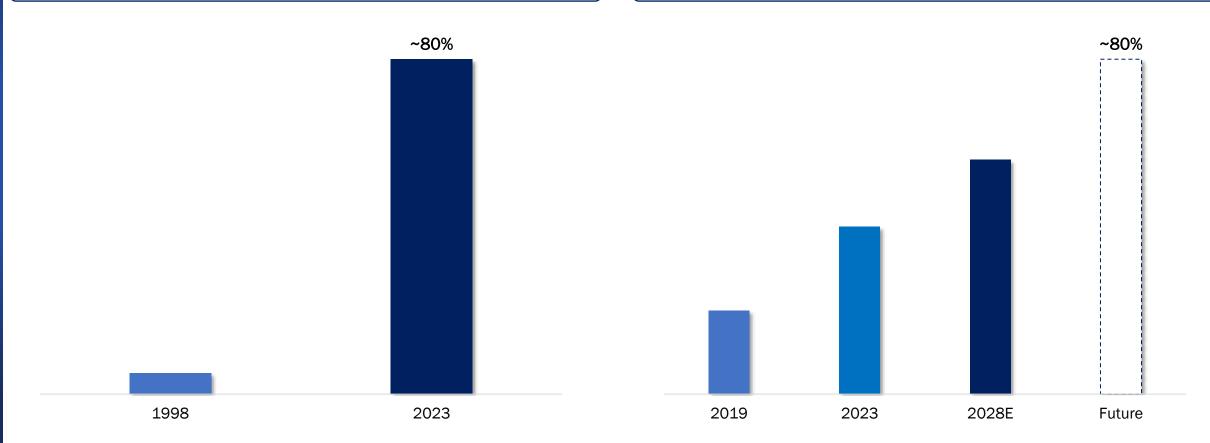


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Glenn's strategic investment in lower cost capacity in Bangladesh positions Gildan to reap significant share gains in fashion basics which may mimic its historical market share gains in the basics category, driven by strong performance in American Apparel, Comfort Colors, and Gildan brands.

**Estimated Market Share In Basics Category** 

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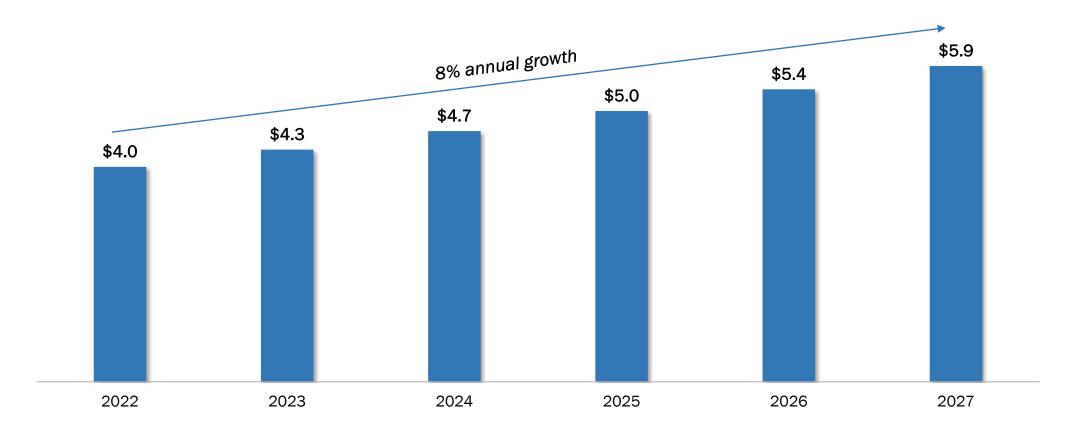




#### **Pillar #2: Gain Market Share in High Growth Fleece Category**

Fleece is a high growth category due to casualization trends across North American consumers.



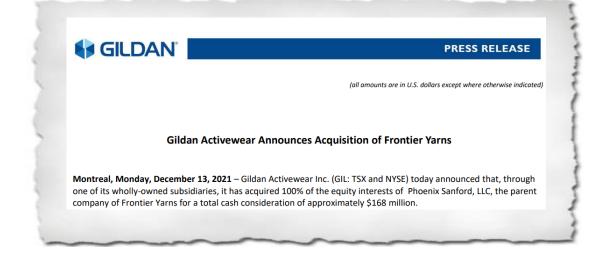




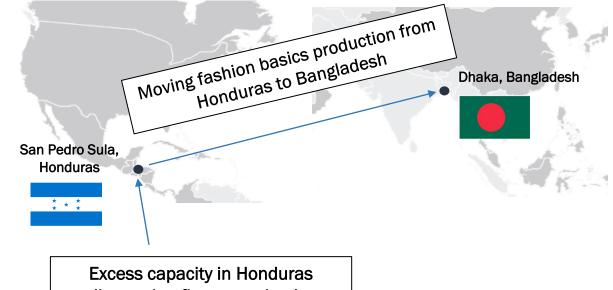
#### **Pillar #2: Gain Market Share in High Growth Fleece Category**

Gildan's unique technology advantages and spare fleece capacity support further market share gains.

Capitalize on Vertically Integrated Production with Technology Advantage Due to Unique MVS Yarn Capabilities



Glenn Chamandy's strategic acquisition of Frontier provides Gildan a critical technological advantage to produce MVS yarn, which enables Gildan to produce superior products with minimal pilling. Utilize Available Capacity in Honduras to Produce Fleece After Moving Fashion Basics Production to Bangladesh



allocated to fleece production

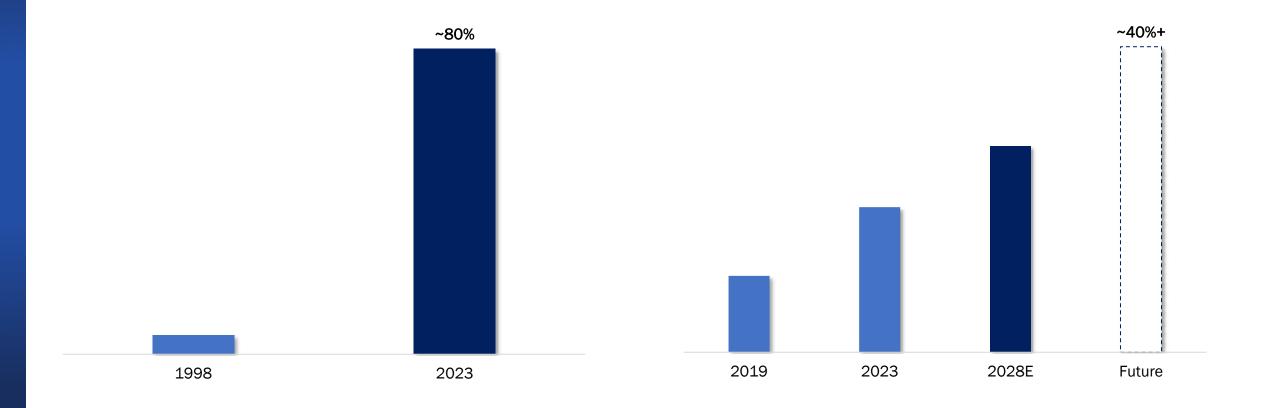


#### **Pillar #2: Gain Market Share in High Growth Fleece Category**

Our plan will support Gildan in gaining significant market share in the fleece category which may mimic historical market share gains in the basics category.

Estimated Market Share in Basics Category

Estimated Market Share in Fleece Category





### Pillar #3: Gain Share in Private Label Apparel By Targeting New Program Wins

Gildan's low-cost and large-scale manufacturing positions it to capitalize on new private brand opportunities in activewear, underwear, and socks.

Our slate brings key relevant experience with some of Gildan's largest partners, including Walmart, Fanatics, and Nike:



Source: Gildan Investor Day Presentations. Retail partner company filings and press articles. Browning West estimates of private label revenue opportunity.

#### Pillar #3: Gain Share in Private Label Apparel By Targeting New Program Wins

Our slate has the right operating experience to support Gildan in targeting new program wins in private label.



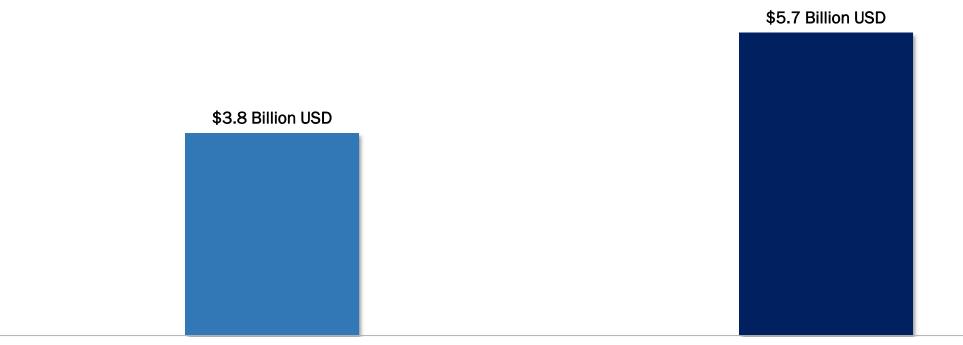
"In a world of increasing complexity and competition for large/global apparel brands to deliver shareholder value through sustainable and profitable growth, the demand for world class private label apparel manufacturing partners will continue to increase. Gildan's unmatched scale and four-decades of experience allow for meaningful cost and execution advantages well into the future, which makes me optimistic about Gildan's revenue growth potential in this category."

> Michener Chandlee Browning West Slate Director Candidate Former Chief Risk Officer for Nike, Former CFO of Fanatics Commerce, formerly Fanatics Inc., Current CFO of WHOOP



We believe Gildan could return 67% of its current market capitalization to shareholders through dividends and share buybacks over the next five years.

Five Year Capital Returns to Shareholders Relative to Current Market Capitalization



Total Capital Returned Via Dividends and Share Buybacks

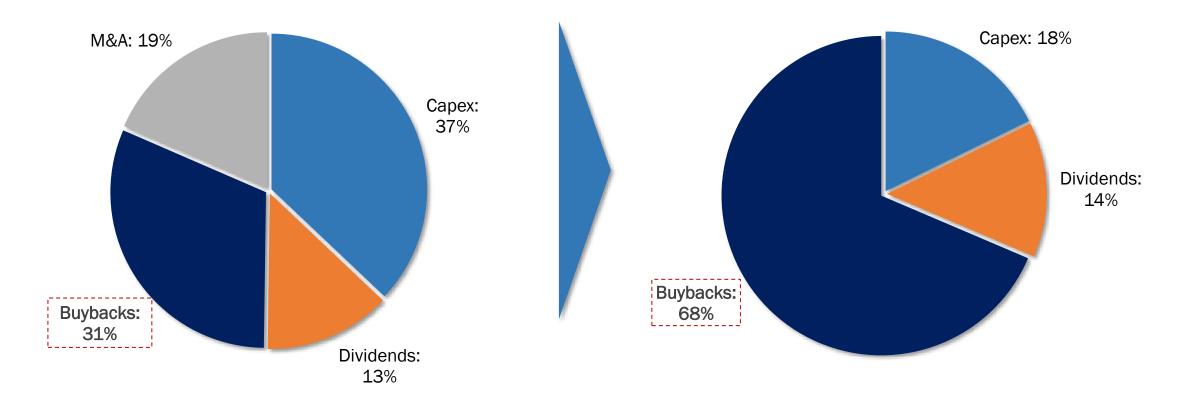
Unaffected Gildan Market Capitalization as of March 18, 2024



Under our operating plan, 68% of projected cash flow generation will be allocated toward share buybacks.

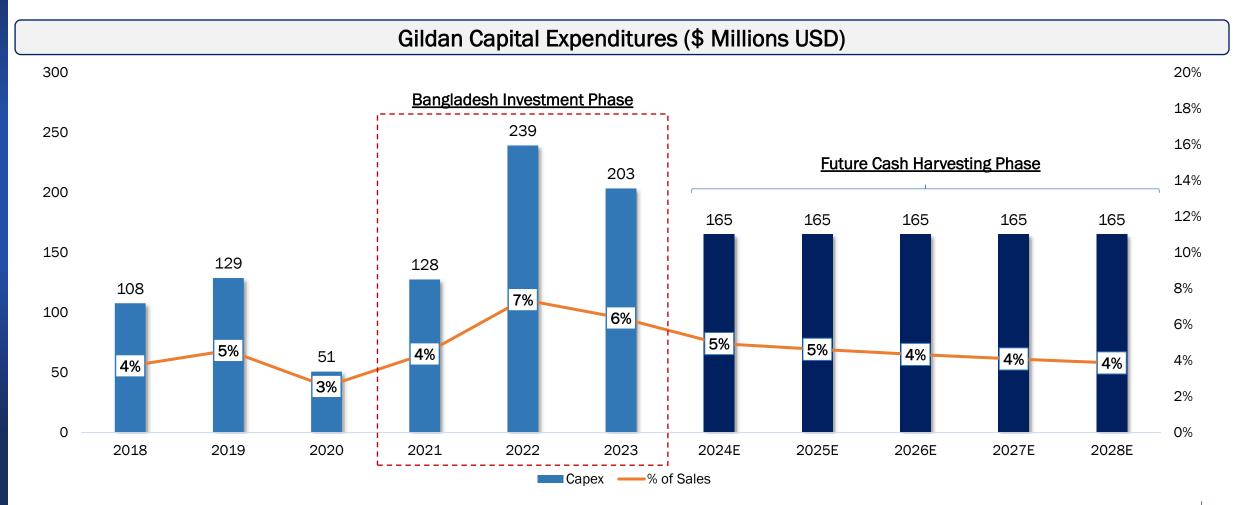
Historical Capital Allocation Mix (1998 – 2023)

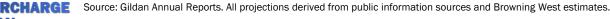
Future Capital Allocation Mix (2024E – 2028E)





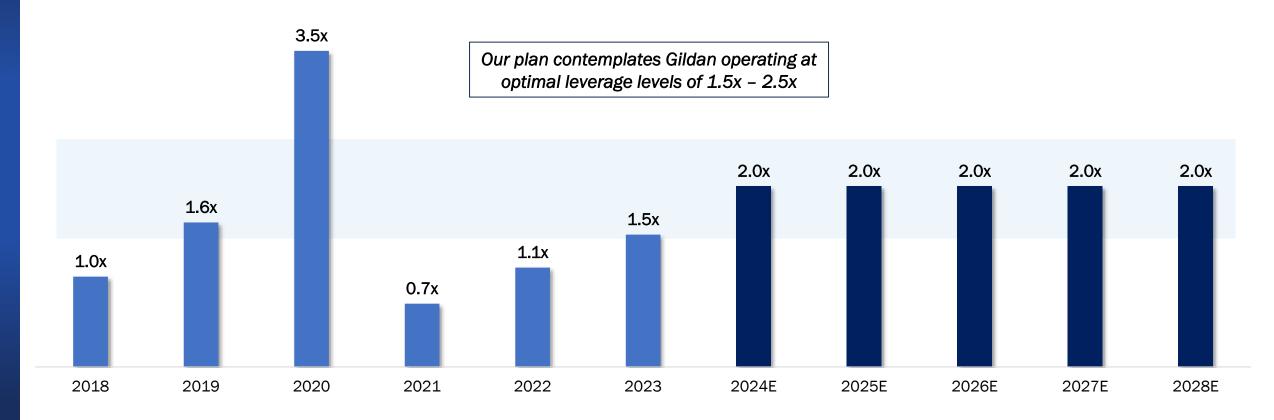
Under our slate's operating plan, Gildan can enter a cash harvesting phase after a period of substantial investment. A substantial portion of capital expenditures will be utilized for growth, which is adequate for building Phase 2 of Gildan's Bangladesh facility, under our plan.





We believe Gildan has historically underutilized its balance sheet and that shareholder returns can be enhanced by increasing leverage moderately.

Historical and Projected Leverage Levels (Net Debt to EBITDA)





#### **Pillar #5: Introduce Aspirational Compensation Plan Tied to Value Creation**

We believe implementing a simplified and aspirational incentive plan aligned with value creation that is specific to Gildan's opportunity set will be more effective than the current complicated incentive plan. Current incentives are benchmarked to companies with very different end markets than Gildan and marketing-centric B2C business models.

#### Gildan's Compensation Breakdown

#### **Compensation Peer Group**



#### Relative revenue growth (33.3%)

Three-year growth in revenue from the start of fiscal 2022 to the end of fiscal 2024, compared to companies in our compensation comparator group. Revenue is defined as net sales

#### Relative RONA (33.3%)

Three-year average return on net assets for fiscal 2022, 2023, and 2024 compared to companies in the compensation comparator group

Starting with the 2022 awards, a simplified definition for Adjusted RONA is used to allow for accurate and timely retrieval of performance data for companies in the compensation comparator group. Relative PONA uses GAAP earnings instead of adjusted earnings

#### Relative TSR (33.3%)

Three-year TSR for fiscal 2022, 2023, and 2024, assuming reinvestment of dividends, compared to the TSR of companies in our compensation comparator group

The weighted average trading price of common shares is used for a 20-trading days period at the beginning and at the end of the measurement period

Each of the three performance measures is used to assess Gildan's performance against companies in our compensation comparator group using the following criteria:

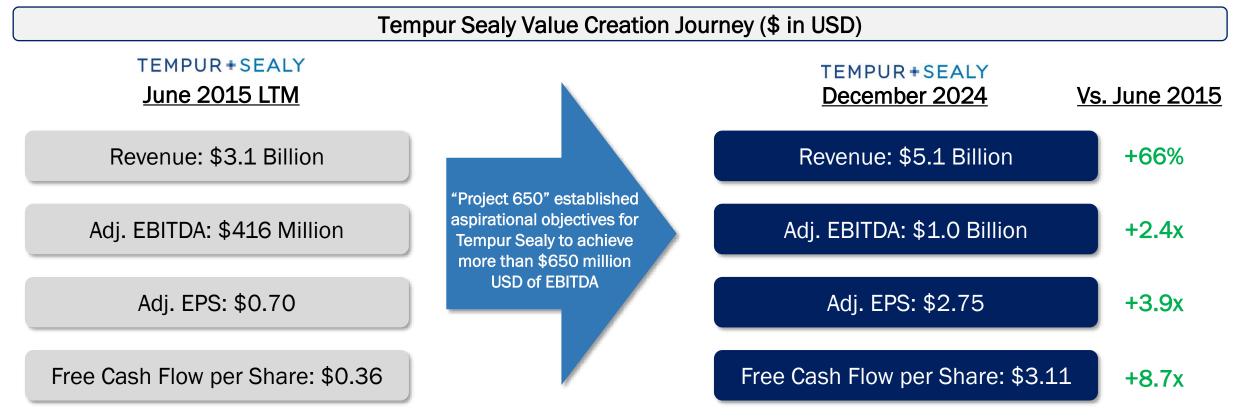
Percentile ranking	Payout multiplier
Maximum: P75+	200%
Target: P50	100%
Threshold: P25	40%
Below threshold	-

Threshold performance must be achieved in order to receive a payout on a performance measure.

If our TSR is negative, the payout or Relative TSR is capped at target, regardless of our relative performance.

### Pillar #5: Introduce Aspirational Compensation Plan Tied to Value Creation

Browning West's Co-Founder Usman Nabi joined Tempur Sealy's board of directors in 2015 and implemented an incentive plan that targeted a medium-term aspirational earnings target that was customized to the company's specific opportunity set. This plan created significant value and also created meaningful ongoing ownership for employees, leading to sustained value creation even after the plan targets were achieved.



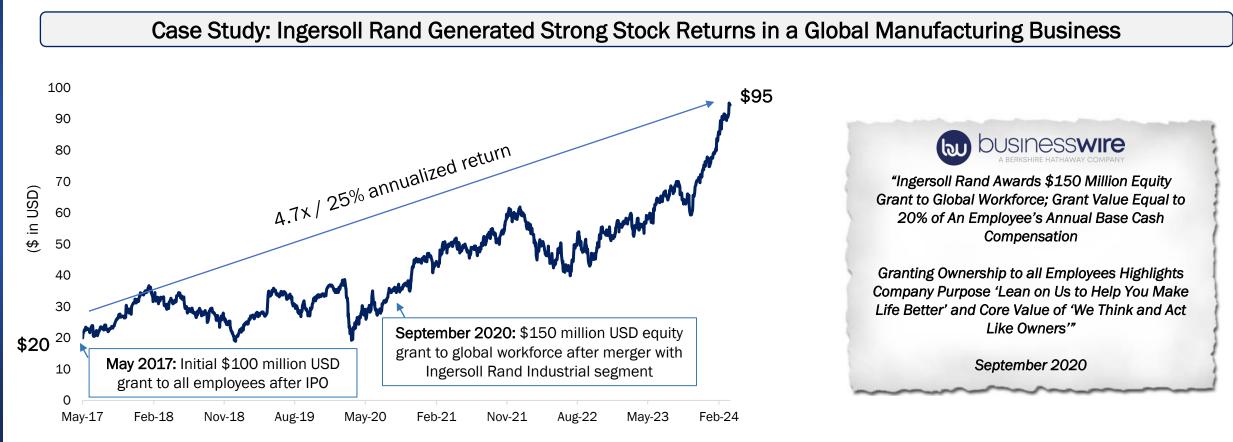
Tempur Sealy Has Generated a 4.7x Total Return / 19% Annualized Return



#### **Pillar #5: Introduce Aspirational Compensation Plan Tied to Value Creation**

#### We plan to implement the aspirational plan throughout Gildan's entire organization of 43,000 dedicated employees.

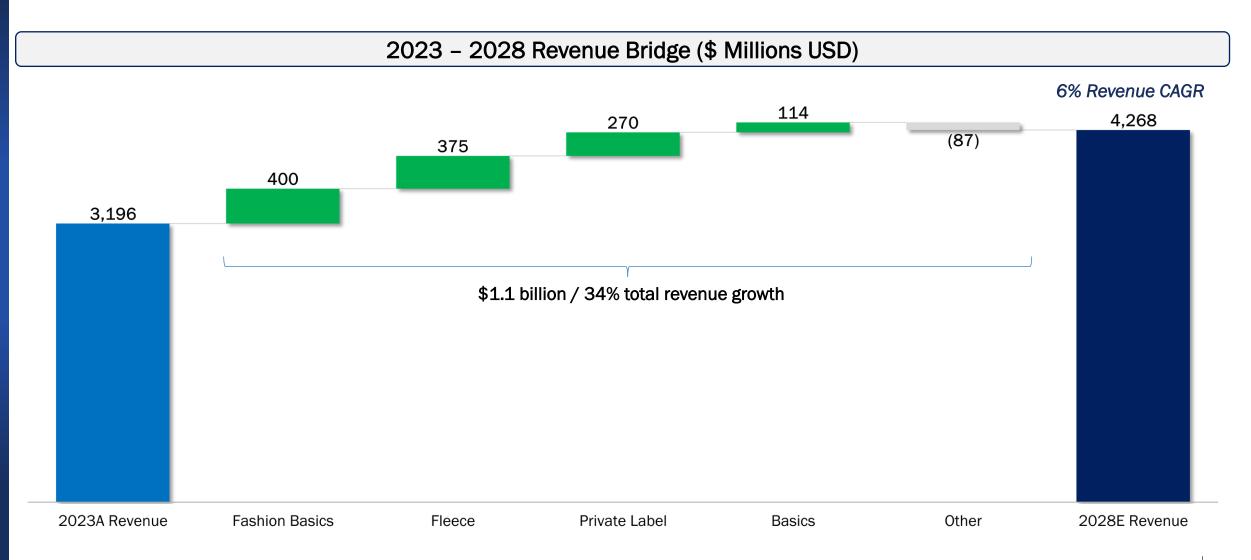
• Ingersoll Rand, an industrial machinery manufacturer, implemented a similar strategy awarding equity to all employees in 2017, which generated significant value creation.



# Section IV

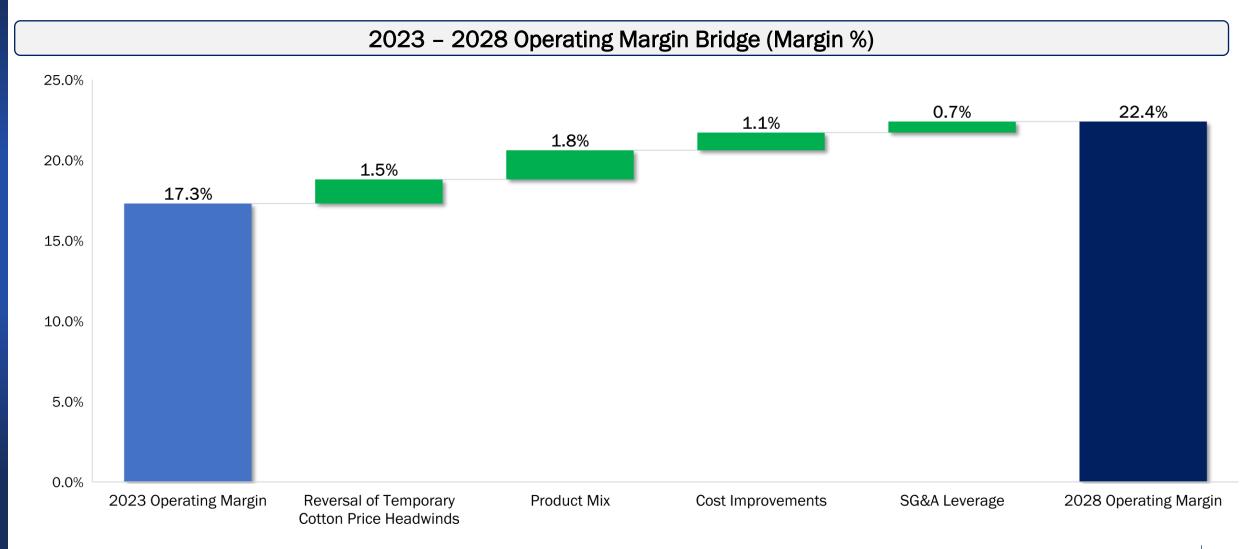
<u>Value Creation Opportunity</u>: Our Slate's Plan to Deliver a Share Price of More Than \$100 USD in the Next Five Years

#### Gildan Has the Potential to Grow Revenue at a 6% Annual Rate Over the Next Five Years





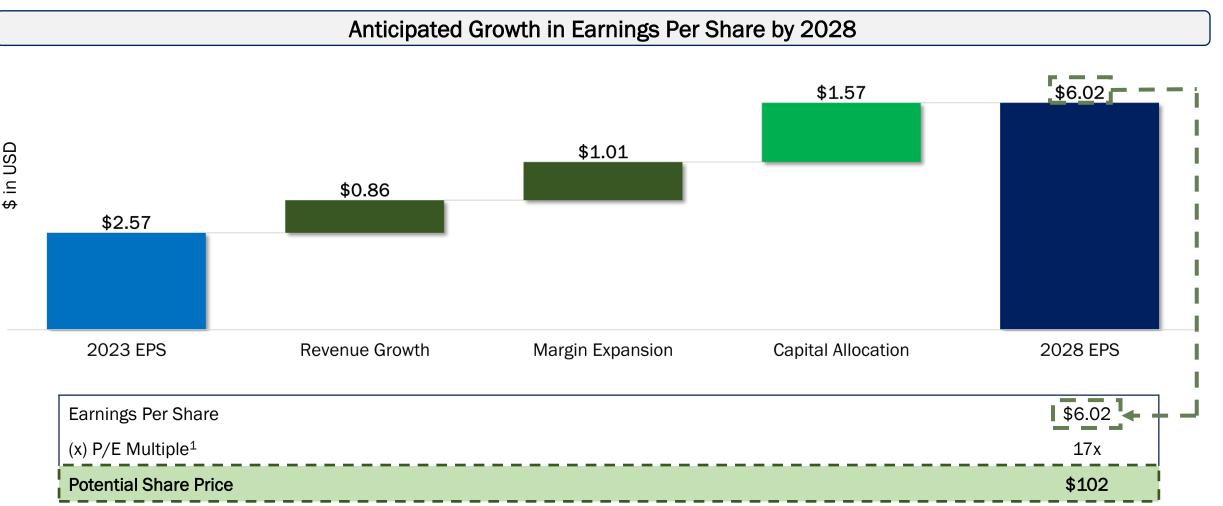
#### **Gildan Has the Potential to Increase Operating Margins Over the Next Five Years**





## A Plan to Deliver a Share Price of More Than \$100 USD for Gildan Shareholders Within the Next Five Years

We expect Gildan's share price to increase to more than \$100 USD over the next five years with the implementation of our slate's operating plan.

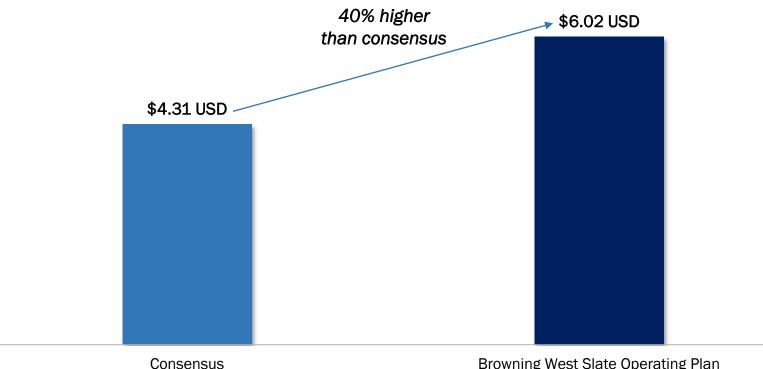




### **Our Plan Contemplates 40% Boost From Gildan's Current Consensus Estimates**

We estimate that Gildan's 2028 earnings per share could be 40% higher than current consensus estimates.





2028 Earnings Per Share

Browning West Slate Operating Plan 2028 Earnings Per Share



# Our Operating Plan Translates Into Robust Financial Performance and 19% Annual EPS Growth Over the Next Five Years<sup>1</sup>

	Browning West Operating Plan						'23-'28 Growth	
\$m, except per share metrics	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	CAGR	Total
Net Oales	2 400	2 2 4 0	2 5 7 0	2 00 4	4.000	4.000	C 00/	2.40/
Net Sales	3,196	3,340	3,572	3,804	4,036	4,268	6.0%	34%
% Growth	(1.4%)	4.5%	6.9%	6.5%	6.1%	5.7%		
Adj. Operating Income	553	681	746	814	886	956	11.6%	73%
% Margin	17.3%	20.4%	20.9%	21.4%	21.9%	22.4%		
Adj. EPS	\$2.57	\$3.16	\$3.80	\$4.45	\$5.20	\$6.02	18.5%	134%
% Growth	(17.5%)	22.7%	20.3%	17.1%	17.0%	15.7%		
Cash Flow from Operations <sup>2</sup>	547	627	594	655	720	781		
Capex	(203)	(165)	(165)	(165)	(165)	(165)		
Other	48	0	0	0	0	0		
Free Cash Flow <sup>2</sup>	392	462	429	490	555	616		
Share Buybacks	(360)	(982)	(457)	(519)	(589)	(643)		
Dividends	(132)	(126)	(122)	(126)	(129)	(132)		
Net Leverage	1.5x	2.0x	2.0x	2.0x	2.0x	2.0x		
Diluted Shares Outstanding	176	148	137	129	121	113	(8.4%)	(36%)
% Change in Share Count	(5%)	(16%)	(8%)	(6%)	(6%)	(6%)		

2024 projected performance assumes Browning West's proposed slate and plan are implemented immediately.

- Grow sales primarily driven by market share gains from competitors; any cyclical uplift may further improve results
- Increase margins through growth in highermargin product categories such as fashion basics and fleece, and operating leverage on SG&A
- Increase leverage to 2.0x and use incremental proceeds as well as excess cash flow to repurchase shares and pay dividends



# Gildan Has an Opportunity to Become a Long-Term Value Creation Case Study Akin to AutoZone, Domino's, and The Home Depot

Under our operating plan, Gildan will share many of the same characteristics as the value creation case studies below.

	AutoZone	Domino's	THE ME	<b>GILDAN</b> ° Under Browning West's Slate	
	FY98 - FY23	FY04 - FY23	FY08 - FY24	FY23 – FY28E	
Revenue CAGR	7.0%	6.1%	4.8%	6.0%	
Earnings Per Share CAGR	19.7%	14.2%	14.2%	18.5%	
Reduction in Shares Outstanding	88% total / 8% p.a.	50% total / 4% p.a.	40% total / 3% p.a.	36% total / 8% p.a.	
Current P/E Multiple	24x	34x	25x	Assumed P/E: 17x	
Total Shareholder Return	97x / 20% annualized	74x / 24% annualized	21x / 21% annualized	Potential for \$100+ USD Share Price	



# Section V

<u>Leadership</u>: Our Slate Has the Experience and Capabilities to Execute This Operating Plan

### **Gildan Shareholders Deserve a Strong CEO**

We believe that Gildan's CEO should have (i) best-in-class manufacturing and vertical integration experience, (ii) a clear and verifiable track record of value creation, and (iii) a demonstrated ability to manage an increasingly global business with vast scale.

		Glenn Chamandy	Vincent Tyra
1	Best-In-Class Manufacturing and Vertical Integration Experience	$\checkmark$	X
2	Clear and Verifiable Track Record of Value Creation	$\checkmark$	X
3	Demonstrated Ability to Manage an Increasingly Global Business with Vast Scale	$\checkmark$	X



## Mr. Chamandy is the Clear Choice for Implementing Our Operating Plan



 $\checkmark$ 

 $\checkmark$ 

#### **Glenn Chamandy**

- Mr. Chamandy has over 40 years of experience leading Gildan, with almost 20 years of experience serving as CEO.
- From 1998 to 2023, Mr. Chamandy was responsible for delivering nearly 16% annual growth in EPS. During this time, Gildan's stock returned 99x, or a nearly 20% annualized return, outperforming all of Gildan's competitors.<sup>1</sup>
- Mr. Chamandy devoted his entire career to building Gildan into a low-cost, vertically integrated manufacturing business, investing over \$2 billion USD of capital expenditures over the past 20 years.<sup>2</sup>
- Mr. Chamandy oversaw Gildan's growth to over \$3 billion USD of annual sales and over \$700 million USD of EBITDA. He led the expansion of Gildan's operations into Central America and Bangladesh.



- x Mr. Tyra has destroyed substantial shareholder value in past executive roles at Fruit of the Loom and Broder Brothers, as well as in his past Chair role at Industrial Services of America.
- x Mr. Tyra has no prior executive roles involving complex global manufacturing operations comparable to those of Gildan.
- x Mr. Tyra has no experience operating a low-cost manufacturing company.
- While Mr. Tyra was President of Retail and Activewear at Fruit of the Loom, the company's share price declined 99% and the company filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy.
- Following Mr. Tyra's departure from the CEO role, Broder Brothers was forced to restructure to avoid bankruptcy, resulting in existing equity holders experiencing an estimated 60% loss.<sup>3</sup>



<sup>1</sup> Represents total return since June 17, 1998 IPO through December 8, 2023. Adjusted EPS CAGR measured from FY1998 through FY2023 from Gildan Annual Report and Gildan FY2023 guidance.

<sup>2</sup> Adjusted EPS growth measured from FY2019 to FY2023 based on Gildan Annual Report and FY2023 Gildan guidance.

<sup>3</sup> Broder Bros., Co. 2008 10-K. In May 2009, the Company completed an exchange offer which resulted in holders of Senior Notes due October 15, 2010 being exchanged for newly issued Senior Payment-in-Kind Notes due October 15, 2013 and 96% of the pro forma equity. Estimate of equity value loss assumes Broder Brothers was valued at a 10x FY2008 Adjusted EBITDA multiple pre- and post-exchange offer. "I am looking forward to returning as CEO and confident in this operating plan. Under the right leadership, I believe that Gildan has significant potential to grow revenue and earnings per share and can deliver strong returns for shareholders."

> Glenn Chamandy Gildan Founder and Former CEO



# Our Slate Includes Executives With Strong Track Records of Value Creation, Expertise in Successful Succession Planning, and Relevant Industry Experience



**Michael Kneeland** Non-Executive Chair and Former CEO of United Rentals

 ✓ Created value in a large and operationally complex business
✓ Oversaw successful CEO succession processes



**Mélanie Kau** Chair of the Human Resources and Corporate Committee and Former Lead Director at Alimentation Couche-Tard

 Record of managing CEO succession in founder-led companies
Experience working with founders of highly successful businesses



**Glenn Chamandy** Co-Founder and Former CEO of Gildan

 Record of shareholder value creation
Understanding of Gildan's low-cost vertically integrated business model



**Peter Lee** Co-Founder and Partner of Browning West

Shareholder representative
Financial and capital allocation acumen

✓ Prior public company board experience



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 ✓ Record of value creation in consumer businesses
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Karen Stuckey Former Senior Vice President at Walmart

 Apparel, including private label, expertise
Experience operating businesses of significant scale and internationally with a global supply chain



**Ghislain Houle** EVP and CFO of Canadian National Railway Company

 ✓ Leader of a large scale and operationally complex business
✓ Record of value creation over nearly three decades



**J.P. Towner** Former CFO of Dollarama, Current CFO of RONA

 ✓ Experience in vertically integrated businesses focused on value-oriented consumer products
✓ Record of delivering strong financial results



#### **Michael Kneeland**



Michael Kneeland Non-Executive Chair and Former CEO of United Rentals

Michael Kneeland (U.S. Citizen), Chair and Former Chief Executive Officer of United Rentals, Inc. (NYSE: URI), is a renowned leader with an exceptional record of value creation in a large and operationally complex business, experience overseeing successful CEO succession processes, and experience working with founders of highly successful businesses. His experience is highly relevant given the recently mishandled CEO succession, which was overseen by the current Board.

- Exceptional Record of Value Creation in a Large and Operationally Complex Business: Mr. Kneeland currently serves as the Chair of United Rentals, Inc. ("United Rentals"), a \$60 billion USD enterprise value equipment rental business with over \$14 billion USD of revenue and nearly \$7 billion USD of EBITDA.<sup>1</sup> Mr. Kneeland became Chair in May 2019, following his retirement as CEO. United Rentals stock has returned 21x or nearly 20% annualized over the past 17 years, generating over \$44 billion USD in value spanning Mr. Kneeland's CEO and Chair tenure at United Rentals from 2007 to today.<sup>2</sup> Under Mr. Kneeland's leadership as CEO, United Rentals also invested over \$10 billion USD in net capital expenditures and nearly \$8 billion USD in acquisitions which drove significant value creation.<sup>3</sup> United Rentals' revenue, EBITDA, and free cash flow per share grew 2.5x, 3.8x, and 9.5x, respectively, during his CEO tenure.<sup>4</sup> During his tenure as CEO and Chair, United Rentals' operating margins improved 900 basis points to 27%, which is well above the 18 to 20% operating margins shareholders expect from Gildan.<sup>5</sup> Mr. Kneeland's leadership achievements are profiled in the book "Lessons from the Titans," which highlights his team's operational excellence, kaizen mentality, and investment discipline. These skills are directly relevant to Gildan's operations.
- <u>Experience Leading Successful CEO Succession Processes</u>: When he was CEO, Mr. Kneeland carefully developed internal succession candidates, and in 2019 he successfully transitioned the United Rentals CEO role to COO Matthew Flannery. Since Mr. Flannery became CEO, United Rentals' stock has returned 5.3x, or 41% annualized, continuing Mr. Kneeland's strong track record of value creation.<sup>6</sup>
- Experience Working with Founders of Successful Businesses: United Rentals was initially led by its founders in the first six years of the company's existence. Mr. Kneeland had extensive experience working with these founders, who remained on United Rentals' board while Mr. Kneeland was in a senior leadership position.
- <u>Notable Leadership Roles</u>: Mr. Kneeland currently serves as Chair of Maxim Crane Works and as a director on the board of American Tire Distributors, Inc. In 2015, he was appointed to the National Advisory Board for the Johns Hopkins Berman Institute of Bioethics.



#### **Glenn Chamandy**



Glenn Chamandy Co-Founder and Former CEO of Gildan Glenn Chamandy (Canadian Citizen), Co-Founder and Former Chief Executive Officer of Gildan, has a strong record of value creation, an unrivaled understanding of Gildan's low-cost vertically integrated apparel manufacturing business model, and experience leading a complex global business. His experience is highly relevant given his role as Gildan's CEO for almost 20 years.

- Strong Record of Value Creation: Mr. Chamandy has over 40 years of experience leading Gildan, with almost 20 years of experience serving as CEO. From 1998 to 2023, Mr. Chamandy was responsible for delivering nearly 16% annual growth in earnings-per-share. During this time, Gildan's stock returned 99x, or a nearly 20% annualized return, outperforming all of Gildan's competitors, many of which were forced to exit Gildan's market or were acquired by Gildan.<sup>1</sup> Even through a challenging economic environment, Mr. Chamandy enhanced market share and grew EPS at Gildan by 57% in the past four years.<sup>2</sup>
- Unrivaled Understanding of Gildan's Low-Cost Vertically Integrated Apparel Manufacturing Business Model: Mr. Chamandy devoted his entire career to building Gildan into a low-cost, vertically integrated manufacturing business, investing over \$2 billion USD of capital expenditures over the past 20 years.<sup>3</sup> Much of Gildan's success can be attributed to the low-cost position, which Mr. Chamandy architected and maintained for decades.
- <u>Experience Leading a Complex Global Business</u>: Mr. Chamandy oversaw Gildan's growth to over \$3 billion USD of annual sales and over \$700 million USD of EBITDA. He led the expansion of Gildan's operations into Central America and Bangladesh.
- <u>Notable Leadership Roles</u>: In 2015, Mr. Chamandy founded The Chamandy Foundation, a private family foundation with a vision of improving the lives of the younger generation, through funding areas such as health and wellness, education, poverty, research, and the environment.



#### **Michener Chandlee**



Michener Chandlee Former Chief Risk Officer for Nike, Former CFO of Fanatics Commerce, formerly Fanatics Inc., Current CFO of WHOOP

Michener Chandlee (U.S. Citizen), Former Chief Risk Officer for NIKE, Inc. (NYSE: NKE), Former Chief Financial Officer of Fanatics Commerce, formerly Fanatics Inc., and Current Chief Financial Officer of WHOOP, is a worldclass finance leader with an exceptional record of value creation in apparel businesses with complex global supply chains. His experience is highly relevant given his understanding of mass market apparel and global supply chains in contrast to the Gildan Board which has no mass market apparel experience.

- Extensive Expertise in Apparel and in Complex Global Supply Chains: Mr. Chandlee has over two decades of experience as a key finance leader managing complex global supply chains at NIKE, Inc. ("Nike") and Fanatics, Inc. ("Fanatics"), both of which are large customers of Gildan. Mr. Chandlee spent 18 years at Nike, the \$142 billion USD enterprise value global athletic footwear and apparel company, most recently as the Vice President of Corporate Audit and Chief Risk Officer from 2016 to 2019.<sup>1</sup> At Nike he also held various senior global roles, including Chief Financial Officer of Nike business units including Mexico, Golf, Emerging Markets, North America, and Global Brands and Marketplace. Mr. Chandlee also served as Chief Financial Officer of Fanatics Commerce. Fanatics is a \$31 billion USD enterprise value digital sports platform that manufactures and sells licensed sports gear, hard goods, and apparel.<sup>2</sup> Mr. Chandlee has an understanding of Gildan's business model given Nike's and Fanatics' commercial partnerships with Gildan. Mr. Chandlee's extensive experience managing complex global supply chains and his knowledge of Gildan as a major customer would be highly relevant to the Gildan Board.
- Exceptional Record of Value Creation in Consumer Businesses: During Mr. Chandlee's nearly four-year tenure at Fanatics, the company's enterprise value increased nearly 7x from \$4.5 billion USD to \$31 billion USD.<sup>3</sup> During Mr. Chandlee's 18-year tenure at Nike, the stock returned 16x or 16% annually, while the company's revenue increased by 4x and EBITDA increased by nearly 5x.<sup>4</sup>
- <u>Experience Working with Founders of Highly Successful Businesses</u>: Mr. Chandlee has worked with the boards and board committees of large-scale public and private companies that were led by highly successful founders including Nike, Fanatics, and WHOOP.



1 Bloomberg market data as of March 26, 2024. 2 \$31 billion USD enterprise value as of last funding round in December 2022 sourced from The Wall Street Journal article, "Fanatics Hits \$31 Billion Valuation in Latest Funding Round," from December 6, 2022. 3 \$4.5 billion USD enterprise value as of September 2019 per CNBC article, "Fanatics hires Nike exec as CFC; business is targeting over \$2.5 billion in sales this year", from September 17, 2019. 4 Bloomberg. Nike total return from December 29, 2000 to September 17, 2019.

#### **Ghislain Houle**



**Ghislain Houle** EVP and CFO of Canadian National Railway Company

Ghislain Houle (Canadian Citizen), Executive Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer of Canadian National Railway Company (TSX: CNR), has extensive experience working in a large-scale and operationally complex business, has a strong track record of value creation, and has significant financial and capital allocation expertise. His experience is highly relevant given the operational complexity of Gildan's business and the need for value creation expertise on the Board.

- Significant Experience Leading a Large Scale and Operationally Complex Business: Mr. Houle currently serves as Executive Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer of Canadian National Railway ("Canadian National"), a \$97 billion USD enterprise value business based in Montreal, and the fourth largest business in Canada by market capitalization.<sup>1</sup> He has over 26 years of experience at the company, having originally joined in 1997. Canadian National is Canada's largest railway, operating a nearly 20,000-mile rail network serving Canada and the Midwestern and Southern United States. The company employs nearly 25,000 people and delivers nearly 6 million carloads of freight annually. Mr. Houle has a deep understanding of supply chains and operational experience in the railroad industry and extensive experience in financing, financial planning, strategy, mergers & acquisitions, and implementation of enterprise-wide data software systems.
- Strong Record of Value Creation Over Nearly Three Decades: During Mr. Houle's total tenure at Canadian National from 1997 to today, the company's stock has returned 48x or 16% annualized.<sup>2</sup> During Mr. Houle's tenure as Chief Financial Officer from July 2016 to today, the Company's market capitalization grew by nearly \$38 billion USD.<sup>3</sup> Over this same time period, Canadian National has grown revenue nearly 40% and grown free cash flow per share by nearly 65%.<sup>4</sup>
- Significant Financial and Capital Allocation Expertise: As Chief Financial Officer, Mr. Houle has responsibility for financial management, planning, and reinvestment, among other responsibilities. Cumulatively over the past 7.5 years, Canadian National has generated approximately \$17 billion USD in free cash flow, invested approximately \$16 billion USD in capital expenditures, repurchased approximately \$11 billion worth of shares, and paid out nearly \$9 billion USD in dividends.<sup>5</sup> Mr. Houle has also played a leading role on Canadian National's Audit Committee during his CFO tenure.



### Mélanie Kau



Mélanie Ku Chair of the Human Resources and Corporate Committee and Former Lead Director at Alimentation Couche-Tard Mélanie Kau (Canadian Citizen), Chair of the Human Resources and Corporate Governance Committee and former Lead Director of Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc. (TSX: ATD), has extensive experience working with the founders of highly successful businesses and has led multiple successful CEO succession plans. Her experience is highly relevant given the recently mishandled and abrupt CEO transition overseen by Gildan's Board.

Extensive Experience Working with Founders of Highly Successful Businesses: Since 2006, Ms. Kau has served as a board director of Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc. ("Couche-Tard"), a \$65 billion USD enterprise value global convenience store operator based in Laval, Canada with over \$68 billion USD of revenue and nearly \$6 billion USD of EBITDA.<sup>1</sup> Couche-Tard employs 128,000 people and operates over 14,400 convenience stores spanning 25 countries all across the world.<sup>2</sup> She is currently the Chair of the Human Resources and Corporate Governance Committee and was previously Lead Director from 2017 to 2022. During Ms. Kau's tenure, the company's revenue and earnings per share have grown 7x and 18x, respectively, while its stock has returned 22x, or 20% annualized.<sup>3</sup>

Ms. Kau is also Chair of Aéroports de Montréal, the private operator of Trudeau International Airport ("YUL") and Mirabel International Airport ("YMX"). YUL is Canada's third largest and busiest airport serving over 20 million passengers annually. Ms. Kau served as Chair of Governance and Human Resources Committee and worked with the founding management team. During Ms. Kau's tenure, the business has increased revenue 1.9x and EBITDA 2.2x.<sup>4</sup>

- Successful Record of Managing CEO Succession in Founder-Led Companies: As the Chair of Couche- Tard's Human Resources and Corporate Governance Committee, Ms. Kau was responsible for the CEO transition in 2014 from the company's CEO and founder Alain Bouchard, who generated a 92x total return, to COO Brian Hannasch.<sup>5</sup> The transition was highly successful; since Mr. Hannasch's appointment as CEO, Couche-Tard's stock has returned 4.6x, or 17% annualized.<sup>6</sup> Ms. Kau also led the most recent CEO succession at Aéroports de Montréal in 2023 which resulted in an external hire.
- Notable Executive and Leadership Experience: Ms. Kau is the Chair and former President of Mobilia Ltd., an independent family-owned retailer in Quebec, where she was President from 1995 to 2011. Ms. Kau also served as the Co-President of Le Naturiste Inc. from 2012 to 2015, a retail chain located in Quebec. Ms. Kau has received several accolades for her business acumen and entrepreneurship, including Canada's Top 40 under 40 and the John Molson School of Business Award of Distinction.



#### **Peter Lee**



**Peter Lee** Co-Founder and Partner of Browning West

Peter Lee (U.S. Citizen), Co-Founder and Partner of Browning West, possesses extensive financial and capital allocation acumen, experience leading public company CEO searches, and brings substantial alignment with shareholders given that Browning West is one of Gildan's largest long-term shareholders. His experience is highly relevant given the current Board has recently taken actions that have destroyed substantial value for shareholders.

- Extensive Financial and Capital Allocation Acumen and Prior Public Company Board Experience: Mr. Lee is a Partner and Co-Founder of Browning West, where he plays a leading role in investment research and capital allocation. Mr. Lee previously served on the board of Countryside Partnerships plc ("Countryside"), and he played a leading role in enabling the merger of Countryside and Vistry Group plc to create the largest homebuilder by volume in the U.K.<sup>1</sup> Prior to joining Browning West, Mr. Lee worked at Criterion Capital Management, Grey Mountain Partners, and Lazard.
- <u>Experience Leading Public Company CEO Searches</u>: The Partners of Browning West have co-led seven CEO or Chair searches at public companies, including co-leading a CEO search to resolve a weak succession plan at Countryside Properties plc, where Mr. Lee served as a director. If appointed to Gildan's Board, Mr. Lee would harness all of Browning West's resources to assist Gildan with succession planning and other matters.
- Strong Alignment with Shareholders: If elected to the Board, Mr. Lee would bring a shareholder perspective and strong alignment to the boardroom, considering Browning West is one of Gildan's top long-term shareholders. Mr. Lee has been deeply involved in the firm's investment in Gildan, having conducted nearly 50 meetings with senior leadership and multiple visits to the Company's manufacturing sites.



#### **Karen Stuckey**



Karen Stuckey Former Senior Vice President at Walmart

Karen Stuckey (U.S. Citizen), Former Senior Vice President at Walmart Inc. (NYSE: WMT), has extensive experience in apparel, led large-scale businesses with an international presence, and operated within a lowcost business model. Her experience is highly relevant given Gildan's low-cost business model and the fact that no current Gildan directors have mass market apparel experience.

- Extensive Expertise in Apparel, Including Private Label: Ms. Stuckey has nearly two decades of experience as a senior leader at Walmart Inc. ("Walmart"), most recently as Senior Vice President, Private Brand within the General Merchandise segment. In this role, Ms. Stuckey led the development of Walmart's private label strategy across more than 100 verticals, including apparel. It is noteworthy that she was responsible for introducing Gildan private label products at Walmart. Ms. Stuckey also served as President of the Casualwear Division of Hanesbrands Inc. (NYSE: HBI) from 2000 to 2004, which was a competitor to Gildan at the time.<sup>1</sup> These experiences are highly relevant as she can provide both a competitor's and customer's perspective on Gildan and would be the first member of the Board with direct mass market apparel product knowledge.
- <u>Experience Operating Businesses of Significant Scale</u>: Ms. Stuckey oversaw a segment with over \$40 billion USD in annual revenues with full P&L responsibility and led the development of strategy and operational execution. Walmart operates more than 10,500 retail stores across 24 countries and is the world's largest private employer.
- <u>Experience Operating Internationally with a Global Supply Chain</u>: Ms. Stuckey oversaw global operations with a sourcing budget of over \$20 billion USD and a supply chain across multiple continents. Ms. Stuckey has direct experience working in countries in which Gildan operates throughout Central America and Asia.
- <u>Operated Within a Low-Cost Business Model</u>: During a nearly two-decade career at Walmart, Ms. Stuckey was steeped in a culture and operating model that emphasized the importance of low-cost operations. The success of Walmart's low-cost model is widely considered one of the great case studies in long-term value creation.



#### J.P. Towner



J.P. Towner Former CFO of Dollarama, Current CFO of RONA

J.P. Towner (Canadian Citizen), Former Chief Financial Officer of Dollarama Inc. (TSX: DOL) and Current Chief Financial Officer of RONA inc., has extensive experience working in low-cost vertically integrated businesses focused on value-oriented consumer products with successful founders and has a track record of delivering strong financial results. His experience is highly relevant given Gildan's focus on vertical integration and maintaining a low-cost advantage.

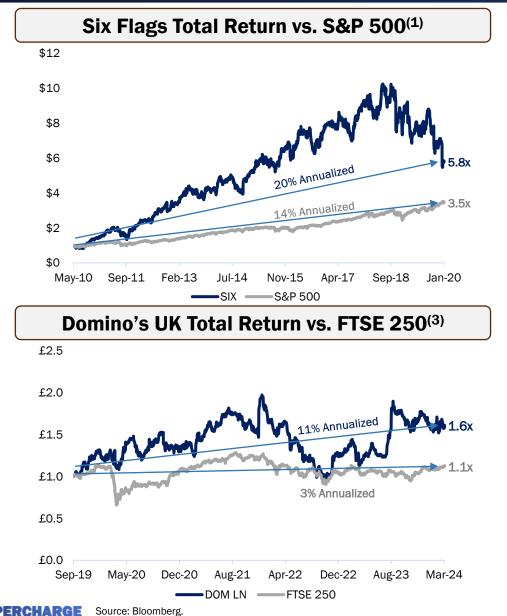
- Experience in Vertically Integrated Businesses Focused on Value-Oriented Consumer Products: Mr. Towner is the former Chief Financial Officer of Dollarama Inc. ("Dollarama"), a \$23 billion USD enterprise value vertically integrated retailer focused on value-oriented products based in Canada. Dollarama is vertically integrated through sourcing, distribution, and retail and focuses on delivering the best value to its customers in Canada, which is highly relevant to Gildan's own vertically integrated and low-cost business model. In addition to its Canadian operations, Dollarama also operates a highly successful multi-national strategy across four countries in Central and South America. During Mr. Towner's tenure, Dollarama's revenue grew at nearly 14% annually and earnings per share grew at nearly 25% annually. These strong operating results underpinned a total return of 84% and an annualized return of 27% for Dollarama's stock during Mr. Towner's tenure.<sup>1</sup>
- Track Record of Delivering Strong Financial Results: Mr. Towner is a seasoned finance executive with more than 15 years of experience in corporate and financial strategy, capital markets, and risk management. As Chief Financial Officer of Dollarama, Mr. Towner contributed to a highly successful capital allocation strategy and returned significant value to shareholders; in addition, he was instrumental in improving Dollarama's EBITDA margins. He currently serves as the Chief Financial Officer of RONA inc. ("RONA"), one of Canada's leading home improvement retailers, currently owned by a private equity firm. RONA generated over \$5 billion USD in revenue in 2022, operating or servicing 425 corporate and affiliated dealer stores with a team of 22,000 employees.<sup>2</sup> Mr. Towner also spent five years as Executive Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer of Pomerleau Inc. ("Pomerleau"), one of the largest construction companies in Canada, which generated nearly \$2.4 billion USD in revenue in 2021.<sup>3</sup> During his tenure, he contributed to increasing the revenue and profitability of Pomerleau's operations by 3x and 5x, respectively. Additionally, Mr. Towner spent nearly 10 years with BMO Capital Markets.
- <u>Experience Working with Founders of Highly Successful Businesses</u>: Mr. Towner has worked extensively with independent board members and board committees of public and private companies, as well as representatives from the founding families of Dollarama and Pomerleau.



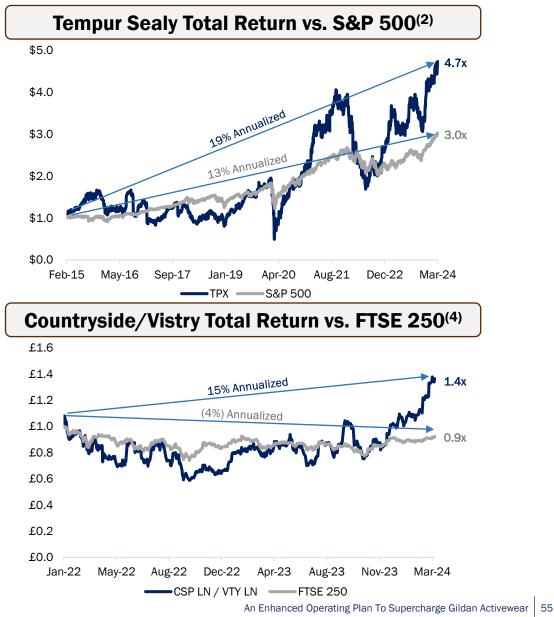
# Appendix

# **Browning West Partners' Track Record of Value Creation**

### In Prior Board Roles, Browning West Partners Have Upgraded Leadership and Board **Quality Which Has Created Significant Shareholder Value**



1)



Represents total return from May 11, 2010 through January 30, 2020. 3) Represents total return from September 9, 2019 through March 26, 2024.

2) Represents total return from February 9, 2015 through March 26, 2024. 4) Represents total return from January 13, 2022 through March 26, 2024.

## Our Partners Have Acted as Positive Catalysts for Change and Significantly Improved Returns at Companies They Have Been Actively Involved With

Company	Browning West Partner Activist Intervention	New High-Quality CEO Appointment	High-Quality Board Reconstitution	3-Year Total Return Prior to Intervention	Post-Intervention Total Return	Annualized Total Return Improvement
Six Flags.	May 2010 Exec Chair / Board Role	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	-100% Equity Wiped Out in Bankruptcy	+483% 20% Annualized	/   +20% 
TEMPUR+SEALY	February 2015 Board Role	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	-31% -12% Annualized	+373% 19% Annualized	+30%
Domino's UK	September 2019 Board Role	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	-24% -9% Annualized	+61% 11% Annualized	+20%
COUNTRYSIDE Picces People Love Vistry Group	January 2022 Board Role	$\checkmark$		+3% 1% Annualized	+37% 15% Annualized	+14%



Source: Bloomberg. Pre-intervention total returns measured 3 years prior to Browning West partner involvement. Six Flags post-intervention total return from May 11, 2010 through January 30, 2020. Tempur Sealy post-intervention total return from February 9, 2015 through March 26, 2024. Domino's UK post-intervention total return from September 9, 2019 through March 26, 2024. Countryside / Vistry post-intervention total return from January 13, 2022 through March 26, 2024.

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