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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM S-1**

**REGISTRATION STATEMENT**

*Under*

*The Securities Act of 1933*

**Five Below, Inc.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Pennsylvania**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**5331**  
(Primary Standard Industrial  
Classification Code Number)  
**1818 Market Street**

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**75-3000378**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

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**Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public:** As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

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### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registered (1)	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share (2)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price (2)	Amount of Registration Fee
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	9,847,647	\$36.63	\$360,719,310	\$49,203

(1) Includes shares of common stock that may be purchased by the underwriters to cover the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares, if any.

(2) Estimated solely for the purpose of computing the amount of the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on the basis of the average of the high and low prices for the registrant's common stock on May 7, 2013, as reported by The NASDAQ Global Select Market.

**The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.**

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**The information in this preliminary prospectus is not complete and may be changed. These securities may not be sold until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This preliminary prospectus is not an offer to sell nor does it seek an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.**

**Subject to Completion, Dated May 13, 2013.**

**8,563,172 Shares**

**Five Below, Inc.**

**Common Stock**

This is a public offering of 8,563,172 shares of common stock of Five Below, Inc. The selling shareholders identified in this prospectus, some of whom are our affiliates, are offering all of the shares. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of the shares sold in this offering. We will bear all of the offering expenses other than the underwriting discounts and commissions.

Our common stock is listed on The NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol FIVE. The last reported sales price of our common stock on May 10, 2013 was \$38.42 per share.

Five Below is an emerging growth company as that term is used in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups (JOBS) Act of 2012; however, the Company has not, and does not intend to, take advantage of any of the reduced public company reporting requirements afforded by the JOBS Act.

See Risk Factors beginning on page 9 to read about factors you should consider before buying shares of our common stock.

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

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	Per Share	Total
Initial price to public	\$	\$
Underwriting discount(1)	\$	\$
Proceeds, before expenses, to the selling shareholders	\$	\$

(1) See Underwriting.

To the extent that the underwriters sell more than 8,563,172 shares of common stock, the underwriters have the option to purchase up to an additional 1,284,475 shares from the selling shareholders at the initial price to the public less the underwriting discount. We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of any of the additional shares.

The underwriters expect to deliver the shares against payment in New York, New York on \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

**Goldman, Sachs & Co.**

**Barclays**

**Jefferies**

**Credit Suisse**

**Deutsche Bank Securities**

**UBS Investment Bank**

**Wells Fargo Securities**

Prospectus dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

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We have not authorized anyone to provide any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this prospectus or in any free writing prospectuses we have prepared. We take no responsibility for, and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you. This prospectus is an offer to sell only the shares offered hereby, but only under circumstances and in jurisdictions where it is lawful to do so. The information contained in this prospectus is current only as of its date.

Persons who come into possession of this prospectus and any such free writing prospectus in jurisdictions outside the United States are required to inform themselves about and to observe any restrictions as to this offering and the distribution of this prospectus and any such free writing prospectus applicable to that jurisdiction.



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### **Market and Industry Data**

We obtained the industry, market and competitive position data throughout this prospectus from our own internal estimates and research, as well as from industry and general publications and research, surveys and studies conducted by third parties.

### **Basis of Presentation**

We operate on a fiscal calendar widely used by the retail industry that results in a given fiscal year consisting of a 52- or 53-week period ending on the Saturday closest to January 31 of the following year. References to fiscal year 2013 or fiscal 2013 refer to the fiscal year ending February 1, 2014, references to fiscal year 2012 or fiscal 2012 refer to the fiscal year ended February 2, 2013, references to fiscal year 2011 or fiscal 2011 refer to the fiscal year ended January 28, 2012, and references to fiscal year 2010 or fiscal 2010 refer to the fiscal year ended January 29, 2011. Fiscal year 2013 consists of a 52-week period, fiscal year 2012 consisted of a 53-week period and each of fiscal years 2011 and 2010 consisted of a 52-week period.

On July 17, 2012, we amended our articles of incorporation to effect a 0.3460-for-1 reverse stock split of our common stock. Concurrent with the reverse stock split, we adjusted (x) the conversion price of our Series A 8% convertible preferred stock, (y) the number of shares subject to and the exercise price of our outstanding stock option awards under our equity incentive plan and (z) the number of shares subject to and the exercise price of our outstanding warrants, such that the holders of the preferred stock, options and warrants were in the same economic position both before and after the reverse stock split. In addition, immediately prior to the closing of our initial public offering, or IPO, the outstanding shares of our Series A 8% convertible preferred stock converted into shares of our common stock.

### **Trademarks**

We own or have rights to trademarks or trade names that we use in conjunction with the operation of our business, including Five Below® and Five Below Hot Stuff. Cool Prices.® Solely for convenience, trademarks and trade names referred to in this prospectus may appear without the ® or symbols, but such references are not intended to indicate, in any way, that we will not assert, to the fullest extent under applicable law, our rights or the rights of the applicable licensor to these trademarks and trade names. In this prospectus, we also refer to product names, trademarks, trade names and service marks that are the property of other companies. Each of the trademarks, trade names or service marks of other companies appearing in this prospectus belongs to its owners. Our use or display of other companies' product names, trademarks, trade names or service marks is not intended to and does not imply a relationship with, or endorsement or sponsorship by us of, the product, trademark, trade name or service mark owner, unless we otherwise indicate.

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**PROSPECTUS SUMMARY**

*This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this prospectus. It does not contain all of the information that may be important to you and your investment decision. You should carefully read this entire prospectus, including the matters set forth under Risk Factors,*

*Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and our financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. In this prospectus, unless the context otherwise requires, references to Five Below, the Company, we, us and our refer to Five Below, Inc. Numbers may not sum due to rounding.*

*We purchase products in reaction to existing marketplace trends and, hence, refer to our products as trend-right. We use the term dynamic merchandise to refer to the broad range and frequently changing nature of the products we display in our stores. We use the term power shopping center to refer to an unenclosed shopping center with 250,000 to 750,000 square feet of gross leasable area that contains three or more big box retailers (large retailers with floor space over 50,000 square feet) and various smaller retailers with a common parking area shared by the retailers. We use the term lifestyle shopping center to refer to a shopping center or commercial development that is often located in suburban areas and combines the traditional retail functions of a shopping mall with leisure amenities oriented towards upscale consumers. We use the term community shopping center to refer to a shopping area designed to serve a trade area of 40,000 to 150,000 people with a minimum of 430,500 square feet (10 acres) in area, where the lead tenant is a variety discount or junior department store. We use the term trade area to refer to the geographic area from which the majority of a given retailer's customers come from. Trade areas vary by market based on geographic size, population density, demographics and proximity to alternative shopping opportunities.*

**Overview**

Five Below is a rapidly growing specialty value retailer offering a broad range of trend-right, high-quality merchandise targeted at the teen and pre-teen customer. We offer a dynamic, edited assortment of exciting products, all priced at \$5 and below, including select brands and licensed merchandise across a number of categories, which we refer to as worlds : *Style, Room, Sports, Media, Crafts, Party, Candy and Now* (also known as *Seasonal* ). We believe we are transforming the shopping experience of our target demographic with a unique merchandising strategy and high-energy retail concept that our customers consider fun and exciting. Based upon management's experience and industry knowledge, we believe our compelling value proposition and the dynamic nature of our merchandise offering appeal to teens and pre-teens, as well as customers across a variety of age groups beyond our target demographic.

Five Below was founded in 2002 by our Executive Chairman, David Schlessinger, and our President and Chief Executive Officer, Thomas Vellios, who recognized a market need for a fun and affordable shopping destination aimed at our target customer. We opened the first Five Below store in 2002 and have since been expanding across the eastern half of the U.S. As of May 4, 2013, we operated a total of 258 locations across 18 states. Our stores average approximately 7,500 square feet and are typically located within power, community and lifestyle shopping centers across a variety of urban, suburban and semi-rural markets. We plan to open a total of approximately 60 net new stores in fiscal 2013, and we believe we have the opportunity to grow our store base to more than 2,000 locations over time.

We believe our business model has resulted in strong financial performance irrespective of the economic environment:

We have achieved positive comparable store sales during each of the last 28 fiscal quarters.

For the thirteen weeks ended May 4, 2013, our comparable store sales increased by 4.2%. For the same period in the prior year, our comparable store sales increased by 10.4%. Our net sales for the thirteen weeks ended May 4, 2013 were \$95.6 million, an increase of 33%, from \$71.8 million for the thirteen weeks ended April 28, 2012.

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Our comparable store sales increased by 15.6% in fiscal 2010, 7.9% in fiscal 2011, and 7.1% in fiscal 2012 with positive comparable store sales performance across all geographic regions and store-year classes.

We expanded our store base from 142 stores at the end of fiscal 2010 to 244 stores at the end of fiscal 2012, representing a compound annual growth rate of 31.1%.

Between fiscal 2010 and 2012, our net sales increased from \$197.2 million to \$418.8 million, representing a compound annual growth rate of 45.7%.

Over the same period, our operating income increased from \$11.8 million to \$37.7 million, representing a compound annual growth rate of 78.6%.

***Our Competitive Strengths***

We believe the following strengths differentiate Five Below from competitors and are the key drivers of our success:

***Unique Focus on the Teen and Pre-Teen Customer.*** We target an attractive customer segment of teens and pre-teens with trend-right merchandise at a differentiated price point of \$5 and below. Our brand concept, merchandising strategy and store ambience work in concert to create an upbeat and vibrant retail experience that is designed to appeal to our target audience. We monitor trends in the ever-changing teen and pre-teen markets and are able to quickly identify and respond to those that become mainstream. We believe our price points enable teens and pre-teens to shop independently and exercise self-expression, using their own money to make frequent purchases of items geared primarily to them.

***Broad Assortment of Trend-Right, High-Quality Merchandise with Universal Appeal.*** We deliver an edited assortment of trend-right, everyday products that changes frequently to create a sense of anticipation and freshness. Our unique approach encourages frequent customer visits and limits the cyclical fluctuations experienced by many other specialty retailers. The breadth, depth and quality of our product mix and the diversity of our category worlds attract shoppers across a broad range of age and socio-economic demographics.

***Exceptional Value Proposition for Customers.*** We believe we offer a clear value proposition to our customers with our price points of \$5 and below. We are able to deliver on this value proposition through sourcing products in a manner that is designed to minimize cost, accelerate response times and maximize sell-through. We have collaborative relationships with our vendor partners and also employ an opportunistic buying strategy, which allows us to capitalize on select excess inventory opportunities. This unique and flexible sourcing strategy allows us to offer high-quality products at exceptional value across all of our category worlds.

***Differentiated Shopping Experience.*** We have created an in-store atmosphere that we believe our customers find easy-to-shop, fun and exciting. While we refresh our products frequently, we maintain a consistent floor layout with an easy-to-navigate racetrack flow and sight-lines across the entire store enabling customers to easily identify our category worlds. All of our stores feature a sound system playing popular music throughout the shopping day. We employ colorful and stimulating in-store fixtures and signage and also utilize dynamic product displays, which encourage hands-on interaction. We have developed a unique culture that emanates from our employees, driving a higher level of connectivity with customers. Additionally, we believe the combination of our price points and merchandising create an element of discovery, driving customer engagement and repeat visits while insulating us against e-commerce cannibalization trends.

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***Powerful and Consistent Store Economics.*** We have a proven store model that generates strong cash flow, consistent store-level financial results and high level returns on investment. Our stores have been successful in varying geographic regions, population densities and real estate settings. Each of our stores was profitable on a four-wall basis in fiscal 2012 and our new stores have achieved average payback periods of less than one year. We believe our robust store model, reinforced by our rigorous site selection process and in-store execution, drives the strength and consistency of our comparable store sales financial performance across all geographic regions and store-year classes.

***Highly Experienced and Passionate Senior Management Team with Proven Track Record.*** Our senior management team has extensive experience across a broad range of disciplines, including merchandising, real estate, finance, store operations, supply chain management and information technology. Our co-founders, David Schlessinger and Thomas Vellios, have approximately 66 combined years of retail experience and have set the vision and strategic direction for Five Below. Our management team drives our operating philosophy, which is based on a relentless focus on providing high-quality merchandise at exceptional value and a superior shopping experience utilizing a disciplined, low-cost operating and sourcing structure.

### ***Growth Strategy***

We believe we can grow our net sales and earnings by executing on the following strategies:

***Grow Our Store Base.*** We believe we have the potential to grow our store base in the U.S. from 258 locations, as of May 4, 2013, to more than 2,000 locations over time. Based upon our strategy of store densification in existing markets and expanding into adjacent states and markets, we expect most of our near-term growth will occur within our existing markets. We opened 50 net new stores in fiscal 2011, 52 new stores in fiscal 2012, and plan to open a total of approximately 60 net new stores in fiscal 2013.

***Drive Comparable Store Sales.*** We expect to continue driving comparable store sales growth by maintaining our dynamic merchandising offering, supported by our flexible sourcing strategy and differentiated in-store shopping experience. We intend to increase our brand awareness through cost-effective marketing efforts and enthusiastic customer engagement.

***Increase Brand Awareness.*** We intend to leverage our cost-effective marketing strategy to increase awareness of our brand. Our strategy includes the use of newspaper circulars, local media and grassroots marketing to support existing and new market entries. We believe we have an opportunity to leverage our growing social media and online presence to drive brand excitement and increased store visits within existing and new markets. These platforms allow us to continue to build brand awareness and expand our new customer base.

***Enhance Operating Margins.*** We believe we have further opportunities to drive margin improvement over time. A primary driver of our expected margin expansion will come from leveraging our cost structure as we continue to increase our store base and drive our average net sales per store. We intend to capitalize on opportunities across our supply chain as we grow our business and achieve further economies of scale.

### ***Our Market Opportunity***

As a result of our unique merchandise offering and value proposition, we believe we have effectively targeted the teen and pre-teen markets. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, there were over 63 million people in the U.S. between the ages of 5 and 19, which represented over 20% of the U.S. population as of April 1, 2010. Based on management's experience and industry knowledge, we believe that this segment of the population has a significant amount of disposable income as the vast majority of this age group's basic needs are already met.

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### ***Risks Associated with our Business***

There are a number of risks and uncertainties that may affect our financial and operating performance and our growth prospects. You should carefully consider all of the risks discussed in Risk Factors, which begins on page 9, before investing in our common stock. These risks include the following:

we may not be able to successfully implement our growth strategy if we are unable to identify suitable sites for store locations, obtain favorable lease terms, attract customers to our stores, hire and retain personnel and maintain sufficient levels of cash flow and financing to support our expansion;

we may not be able to effectively anticipate changes in trends or in spending patterns or shopping preferences of our customers, which could adversely impact our business;

we may face disruptions in our ability to select, obtain, distribute and market merchandise attractive to customers at prices that allow us to profitably sell such merchandise;

our business is seasonal and we may face adverse events during the holiday season, which could negatively impact our business;

we may not be able to effectively expand and improve our operations, including our distribution center capacity, or manage our existing resources to support our future growth;

we may not be able to maintain or improve levels of our comparable store sales;

we may lose key management personnel, which could adversely impact our business;

we may face increased competition, which could adversely impact our business;

our cash flows from operations may be negatively affected if we are not successful in managing our inventory balances; and

our profitability is vulnerable to inflation, cost increases and energy prices.

### ***Principal Shareholders***

Following the closing of this offering, funds managed by Advent International Corporation, or Advent, are expected to own approximately 18.9% of our outstanding common stock, or 16.9%, if the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares is fully exercised. As a result, Advent will be able to exert significant voting influence over fundamental and significant corporate matters and transactions. See Risk Factors Risks Related to This Offering and Ownership of Our Common Stock and Principal and Selling Shareholders.

Certain of our principal shareholders, including Advent, may acquire or hold interests in businesses that compete directly with us, or may pursue acquisition opportunities which are complementary to our business, making such an acquisition unavailable to us. Our second amended and restated shareholders agreement, as amended, contains provisions renouncing any interest or expectancy held by our directors affiliated with Advent in certain corporate opportunities. For further information, see Risk Factors Risks Related to This Offering and Ownership of Our Common Stock. Certain of our existing investors have interests and positions that could present potential conflicts with our and our shareholders.

interests.

Since 1984, Advent has raised \$37 billion in private equity capital and completed 285 transactions in 36 countries. Advent's current portfolio is comprised of investments in 47 companies across five sectors: Retail, Consumer & Leisure; Financial and Business Services; Industrial; Technology, Media & Telecoms; and Healthcare. The Advent team includes more than 170 investment professionals across Western and Central Europe, North America, Latin America and Asia.

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We expect Advent and certain of our other principal shareholders, directors, executive officers and their affiliates to receive the following approximate offering proceeds in connection with this offering, based on an assumed offering price of \$38.42 per share, the last reported sales price of our common stock on The NASDAQ Global Select Market on May 10, 2013 (which amounts will be reduced by the underwriting discount):

Name	Relationship	Gross Proceeds
Advent	Shareholder	\$ 278,545,000
FMR LLC	Shareholder	\$
David Schlessinger	Executive Chairman, Director	\$ 25,304,104
Thomas Vellios	President and Chief Executive Officer, Director	\$ 25,147,965
Kenneth R. Bull	Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer	\$
David Johnston	Chief Operating Officer	\$
Steven J. Collins	Director	\$
Andrew W. Crawford	Director	\$
Michael Devine	Director	\$
David M. Mussafer	Director	\$
Thomas Ryan	Director	\$
Ron Sargent	Director	\$

**Corporate and Other Information**

Five Below was incorporated in Pennsylvania in January 2002. David Schlessinger, our Executive Chairman, and Thomas Vellios, our President and Chief Executive Officer, are the founders of Five Below. In October 2010, Advent acquired a majority interest in Five Below, which we refer to as the 2010 Transaction, with the goal of supporting the management team in accelerating our growth. Please see Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions Investment by Advent for a description of the 2010 Transaction.

Our principal executive office is located at 1818 Market Street, Suite 1900, Philadelphia, PA 19103 and our telephone number is (215) 546-7909. Our corporate website address is [www.fivebelow.com](http://www.fivebelow.com). The information contained on, or accessible through, our corporate website does not constitute part of this prospectus.

**Recent Developments**

Net sales for the first quarter ended May 4, 2013 increased 33% to \$95.6 million and comparable store sales increased 4.2% from the comparable prior year period. During the first quarter of fiscal 2013, we opened 14 net new stores, of which 6 were opened during the last 9 days of the quarter, and we expect to open approximately 60 net new stores in fiscal 2013. For the first quarter of fiscal 2013, U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP, net income is expected to be in the range of \$0.8 million to \$1.3 million, with a GAAP diluted income per common share range of \$0.01 to \$0.02 per share on approximately 53.4 million estimated diluted weighted average common shares outstanding. GAAP net income and income per common share expectations include an estimated \$0.9 million in tax-effected expenses related to the founders transaction. Excluding the expenses related to the founders transaction, which represent \$0.02 per adjusted diluted share, net income is expected to be approximately \$1.7 million to \$2.2 million, or \$0.03 to \$0.04 per diluted share based on estimated adjusted diluted weighted average common shares outstanding of approximately 54.5 million. The founders transaction relates to the amortization of expense for options granted to our founders in fiscal 2010 and their modification in March 2012, which cancelled the fiscal 2010 option award to purchase 2,020,620 shares of common stock and granted an equal number of restricted shares that vest through March 2014.

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These expectations include adjusted net income, adjusted income per diluted share, and adjusted diluted weighted average common shares outstanding, each a non-GAAP financial measure. We report our numbers on a GAAP and non-GAAP basis each quarter, and provide a reconciliation table between the two for investors. We believe that these non-GAAP financial measures not only provide our management with comparable financial data for internal financial analysis but also provide meaningful supplemental information to investors. Non-GAAP financial measures have limitations as analytical tools, and investors should not consider them in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of our results as reported under GAAP.

These expected ranges are preliminary and may change. We have not finalized our normal quarterly closing and review procedures for the quarter ended May 4, 2013, and there can be no assurance that final results for our first quarter will not differ from our expected results, including as a result of quarter-end closing procedures or review adjustments. In addition, the expectations for this first quarter will be subject to quarter closing procedures and/or adjustments, and should not be viewed as a substitute for our full interim unaudited financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP. These expected results could change materially and are not necessarily indicative of the results to be achieved for our first quarter or any future period. As a result of the foregoing considerations and the other limitations described herein, investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on this preliminary financial information. See **Risk Factors** **Risks Related to Our Business and Industry** There are material limitations with making estimates of our results for current or prior periods prior to the completion of our normal review procedures for such periods, **Risk Factors**, **Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**, **Selected Financial and Other Data**, **Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations** and our financial statements and the related notes thereto included elsewhere in this prospectus.



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**The Offering**

Common stock offered by selling shareholders	8,563,172 shares (9,847,647 shares if the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional shares in full)
Common stock outstanding immediately after the offering	54,019,137 shares
Option to purchase additional shares	The underwriters have an option to purchase a maximum of 1,284,475 additional shares of common stock from the selling shareholders. The underwriters can exercise this option at any time within 30 days from the date of this prospectus.
Dividend policy	We currently intend to retain any future earnings for use in the operation and expansion of our business. Any further determination to pay dividends on our capital stock will be at the discretion of our board of directors, subject to applicable laws, and will depend on our financial condition, results of operations, capital requirements, general business conditions and other factors that our board of directors considers relevant. In addition, the terms of our term loan facility and revolving credit facility contain restrictions on our ability to pay dividends. See Dividends.
Symbol for trading on The NASDAQ Global Select Market	FIVE
The number of shares of common stock to be outstanding after this offering is based on 54,019,137 shares outstanding as of May 6, 2013 and excludes:	

1,218,443 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options to purchase common stock outstanding as of May 6, 2013 at a weighted average exercise price of \$ 12.22 per share; and

5,423,709 shares of common stock reserved for issuance under our equity incentive plan and employee stock purchase plan (which remains subject to shareholder approval).

Except as otherwise indicated, all information in this prospectus assumes that the underwriters will not exercise their option to purchase additional shares.

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The following table presents summary financial and other data for the periods and at the dates indicated. The statement of operations and cash flows data for fiscal 2010, 2011 and 2012 and the balance sheet data as of January 28, 2012 and February 2, 2013 have been derived from audited financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The balance sheet data as of January 29, 2011 has been derived from audited financial statements not included in this prospectus. You should read this data along with the sections of this prospectus entitled "Selected Financial and Other Data" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," and our financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. Our historical results are not necessarily indicative of results for any future period.

	2010	Fiscal Year 2011	2012
	(in thousands, except total stores, share and per share data)		
<b>Statements of Operations Data:</b>			
Net sales	\$ 197,189	\$ 297,113	\$ 418,825
Cost of goods sold	131,046	192,252	268,989
Gross profit	66,143	104,861	149,836
Selling, general and administrative expenses(1)	54,339	78,640	112,182
Operating income	11,804	26,221	37,654
Interest expense (income), net	28	(16)	2,374
Loss on debt extinguishment			1,594
Other income			(408)
Income before income taxes	11,776	26,237	34,094
Income tax expense	4,753	10,159	14,069
Net income	7,023	16,078	20,025
Dividend paid to preferred and unvested restricted shareholders			(65,403)
Series A 8% convertible preferred stock cumulative dividends	(4,507)	(15,913)	
Accretion of redeemable convertible preferred stock	(3,329)		
Net income attributable to participating securities		(109)	
Net (loss) income available to common shareholders	\$ (813)	\$ 56	\$ (45,378)
<b>Per Share Data:</b>			
Basic (loss) income per common share(2)	\$ (0.08)	\$	\$ (1.28)
Diluted (loss) income per common share(2)	\$ (0.08)	\$	\$ (1.28)
Dividends declared per common share	\$ 13.24	\$	\$ 2.02
Weighted average shares outstanding:			
Basic shares	9,672,195	15,903,599	35,444,200
Diluted shares	9,672,195	15,904,108	35,444,200
Unaudited pro forma net income(3)			\$ 16,737
Unaudited pro forma net income attributable to participating securities(3)			(384)
Unaudited pro forma net income attributable to common shareholders(3)			\$ 16,353
Unaudited pro forma basic income per common share(3)			\$ 0.31
Unaudited pro forma diluted income per common share(3)			\$ 0.31
Unaudited pro forma weighted average shares outstanding:			
Basic shares			52,015,021
Diluted shares			52,256,471
<b>Statements of Cash Flows Data:</b>			
Net cash provided by (used in):			

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Operating activities	\$ 15,045	\$ 46,695	\$ 30,363
Investing activities	\$ (14,883)	\$ (18,558)	\$ (22,890)
Financing activities	\$ (445)	\$ 1,003	\$ 7,315
<b>Other Operating and Financial Data:</b>			
Total stores at end of period	142	192	244
Comparable store sales growth	15.6%	7.9%	7.1%
Average net sales per store(4)	\$ 1,542	\$ 1,658	\$ 1,822
Capital expenditures	\$ 14,883	\$ 18,558	\$ 22,890

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	January 29, 2011	As of January 28, 2012	February 2, 2013
<b>Balance Sheet Data:</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 12,153	\$ 41,293	\$ 56,081
Total current assets	45,942	92,249	129,676
Total current liabilities	18,215	49,942	68,784
Total long-term debt, excluding current portion(5)	250	250	19,500
Total liabilities	33,524	72,431	118,916
Series A 8% convertible preferred stock	191,855	191,855	
Total shareholders (deficit) equity	(148,797)	(129,759)	70,744

(1) Fiscal 2010 includes \$5.3 million of expense related to the 2010 Transaction and fiscal 2011 includes \$6.1 million of non-contractual bonus to certain executive officers for performance in fiscal 2011 and associated tax expense. Fiscal 2012 includes \$10.5 million of stock-based compensation expense that relates to the cancellation of certain stock options, in exchange for the grant of restricted shares and on-going expense recognition of the awards over the remaining vesting period. In addition, fiscal 2012 includes \$1.0 million of expenses related to legal, accounting, and other fees in connection with our secondary public offering in January 2013.

(2) Please see Note 2 in our annual financial statements, included elsewhere in this prospectus, for an explanation of per share calculations.

(3) Pro forma information is unaudited and is prepared in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation S-X.

On May 16, 2012, we entered into a \$100.0 million senior secured term loan facility, or term loan facility, with a syndicate of lenders. We used the net proceeds from the term loan facility of approximately \$98.0 million and cash on hand to pay a special dividend totaling approximately \$99.5 million on all outstanding shares of our common stock and Series A 8% convertible preferred stock, which we refer to as the 2012 Dividend. On the same day, we amended and restated our existing senior secured revolving credit facility with Wells Fargo Bank National Association. On July 27, 2012, we repaid \$65.3 million of principal against the term loan facility and \$0.7 million of interest from our proceeds from our IPO. We refer to the term loan facility, the amended and restated senior secured revolving credit facility, or revolving credit facility, and related transactions as the Financing Transactions. Effective immediately prior to the closing of our IPO on July 24, 2012, all outstanding shares of Series A 8% convertible preferred stock were converted into 30,894,953 shares of common stock.

Pro forma net income gives effect to: (i) the 2012 Dividend paid to our preferred shareholders and (ii) the Financing Transactions, including repayment of \$65.3 million of outstanding indebtedness under the new term loan facility with proceeds from our IPO.

The following is a reconciliation of historical net loss to unaudited pro forma net income:

	<b>Fiscal Year 2012</b>
Net loss available/attribution to common shareholders	\$ (45,378)
Add:	
Dividend paid to preferred shareholders	62,504
Less:	
Interest expense, net of tax	(324)
Amortization of deferred financing fees, net of tax	(65)
Unaudited pro forma net income	16,737
Unaudited pro forma net income attributable to participating securities	(384)
Unaudited pro forma net income attributable to common shareholders	\$ 16,353

Pro Forma per share data gives effect to (i) the Financing Transactions; (ii) the conversion of our outstanding shares of Series A 8% convertible preferred stock into shares of common stock in connection with the closing of the IPO and (iii) the number of shares whose proceeds were used to repay \$65.3 million of the outstanding indebtedness under the term loan facility.

The following is a reconciliation of pro forma basic and diluted weighted average common shares outstanding:

	<b>Fiscal Year 2012</b>
Shares used in computing basic net loss per common share	35,444,200

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Adjustment for conversion of preferred stock	14,739,641
Adjustment for shares used to repay outstanding indebtedness under the term loan facility	1,831,180
Unaudited basic pro forma weighted average common shares outstanding	52,015,021
Dilutive effect of securities	241,450
Unaudited diluted pro forma weighted average common shares outstanding	52,256,471

- (4) Only includes stores open during the full fiscal year.
- (5) We plan to repay approximately \$15.0 million of principal on the term loan facility during fiscal 2013, which is classified as a current liability and not included in the long-term balance as of the end of fiscal 2012.

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**RISK FACTORS**

*An investment in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the risks described below, together with all of the other information included in this prospectus, before making an investment decision. If any of the following risks actually occurs, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected. In that event, the trading price of our common stock could decline and you could lose all or part of your investment.*

**Risks Related to Our Business and Industry**

*We may not be able to successfully implement our growth strategy on a timely basis or at all, which could harm our growth and results of operations.*

Our growth is dependent on our ability to open profitable new stores. We believe we have an opportunity to continue to grow our store base from 258 stores in 18 states as of May 4, 2013, to more than 2,000 locations over time.

Our ability to open profitable new stores depends on many factors, including our ability to:

identify suitable markets and sites for new stores;

negotiate leases with acceptable terms;

achieve brand awareness in the new markets;

efficiently source and distribute additional merchandise;

maintain adequate distribution capacity, information systems and other operational system capabilities;

hire, train and retain store management and other qualified personnel; and

achieve sufficient levels of cash flow and financing to support our expansion.

Unavailability of attractive store locations, delays in the acquisition or opening of new stores, delays or costs resulting from a decrease in commercial development due to capital constraints, difficulties in staffing and operating new store locations or lack of customer acceptance of stores in new market areas may negatively impact our new store growth and the costs or the profitability associated with new stores.

Additionally, some of our new stores may be located in areas where we have little experience or a lack of brand recognition. Those markets may have different competitive conditions, market conditions, consumer tastes and discretionary spending patterns than our existing markets, which may cause these new stores to be less successful than stores in our existing markets. Other new stores may be located in areas where we have existing stores. Although we have experience in these markets, increasing the number of locations in these markets may result in inadvertent over-saturation of markets and temporarily or permanently divert customers and sales from our existing stores, thereby adversely affecting our overall financial performance.

Accordingly, we cannot assure you that we will achieve our planned growth or, even if we are able to grow our store base as planned, that any new stores will perform as planned. If we fail to successfully implement our growth strategy, we will not be able to sustain the rapid growth in sales and profits that we expect, which would likely have an adverse impact on the price of our common stock.

*Any disruption in our ability to select, obtain, distribute and market merchandise attractive to customers at prices that allow us to profitably sell such merchandise could impact our business negatively.*

We generally have been able to select and obtain sufficient quantities of attractive merchandise at prices that allow us to be profitable. If we are unable to continue to select products that are attractive to our customers, to obtain such products at costs that allow us to sell such products at a profit, or to market such products effectively

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to consumers, our sales or profitability could be affected adversely. In addition, the success of our business depends in part on our ability to anticipate, identify and respond promptly to evolving trends in demographics and consumer preferences, expectations and needs. If we are unable to quickly respond to developing trends or if the spending patterns or demographics of these markets change, and we do not timely and appropriately respond to such changes, then the demand for our products, which are discretionary, and our market share could be adversely affected. Failure to maintain attractive stores and to timely identify or effectively respond to changing consumer needs, preferences and spending patterns could adversely affect our relationship with customers, the demand for our products and our market share.

Any disruption in the supply or increase in pricing of our merchandise could negatively impact our ability to achieve anticipated operating results. The products we sell are sourced from a wide variety of domestic and international vendors. We have not experienced any difficulty in obtaining sufficient quantities of core merchandise and believe that, if one or more of our current sources of supply become unavailable, we would generally be able to obtain alternative sources without experiencing a substantial disruption of our business. However, such alternative sources could increase our merchandise costs and reduce the quality of our merchandise, and an inability to obtain alternative sources could affect our sales.

A significant majority of our merchandise is manufactured outside the United States, and changes in the prices and flow of these goods for any reason could have an adverse impact on our operations. The United States and other countries have occasionally proposed and enacted protectionist trade legislation, which may result in changes in tariff structures and trade policies and restrictions that could increase the cost or reduce the availability of certain merchandise. Any of these or other measures or events relating to vendors and the countries in which they are located or where our merchandise is manufactured, some or all of which are beyond our control, can negatively impact our operations, increase costs and lower our margins. Such events or circumstances include, but are not limited to:

political and economic instability;

the financial instability and labor problems of vendors;

the availability and cost of raw materials;

merchandise quality or safety issues;

changes in currency exchange rates;

inflation; and

transportation availability and cost.

These and other factors affecting our vendors and our access to products could affect our financial performance adversely.

***Our new store growth is dependent upon our ability to successfully expand our distribution network capacity, and failure to achieve or sustain these plans could affect our performance adversely.***

We maintain a distribution center in New Castle, Delaware and during fiscal 2012, we signed a lease for a new distribution center in Olive Branch, Mississippi to support our growth objectives, which is now fully operational. Delays in opening new distribution centers in the future could adversely affect our future operations by slowing store growth, which could in turn reduce sales growth. In addition, any distribution-related construction or expansion projects entail risks which could cause delays and cost overruns, such as: shortages of materials; shortages of skilled labor or work stoppages; unforeseen construction, scheduling, engineering, environmental or geological problems; weather interference; fires or other casualty losses; and unanticipated cost increases. The completion date and ultimate cost of future projects could differ significantly from initial expectations due to construction-related or other reasons. We cannot guarantee that any project will be completed on



time or within established budgets.

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***A significant disruption to our distribution network or to the timely receipt of inventory could adversely impact sales or increase our transportation costs, which would decrease our profits.***

We currently rely primarily on our distribution center in New Castle, Delaware to distribute our products. Because most of our products are distributed from this center, the loss of our distribution center, due to natural disaster or otherwise, would materially affect our operations. We also rely upon independent third-party transportation to provide goods to our stores in a timely and cost-effective manner, through deliveries to our distribution centers from vendors and then from the distribution centers or direct ship vendors to our stores. Our use of outside delivery services for shipments is subject to risks outside of our control and any disruption, unanticipated expense or operational failure related to this process could affect store operations negatively. For example, unexpected delivery delays or increases in transportation costs (including through increased fuel costs or a decrease in transportation capacity for overseas shipments) could significantly decrease our ability to generate sales and earn profits. In addition, labor shortages or work stoppages in the transportation industry or long-term disruptions to the national and international transportation infrastructure that lead to delays or interruptions of deliveries could negatively affect our business. If we change shipping companies, we could face logistical difficulties that could adversely impact deliveries and we would incur costs and expend resources in connection with such change. Moreover, we may not be able to obtain terms as favorable as those received from the independent third-party transportation providers we currently use, which would increase our costs.

***Inability to attract and retain qualified employees, particularly senior management and district, store and distribution center managers, and to control labor costs, as well as other labor issues, could adversely affect our business.***

Our growth could be adversely impacted by our inability to attract, retain and motivate qualified employees at the store operations level, in distribution facilities, and at the corporate level, at costs which allow us to profitably conduct our operations. Our ability to meet our labor needs, while controlling our labor costs, is subject to many external factors, including competition for and availability of qualified personnel in a given market, unemployment levels within those markets, prevailing wage rates, minimum wage laws, health and other insurance costs, and changes in employment and labor laws (including changes in the process for our employees to join a union) or other workplace regulation. To the extent a significant portion of our employee base unionizes, or attempts to unionize, our labor costs could increase. In addition, we believe the current pricing of our healthcare costs includes the potential future impact of recently enacted comprehensive healthcare reform legislation, but such legislation may further cause our healthcare costs to increase. While significant costs of the healthcare reform legislation may occur after 2013 due to provisions of the legislation being phased in over time, changes to our healthcare costs structure could have a significant negative effect on our business. In addition, our ability to pass along any increase in labor costs to our customers is constrained by our low price model.

***Our growth from existing stores is dependent upon our ability to increase sales and improve the efficiencies, costs and effectiveness of our operations, and failure to achieve or sustain these plans could affect our performance adversely.***

Increases in sales in existing stores are dependent on factors such as competition, merchandise selection, store operations and customer satisfaction. If we fail to realize our goals of successfully managing our store operations and increasing our customer retention and recruitment levels, our sales may not increase and our growth may be impacted adversely.

***Our success depends on our executive officers and other key personnel. If we lose our executive officers or any other key personnel, or are unable to hire additional qualified personnel, our business could be harmed.***

Our future success depends to a significant degree on the skills, experience and efforts of our executive officers and other key personnel, including Messrs. Schlessinger and Vellios, our founders. The loss of the services of any of our executive officers or other key personnel could have an adverse effect on our operations.

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Our future success will also depend on our ability to attract, retain and motivate qualified personnel, as a failure to attract these key personnel could have an adverse effect on our operations. We do not currently maintain key person life insurance policies with respect to our executive officers or key personnel.

***Our cash flows from operations may be negatively affected if we are not successful in managing our inventory balances and inventory shrinkage.***

Our inventory balance represented approximately 32% of our total assets as of February 2, 2013. Efficient inventory management is a key component of our business success and profitability. To be successful, we must maintain sufficient inventory levels to meet our customers demands without allowing those levels to increase to such an extent that the costs to store and hold the goods unduly impacts our financial results. If our buying decisions do not accurately predict customer trends or purchasing actions, we may have to take unanticipated markdowns to dispose of excess inventory, which also can adversely impact our financial results. We also experience inventory shrinkage, and we cannot assure you that incidences of inventory loss and theft will stay at acceptable levels or decrease in the future, or that the measures we are taking will effectively address the problem of inventory shrinkage. We continue to focus on ways to reduce these risks, but we cannot assure you that we will be successful in our inventory management. If we are not successful in managing our inventory balances, our cash flows from operations may be negatively affected.

***Our business requires that we lease substantial amounts of space and there can be no assurance that we will be able to continue to lease space on terms as favorable as the leases negotiated in the past.***

We do not own any real estate. Instead, we lease all of our store locations, as well as our corporate headquarters and distribution facilities in New Castle, Delaware and Olive Branch, Mississippi. Our stores are leased from third parties, with typical initial lease terms of five to ten years. Many of our lease agreements also have additional five-year renewal options. We believe that we have been able to negotiate favorable rental rates and tenant allowances over the last few years due in large part to the state of the economy and higher than usual vacancy rates in shopping centers and regional malls. These trends may not continue, and there is no guarantee that we will be able to continue to negotiate such favorable terms. Many of our lease agreements have defined escalating rent provisions over the initial term and any extensions. Increases in our occupancy costs and difficulty in identifying economically suitable new store locations could have significant negative consequences, which include:

requiring that a greater portion of our available cash be applied to pay our rental obligations, thus reducing cash available for other purposes and reducing our profitability;

increasing our vulnerability to general adverse economic and industry conditions; and

limiting our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to changes in, our business or in the industry in which we compete.

We depend on cash flow from operations to pay our lease expenses and to fulfill our other cash needs. If our business does not generate sufficient cash flow from operating activities to fund these expenses and needs and sufficient funds are not otherwise available to us, we may not be able to service our lease expenses, grow our business, respond to competitive challenges or fund our other liquidity and capital needs, which could harm our business. Additional sites that we lease may be subject to long-term non-cancelable leases if we are unable to negotiate our current standard lease terms. If an existing or future store is not profitable, and we decide to close it, we may nonetheless be committed to perform our obligations under the applicable lease including, among other things, paying the base rent for the balance of the lease term. Moreover, even if a lease has an early cancellation clause, we may not satisfy the contractual requirements for early cancellation under that lease. In addition, if we are not able to enter into new leases or renew existing leases on terms acceptable to us, this could have an adverse effect on our results of operations.

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***We operate in a competitive environment and, as a result, we may not be able to compete effectively or maintain or increase our sales, market shares or margins.***

We operate in a highly competitive retail environment with numerous competitors, some of which have greater resources or better brand recognition than we do. We compete with respect to customers, price, store location, merchandise quality, assortment and presentation, in-stock consistency, customer service and employees. This competitive environment subjects us to various risks, including the ability to provide quality, trend-right merchandise to our customers at competitive prices that allow us to maintain our profitability. Because of our low price model, we may have limited ability to increase prices in response to increased costs without losing competitive position which may adversely affect our margins and financial performance. In addition, price reductions by our competitors may result in the reduction of our prices and a corresponding reduction in our profitability.

Consolidation among retailers, changes in pricing of merchandise or offerings of other services by competitors could have a negative impact on the relative attractiveness of our stores to consumers. We do not possess exclusive rights to many of the elements that comprise our in-store experience and product offerings. Our competitors may seek to copy our business strategy and in-store experience, which could result in a reduction of any competitive advantage or special appeal that we might possess. In addition, most of our products are sold to us on a non-exclusive basis. As a result, our current and future competitors may be able to duplicate or improve on some or all of our in-store experience or product offerings that we believe are important in differentiating our stores and our customers' shopping experience. If our competitors were to duplicate or improve on some or all of our in-store experience or product offerings, our competitive position and our business could suffer. Our ability to provide quality, trend-right products while offering attractive, competitively-priced products could be impacted by various actions of our competitors that are beyond our control.

***Our profitability is vulnerable to inflation, cost increases and energy prices.***

Future increases in costs such as the cost of merchandise, shipping rates, freight costs, fuel costs and store occupancy costs may reduce our profitability, particularly given our \$5 and below pricing model. These cost increases may be the result of inflationary pressures that could further reduce our sales or profitability. Increases in other operating costs, including changes in energy prices, wage rates and lease and utility costs, may increase our cost of goods sold or operating expenses. Our low price model and competitive pressures in our industry may have the effect of inhibiting our ability to reflect these increased costs in the prices of our products and therefore reduce our profitability.

***Our business is seasonal, and adverse events during the holiday season could impact our operating results negatively.***

Our business is seasonal, with the highest percentage of sales (approximately 42% of total annual sales over the last two fiscal years) occurring during the last fiscal quarter (November, December and January), which includes the holiday season. We purchase substantial amounts of inventory in the end of the third quarter (October) and beginning of the fourth quarter (November and December) and incur higher shipping costs and higher payroll costs in anticipation of the increased sales activity during these time periods. Adverse events, such as deteriorating economic conditions, higher unemployment, higher gas prices, public transportation disruptions or unusual weather could result in lower-than-planned sales during the holiday season which may lead to unanticipated markdowns. Since we rely on third parties for transportation and use third party warehouses when we build up inventory, a number of these factors are outside of our control. An unsuccessful fourth quarter, or holiday season, will have a substantial negative impact on our financial condition and results of operations for the entire fiscal year.

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***Material damage to, or interruptions to, our technology systems as a result of external factors, staffing shortages and difficulties in updating our existing technology or developing or implementing new technology could have a material adverse effect on our business or results of operations.***

We depend on a variety of information technology systems for the efficient functioning of our business. Such systems are subject to damage or interruption from power outages, computer and telecommunications failures, computer viruses, security breaches and natural disasters. Damage or interruption to these systems may require a significant investment to fix or replace them, and we may suffer interruptions in our operations in the interim. Any material interruptions may have a material adverse effect on our business or results of operations.

We also rely heavily on our information technology staff. Failure to meet these staffing needs may negatively affect our ability to fulfill our technology initiatives while continuing to provide maintenance on existing systems. We rely on certain vendors to maintain and periodically upgrade many of these systems so that they can continue to support our business. The software programs supporting many of our systems were licensed to us by independent software developers. The inability of these developers or us to continue to maintain and upgrade these information systems and software programs would disrupt or reduce the efficiency of our operations if we are unable to convert to alternate systems in an efficient and timely manner. In addition, costs and potential problems and interruptions associated with the implementation of new or upgraded systems and technology, or with maintenance or adequate support of existing systems could also disrupt or reduce the efficiency of our operations.

***Failure to maintain adequate financial and management processes and controls could lead to errors in our financial reporting, which could harm our business and cause a decline in our stock price.***

Reporting obligations as a public company and our anticipated growth are likely to place a considerable strain on our financial and management systems, processes and controls, as well as on our personnel. In addition, as a public company, in the future we will be required to document and test our internal controls over financial reporting pursuant to Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 so that our management can certify the effectiveness of our internal controls and our independent registered public accounting firm can render an opinion on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. As a result, we may be required to incur substantial expenses to test our systems, to make any necessary improvements, and to hire additional personnel. If our management is unable to certify the effectiveness of our internal controls or if our independent registered public accounting firm cannot render an opinion on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting, or if material weaknesses in our internal controls are identified, we could be subject to regulatory scrutiny and a loss of public confidence, which could harm our business and cause a decline in our stock price. In addition, if we do not maintain adequate financial and management personnel, processes and controls, we may not be able to accurately report our financial performance on a timely basis, which could cause a decline in our stock price and harm our ability to raise capital. Failure to accurately report our financial performance on a timely basis could also jeopardize our continued listing on The NASDAQ Global Select Market or any other stock exchange on which our common stock may be listed. Delisting of our common stock on any exchange could reduce the liquidity of the market for our common stock, which could reduce the price of our stock and increase the volatility of our stock price.

***Our ability to obtain additional financing on favorable terms, if needed, could be adversely affected by volatility in the capital markets.***

We obtain and manage liquidity from the positive cash flow we generate from our operating activities, our access to capital markets and our revolving credit facility. There is no assurance that our ability to obtain additional financing from financial institutions or through the capital markets, if needed, will not be adversely impacted by economic conditions. Tightening in the credit markets, low liquidity and volatility in the capital markets could result in diminished availability of credit, higher cost of borrowing and lack of confidence in the equity market, making it more difficult to obtain additional financing on terms that are favorable to us.

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***If we are unable to secure our customers' confidential or credit card information, or other private data relating to our employees or our Company, we could be subject to negative publicity, costly government enforcement actions or private litigation, which could damage our business reputation and adversely affect our financial results.***

The protection of our customer, employee and company data is critical to us. We have procedures and technology in place to safeguard our customers' debit and credit card, and other personal information, our employees' private data and company records and intellectual property. However, if we experience a data security breach of any kind, we could be exposed to negative publicity, government enforcement actions, private litigation or costly response measures. In addition, our reputation within the business community and with our customers may be affected, which could result in our customers discontinuing the use of debit or credit cards in our stores, or not shopping in our stores altogether. This could cause us to lose market share to our competitors and could have an adverse effect on our financial results.

***We are exposed to the risk of natural disasters, unusual weather conditions, pandemic outbreaks, global political events, war and terrorism that could disrupt business and result in lower sales, increased operating costs and capital expenditures.***

Our headquarters, store locations and distribution centers, as well as certain of our vendors and customers, are located in areas which have been and could be subject to natural disasters such as floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, fires or earthquakes. Adverse weather conditions or other extreme changes in the weather, including resulting electrical and technological failures, may disrupt our business and may adversely affect our ability to sell and distribute products. For example, as a result of Superstorm Sandy in October 2012, we experienced closures in 122 of our stores. In addition, we operate in markets that may be susceptible to pandemic outbreaks, war, terrorist acts or disruptive global political events, such as civil unrest in countries from which our vendors are located or products are manufactured. Our business may be harmed if our ability to sell and distribute products is impacted by any such events, any of which could influence customer trends and purchases and may negatively impact our net sales, properties or operations. Such events could result in physical damage to one or more of our properties, the temporary closure of some or all of our stores or distribution centers, the temporary lack of an adequate work force in a market, temporary or long-term disruption in the transport of goods, delay in the delivery of goods to our distribution centers or stores, disruption of our technology support or information systems, or fuel shortages or dramatic increases in fuel prices, which increase the cost of doing business. These events also can have indirect consequences such as increases in the costs of insurance if they result in significant loss of property or other insurable damage. Any of these factors, or combination thereof, could adversely affect our operations.

***Current economic conditions and other economic factors could adversely impact our financial performance and other aspects of our business in various respects.***

A delayed recovery in the U.S. economy or other economic factors affecting disposable consumer income, such as employment levels, inflation, business conditions, fuel and energy costs, consumer debt levels, lack of available credit, interest rates, tax rates and further erosion in consumer confidence may affect our business adversely. Such factors could reduce overall consumer spending or cause customers to shift their spending to products other than those sold by us or to products sold by us that are less profitable than other product choices, all of which could result in lower net sales, decreases in inventory turnover or a reduction in profitability due to lower margins. We have limited or no ability to control many of these factors. The current global economic uncertainty, the impact of recessions and the potential for failures or realignments of financial institutions and the related impact on available credit may impact us, our vendors and other business partners, our landlords, our customers, our service providers and our operations in an adverse manner.

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***Changes in state or federal legislation or regulations, including the effects of legislation and regulations on product and food safety and quality, wage levels, employee rights, health care, social welfare and entitlement programs could increase our cost of doing business.***

Our business is subject to numerous federal, state and local laws and regulations. We routinely incur costs in complying with these laws and regulations. We are exposed to the risk that federal, state or local legislation may negatively impact our operations. Changes in product and food safety and quality (including changes in labeling or disclosure requirements), federal or state wage requirements, employee rights (including changes in the process for our employees to join a union), health care, social welfare or entitlement programs such as health insurance, paid leave programs, or other changes in workplace regulation or tax laws could adversely impact our ability to achieve our financial targets. Changes in other regulatory areas, such as consumer credit, privacy and information security, or environmental regulation may result in significant added expenses or may require extensive system and operating changes that may be difficult to implement and/or could materially increase our costs of doing business. Untimely compliance or noncompliance with applicable laws and regulations may subject us to legal risk, including government enforcement action, significant fines and penalties and class action litigation, as well as reputational damage, which could adversely affect our results of operations.

***Litigation may adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.***

Our business is subject to the risk of litigation by employees, consumers, vendors, competitors, intellectual property rights holders, shareholders, government agencies and others through private actions, class actions, administrative proceedings, regulatory actions or other litigation. The outcome of litigation, particularly class action lawsuits, regulatory actions and intellectual property claims, is difficult to assess or quantify. Plaintiffs in these types of lawsuits may seek recovery of very large or indeterminate amounts, and the magnitude of the potential loss relating to these lawsuits may remain unknown for substantial periods of time. In addition, certain of these lawsuits, if decided adversely to us or settled by us, may result in liability material to our financial statements as a whole or may negatively affect our operating results if changes to our business operation are required. The cost to defend future litigation may be significant. There also may be adverse publicity associated with litigation that could negatively affect customer perception of our business, regardless of whether the allegations are valid or whether we are ultimately found liable. As a result, litigation may adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

***If we fail to protect our brand name, competitors may adopt trade names that dilute the value of our brand name.***

We may be unable or unwilling to strictly enforce our trademarks in each jurisdiction in which we do business. Also, we may not always be able to successfully enforce our trademarks against competitors, or against challenges by others. Our failure to successfully protect our trademarks could diminish the value and efficacy of our brand recognition and could cause customer confusion, which could, in turn, adversely affect our sales and profitability.

***Our management has limited experience managing a public company and our current resources may not be sufficient to fulfill our public company obligations.***

We are subject to various regulatory requirements, including those of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC. These requirements include record keeping, financial reporting and corporate governance rules and regulations. Our management team has limited experience in managing a public company and, historically, has not had the resources typically found in a public company. Our internal infrastructure may not be adequate to support our increased reporting obligations and we may be unable to hire, train or retain necessary staff and may be reliant on engaging outside consultants or professionals to overcome our lack of experience or employees. Our business could be adversely affected if our internal infrastructure is inadequate, we are unable to engage outside consultants or are otherwise unable to fulfill our public company obligations.

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***Product and food safety claims and the effects of legislation and regulations on product and food safety and quality could affect our sales and results of operations adversely.***

We may be subject to product liability claims from customers or actions required or penalties assessed by government agencies relating to products, including food products that are recalled, defective or otherwise alleged to be harmful. Such claims may result from tampering by unauthorized third parties, product contamination or spoilage, including the presence of foreign objects, substances, chemicals, other agents, or residues introduced during the growing, storage, handling and transportation phases. All of our vendors and their products are contractually required to comply with applicable product and food safety laws. We generally seek contractual indemnification and insurance coverage from our vendors. However, if we do not have adequate contractual indemnification and/or insurance available, such claims could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Our ability to obtain indemnification from foreign vendors may be hindered by the manufacturers' lack of understanding of U.S. product liability or other laws, which may make it more likely that we be required to respond to claims or complaints from customers as if we were the manufacturer of the products. Even with adequate insurance and indemnification, such claims could significantly damage our reputation and consumer confidence in our products. Our litigation expenses could increase as well, which also could have a materially negative impact on our results of operations even if a product liability claim is unsuccessful or is not fully pursued.

We purchase a portion of our products on a closeout basis. Some of these products are obtained through brokers or intermediaries rather than through manufacturers. The closeout nature of a portion of our products sometimes makes it more difficult for us to investigate all aspects of these products. We attempt to assure compliance and to test products when appropriate, and we seek to obtain indemnification through our vendors or to be listed as an additional insured, but there is no assurance that these efforts will be successful.

***As a result of our IPO, we now incur significant expenses as a result of being a public company, which negatively impact our financial performance and could cause our results of operations and financial condition to suffer.***

In July 2012 we completed our IPO. As a result, we are now required to incur significant legal, accounting, insurance, compliance and other expenses as a result of being a public company. We are obligated to file annual and quarterly information and other reports with the SEC. In addition, we also became subject to other reporting and corporate governance requirements which impose significant compliance obligations upon us. The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, together with related rules implemented by the SEC and by The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC, have imposed increased regulation and disclosure and have required enhanced corporate governance practices of public companies. Our efforts to comply with these laws, rules and regulations, including compliance with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act as discussed in Failure to maintain adequate financial and management processes and controls could lead to errors in our financial reporting, which could harm our business and cause a decline in our stock price above, substantially increase our expenses, including our legal and accounting costs, and make some activities more time-consuming and costly. We also expect these laws, rules and regulations to make it more expensive for us to obtain director and officer liability insurance, and we may be required to accept reduced policy limits and coverage or incur substantially higher costs to obtain the same or similar coverage. As a result, it may be more difficult for us to attract and retain qualified persons to serve on our board of directors or as officers. As a result of the foregoing, we have begun to incur substantial increases in legal, accounting and insurance compliance and we expect to incur certain other expenses in the future, which will negatively impact our financial performance and could cause our results of operations and financial condition to suffer.



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*The terms of our term loan facility and our revolving credit facility may restrict our current and future operations, which could adversely affect our ability to respond to changes in our business and to manage our operations.*

Our term loan facility and our revolving credit facility contain, and any additional debt financing we may incur would likely contain, covenants requiring us to maintain or adhere to certain financial ratios or limits and covenants that restrict our operations, which may include limitations on our ability to, among other things:

incur additional indebtedness;

pay dividends and make certain distributions, investments and other restricted payments;

create certain liens or encumbrances;

enter into transactions with our affiliates;

redeem our common stock; and

engage in certain merger, consolidation or asset sale transactions.

Complying with these covenants could adversely affect our ability to respond to changes in our business and manage our operations. In addition, these covenants could affect our ability to invest capital in our new stores and fund capital expenditures for existing stores, including the costs associated with the conversion of certain stores existing before fiscal 2009 to our current prototype size. Our ability to comply with these covenants and other provisions in the term loan facility, the revolving credit facility and any future debt instruments may be affected by changes in our operating and financial performance, changes in general business and economic conditions, adverse regulatory developments, or other events beyond our control. A failure by us to comply with the financial ratios and restrictive covenants contained in our term loan facility, revolving credit facility and any future debt instruments could result in an event of default. Upon the occurrence of an event of default, the lenders could elect to declare all amounts outstanding to be due and payable and exercise other remedies as set forth in our term loan facility, revolving credit facility and any future debt instruments. In addition, if we are in default, we may be unable to borrow additional amounts under any such facilities to the extent that they would otherwise be available and our ability to obtain future financing may also be impacted negatively. If the indebtedness under our term loan facility, revolving credit facility and any future debt instruments were to be accelerated, our future financial condition could be materially adversely affected.

*There are material limitations with making estimates of our results for current or prior periods prior to the completion of our normal review procedures for such periods.*

The estimated results contained in Prospectus Summary Recent Developments are not a comprehensive statement of our financial results for the quarter ended May 4, 2013. Our financial statements for the quarter ended May 4, 2013 will not be available until after this offering is completed and, consequently, will not be available to you prior to investing in this offering. The final financial results for the quarter ended May 4, 2013, may vary from our expectations and may be materially different from the preliminary financial estimates we have provided due to completion of quarterly closing procedures, final adjustments and other developments that may arise between now and the time the financial results for this period are finalized and our financial statements are issued. Accordingly, investors should not place undue reliance on such financial information.

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**Risks Related to This Offering and Ownership of Our Common Stock**

*Our stock price may be volatile or may decline regardless of our operating performance, and you may not be able to resell your shares at or above the public offering price.*

Shares of our common stock were sold in our IPO in July 2012 at a price of \$17.00 per share, and our common stock has subsequently traded as high as \$40.00 and as low as \$25.00 during the period from our IPO to February 2, 2013. An active, liquid and orderly market for our common stock may not be sustained, which could depress the trading price of our common stock. In addition, broad market and industry factors, most of which we cannot control, may harm the price of our common stock, regardless of our actual operating performance. Factors that could cause fluctuation in the price of our common stock may include, among other things:

actual or anticipated fluctuations in quarterly operating results or other operating metrics, such as comparable store sales, that may be used by the investment community;

changes in financial estimates by us or by any securities analysts who might cover our stock;

speculation about our business in the press or the investment community;

conditions or trends affecting our industry or the economy generally;

stock market price and volume fluctuations of other publicly traded companies and, in particular, those that are in the retail industry;

announcements by us or our competitors of new product offerings, significant acquisitions, strategic partnerships or divestitures;

our entry into new markets;

timing of new store openings;

percentage of sales from new stores versus established stores;

additions or departures of key personnel;

actual or anticipated sales of our common stock, including sales by our directors, officers or significant shareholders;

significant developments relating to our relationships with business partners, vendors and distributors;

customer purchases of new products from us and our competitors;

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investor perceptions of the retail industry in general and our Company in particular;

major catastrophic events;

volatility in our stock price, which may lead to higher stock-based compensation expense under applicable accounting standards; and

changes in accounting standards, policies, guidance, interpretation or principles.

In the past, securities class action litigation has often been instituted against companies following periods of volatility in their stock price. This type of litigation, even if it does not result in liability for us, could result in substantial costs to us and divert management's attention and resources.

***Future sales of our common stock, or the perception in the public markets that these sales may occur, may depress our stock price.***

The market price of our common stock could decline significantly as a result of sales of a large number of shares of our common stock in the market after this offering. The sales, or the perception that these sales might occur, could depress the market price of our common stock. These sales, or the possibility that these sales may occur, also might make it more difficult for us to sell equity securities in the future at a time and at a price that we deem appropriate.

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Upon the closing of this offering, we will have approximately 54,019,137 shares of common stock outstanding. All of these shares will be freely tradable without restriction under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, except for any shares of common stock that may be held or acquired by our directors, executive officers and other affiliates, as that term is defined in the Securities Act, which will be restricted securities under the Securities Act. Restricted securities may not be sold in the public market unless the sale is registered under the Securities Act or an exemption from registration is available. In addition, pursuant to our amended and restated investor rights agreement, certain of our investors have rights to require us to file registration statements registering additional sales of shares of common stock or to include sales of such shares of common stock in registration statements that we may file for ourselves or other shareholders. In order to exercise these registration rights, these shareholders must satisfy certain conditions. Subject to compliance with applicable lock-up restrictions, shares of common stock sold under these registration statements can be freely sold in the public market. In the event such registration rights are exercised and a large number of shares of common stock are sold in the public market, such sales could reduce the trading price of our common stock. These sales also could impede our ability to raise future capital. Additionally, we will bear all expenses in connection with any such registrations (other than stock transfer taxes and underwriting discounts or commissions). See *Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions Amended and Restated Investor Rights Agreement*.

We and certain holders of our common stock outstanding on the date of this prospectus, including each of our executive officers, directors and selling shareholders, have agreed with the underwriters, that for a period of 90 days after the date of this prospectus, we or they will not offer, sell, contract to sell, pledge, grant any option to purchase, make any short sale, or otherwise dispose of or hedge any shares of our common stock, or any options or warrants to purchase any shares of our common stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares of common stock, subject to specified exceptions. The representatives of the underwriters may, in their discretion, at any time without prior notice, release all or any portion of the shares from the restrictions in any such agreement. See *Underwriting* for more information. Substantially all of our shares of common stock outstanding as of the date of this prospectus may be sold in the public market by existing shareholders 90 days after the date of this prospectus, subject to the lock-up agreement and applicable volume and other limitations imposed under federal securities laws. See *Shares Eligible for Future Sale* for a more detailed description of the restrictions on selling shares of our common stock after this offering. Sales by our existing shareholders of a substantial number of shares in the public market, or the perception that these sales might occur, could cause the market price of our common stock to decrease significantly.

In the future, we may also issue our securities in connection with investments or acquisitions. The number of shares of our common stock issued in connection with an investment or acquisition could constitute a material portion of our then-outstanding shares of our common stock. Any issuance of additional securities in connection with investments or acquisitions may result in additional dilution to you.

***Insiders will continue to have substantial control over us after this offering, which could limit your ability to influence the outcome of key transactions, including a change of control.***

Upon the closing of this offering, funds managed by Advent will control an aggregate of 18.9% of the voting power of our outstanding common stock or 16.9% if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares in this offering. As a result, Advent would be able to exert significant influence over matters requiring approval by our shareholders, including the election of directors and the approval of mergers, acquisitions and other extraordinary transactions. It may also have interests that differ from yours and may vote in a way with which you disagree and which may be adverse to your interests. This concentration of ownership may have the effect of delaying, preventing or deterring a change of control of Five Below, could deprive our shareholders of an opportunity to receive a premium for their common stock as part of a sale of Five Below and might ultimately affect the market price of our common stock.

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*Certain of our existing investors have interests and positions that could present potential conflicts with our and our shareholders' interests.*

Advent makes investments in companies and may, from time to time, acquire and hold interests in businesses that compete directly or indirectly with us. Advent may also pursue, for its own accounts, acquisition opportunities that may be complementary to our business, and as a result, those acquisition opportunities may not be available to us. Our second amended and restated shareholders agreement, as amended, contains provisions renouncing any interest or expectancy held by our directors affiliated with Advent in certain corporate opportunities. Accordingly, the interests of Advent may supersede ours, causing them or their affiliates to compete against us or to pursue opportunities instead of us, for which we have no recourse. Such actions on the part of Advent and inaction on our part could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

*Your percentage ownership in us may be diluted by future equity issuances, which could reduce your influence over matters on which shareholders vote.*

Our board of directors has the authority, without action or vote of our shareholders, to issue all or any part of our authorized but unissued shares of common stock, including shares issuable upon the exercise of options, shares that may be issued to satisfy our obligations under our equity incentive plan or shares of our authorized but unissued preferred stock. We have reserved 7,600,000 shares of common stock under our equity incentive plan for future issuances and, as of May 6, 2013, 1,218,443 shares of our common stock are issuable upon the exercise of options outstanding. We have also reserved 500,000 shares of common stock under our employee stock purchase plan for future issuances, which plan remains subject to shareholder approval. Exercises of these options or issuances of common stock or preferred stock could reduce your influence over matters on which our shareholders vote and, in the case of issuances of preferred stock, likely could result in your interest in us being subject to the prior rights of holders of that preferred stock.

*We do not expect to pay any cash dividends for the foreseeable future.*

For the foreseeable future, we intend to retain any earnings to finance the development and expansion of our business, and we do not anticipate paying any cash dividends on our common stock. Any determination to pay dividends in the future will be at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend upon results of operations, financial condition, contractual restrictions, including under agreements for indebtedness we may incur, restrictions imposed by applicable law and other factors our board of directors deems relevant. Accordingly, if you purchase shares in this offering, realization of a gain on your investment will depend on the appreciation of the price of our common stock, which may never occur. Investors seeking cash dividends in the foreseeable future should not purchase our common stock.

*If securities or industry analysts do not publish research or continue to publish or publish inaccurate or unfavorable research about our business, our stock price and trading volume could decline.*

The trading market for our common stock is influenced by the research and reports that industry or securities analysts publish about us or our business. If one or more of these analysts ceases coverage of our Company or fails to publish reports on us regularly, we could lose visibility in the financial markets, which in turn could cause our stock price or trading volume to decline. Moreover, if our operating results do not meet the expectations of the investor community, or one or more of the analysts who cover our Company downgrade our stock, our stock price could decline.

*Anti-takeover provisions could delay and discourage takeover attempts that shareholders may consider to be favorable.*

Certain provisions of our amended and restated articles of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws and applicable provisions of Pennsylvania law may make it more difficult or impossible for a third party to acquire control of us or effect a change in our board of directors and management.

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In particular, these provisions, among other things:

provide that only the chairman of the board of directors, the chief executive officer or a majority of the board of directors may call special meetings of the shareholders;

classify our board of directors into three separate classes with staggered terms;

provide for supermajority approval requirements for amending or repealing provisions in our amended and restated articles of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws;

establish certain advance notice procedures for nominations of candidates for election as directors and for shareholder proposals to be considered at shareholders' meetings; and

permit the board of directors, without further action of the shareholders, to issue and fix the terms of preferred stock, which may have rights senior to those of the common stock.

In addition, anti-takeover provisions in Pennsylvania law could make it more difficult for a third party to acquire control of us. These provisions could adversely affect the market price of our common stock and could reduce the amount that shareholders might receive if we are sold. For example, Pennsylvania law may restrict a third party's ability to obtain control of us and may prevent shareholders from receiving a premium for their shares of our common stock. Pennsylvania law also provides that our shareholders are not entitled by statute to propose amendments to our articles of incorporation.

These and other provisions of Pennsylvania law and our amended and restated articles of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws could delay, defer or prevent us from experiencing a change of control or changes in our board of directors and management and may adversely affect our shareholders' voting and other rights. Any delay or prevention of a change of control transaction or changes in our board of directors and management could deter potential acquirors or prevent the completion of a transaction in which our shareholders could receive a substantial premium over the then current market price for their shares of our common stock.

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**SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

Some of the statements contained in this prospectus constitute forward-looking statements, including in the sections captioned Prospectus Summary, Risk Factors, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Business, pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements relate to expectations, beliefs, projections, future plans and strategies, anticipated events or trends and similar expressions concerning matters that are not historical facts or present facts or conditions, such as statements regarding our future financial condition or results of operations, our prospects and strategies for future growth, the introduction of new merchandise, and the implementation of our marketing and branding strategies. In many cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terms such as may, will, should, expects, plans, anticipates, believes, estimates, predicts, negative of these terms or other comparable terminology.

The forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus reflect our views as of the date of this prospectus about future events and are subject to risks, uncertainties, assumptions and changes in circumstances that may cause events or our actual activities or results to differ significantly from those expressed in any forward-looking statement. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future events, results, actions, levels of activity, performance or achievements. A number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated by the forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to, those factors described in Risk Factors and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. These factors include without limitation:

*failure to successfully implement our growth strategy;*

*disruptions in our ability to select, obtain, distribute and market merchandise profitably;*

*our ability to successfully expand our distribution network capacity;*

*disruptions to our distribution network or the timely receipt of inventory;*

*inability to attract and retain qualified employees;*

*ability to increase sales and improve the efficiencies, costs and effectiveness of our operations;*

*our dependence on our executive officers and other key personnel or our inability to hire additional qualified personnel;*

*our ability to successfully manage our inventory balances and inventory shrinkage;*

*our lease obligations;*

*changes in our competitive environment, including increased competition from other retailers;*

*increasing costs due to inflation, increased operating costs or energy prices;*

*the seasonality of our business;*

*disruptions to our information technology systems in the ordinary course or as a result of system upgrades;*

*our failure to maintain adequate internal controls;*

*our ability to obtain additional financing;*

*failure to secure customers' confidential or credit card information, or other private data relating to our employees or our company;*

*natural disasters, unusual weather conditions, pandemic outbreaks, global political events, war and terrorism;*



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*current economic conditions and other economic factors;*

*the impact of governmental laws and regulations and the outcomes of legal proceedings;*

*our inability to protect our brand name, trademarks and other intellectual property rights;*

*increased costs as a result of being a public company;*

*restrictions imposed by our indebtedness on our current and future operations; and*

*material limitations with making estimates of our results for periods prior to the completion of the period and/or normal review procedures for such periods.*

Readers are urged to consider these factors carefully in evaluating the forward-looking statements and are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. All of the forward-looking statements we have included in this prospectus are based on information available to us on the date of this prospectus. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as otherwise required by law.

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**USE OF PROCEEDS**

The selling shareholders, which include certain of our affiliates, will receive all of the proceeds from this offering, and we will not receive any proceeds from the sale of shares in this offering. See Principal and Selling Shareholders.

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On May 15, 2012, we declared and subsequently paid on May 16, 2012 a special dividend of \$2.02 per share on shares of our common stock and on an as-converted basis on shares of our Series A 8% convertible preferred stock totaling approximately \$99.5 million, which we refer to as the 2012 Dividend.

Other than the 2012 Dividend, in the past two fiscal years we have not declared, and currently do not plan to declare in the foreseeable future, dividends on shares of our common stock. We currently intend to retain any future earnings for use in the operation and expansion of our business. Any further determination to pay dividends on our capital stock will be at the discretion of our board of directors, subject to applicable laws, and will depend on our financial condition, results of operations, capital requirements, general business conditions and other factors that our board of directors considers relevant. In addition, the terms of our term loan facility and revolving credit facility contain restrictions on our ability to pay dividends.

**MARKET PRICE OF OUR COMMON STOCK**

Our common stock has been listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol **FIVE** since our IPO. Before then, there was no public market for our common stock. The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low sales prices of our common stock as reported by the NASDAQ Global Select Market:

<b>Fiscal 2012</b>	<b>High</b>	<b>Low</b>
Second Quarter (July 19, 2012 – July 28, 2012)	\$ 29.96	\$ 25.00
Third Quarter (July 29, 2012 – October 27, 2012)	\$ 40.00	\$ 28.70
Fourth Quarter (October 28, 2012 – February 2, 2013)	\$ 37.85	\$ 27.73

On May 10, 2013, the last reported sale price on the NASDAQ Global Select Market of our common stock was \$38.42 per share. As of May 6, 2013, we had approximately 98 holders of record of our common stock.

**Table of Contents****CAPITALIZATION**

The following table sets forth our capitalization as of February 2, 2013. In connection with this offering we will incur certain issuance costs, consisting of various registration, printing and professional service fees. We will expense these costs as incurred.

You should read this table together with the sections entitled "Use of Proceeds," "Selected Financial and Other Data" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and our financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus.

	<b>As of February 2, 2013</b> <b>(in thousands)</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 56,081
Long-term debt (including current maturities)	
Revolving line of credit(1)	\$
Notes payable	34,500
<b>Total long-term debt</b>	<b>34,500</b>
Shareholders' equity:	
Common stock, \$0.01 par value. Authorized 120,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding 53,980,797 shares	540
Additional paid-in capital	270,637
Accumulated deficit	(200,433)
<b>Total shareholders' equity</b>	<b>70,744</b>
<b>Total capitalization</b>	<b>\$ 105,244</b>

(1) At February 2, 2013, there was \$0.3 million outstanding on a letter of credit that was undrawn and excess availability was approximately \$19.7 million.

The number of shares of common stock outstanding set forth in the table above does not include:

1,187,817 shares of our common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options outstanding as of February 2, 2013 with a weighted average exercise price of \$10.43 per share; and

5,492,675 shares of our common stock reserved for future issuance under our equity incentive plan and employee stock purchase plan (which remains subject to shareholder approval) as of February 2, 2013.

**Table of Contents****SELECTED FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA**

The following tables present selected financial and other data as of and for the periods indicated. The selected statement of operations data for fiscal 2010, 2011 and 2012 and selected balance sheet data as of January 28, 2012 and February 2, 2013 have been derived from our financial statements audited by KPMG LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, included elsewhere in this prospectus. The selected statement of operations data for the fiscal years ended January 31, 2009, which we refer to as fiscal 2008, and January 30, 2010, which we refer to as fiscal 2009, and the selected balance sheet data as of January 31, 2009, January 30, 2010 and January 29, 2011 have been derived from our audited financial statements that have not been included in this prospectus. The historical results presented below are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for any future period. You should read this selected financial data in conjunction with the financial statements and accompanying notes and the information under Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations appearing elsewhere in this prospectus.

We operate on a fiscal calendar that results in a given fiscal year consisting of a 52- or 53-week period ending on the Saturday closest to January 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year. The reporting periods contained in our audited financial statements included in this prospectus contain 52 weeks of operations in fiscal 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011 and 53 weeks of operations in fiscal 2012.

	2008	2009	Fiscal Year 2010	2011	2012
	(in thousands, except total stores, share and per share data)				
<b>Statements of Operations Data:</b>					
Net sales	\$ 89,466	\$ 125,135	\$ 197,189	\$ 297,113	\$ 418,825
Cost of goods sold	64,155	85,040	131,046	192,252	268,989
Gross profit	25,311	40,095	66,143	104,861	149,836
Selling, general and administrative expenses(1)	26,930	33,217	54,339	78,640	112,182
Operating (loss) income	(1,619)	6,878	11,804	26,221	37,654
Interest expense (income), net	131	73	28	(16)	2,374
Loss on debt extinguishment					1,594
Other income					(408)
(Loss) income before income taxes	(1,750)	6,805	11,776	26,237	34,094
Income tax expense (benefit)		(4,853)	4,753	10,159	14,069
Net (loss) income	(1,750)	11,658	7,023	16,078	20,025
Dividend paid to preferred and unvested restricted shareholders					(65,403)
Series A 8% convertible preferred stock cumulative dividends			(4,507)	(15,913)	
Accretion of redeemable convertible preferred stock	(2,881)	(4,250)	(3,329)		
Net income attributable to participating securities		(3,365)		(109)	
Net income (loss) available to common shareholders	\$ (4,631)	\$ 4,043	\$ (813)	\$ 56	\$ (45,378)
<b>Per Share Data:</b>					
Basic (loss) income per common share(2)	\$ (0.62)	\$ 0.54	\$ (0.08)	\$	\$ (1.28)
Diluted (loss) income per common share(2)	\$ (0.62)	\$ 0.54	\$ (0.08)	\$	\$ (1.28)
Dividends declared per common share	\$	\$	\$ 13.24	\$	\$ 2.02
Weighted average shares outstanding:					
Basic Shares	7,417,727	7,452,811	9,672,195	15,903,599	35,444,200
Diluted Shares	7,417,727	7,452,811	9,672,195	15,904,108	35,444,200
Unaudited pro forma net income(3)					\$ 16,737
Unaudited pro forma net income attributable to participating securities(3)					(384)
Unaudited pro forma net income attributable to common shareholders(3)					\$ 16,353
Unaudited pro forma basic income per common share(3)					\$ 0.31
Unaudited pro forma diluted income per common share(3)					\$ 0.31
Unaudited pro forma weighted average shares outstanding:					

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Basic Shares	52,015,021
Diluted Shares	52,256,471

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	2008	2009	Fiscal Year 2010	2011	2012
	(in thousands, except total stores, share and per share data)				
<b>Statements of Cash Flows Data:</b>					
Net cash (used in) provided by:					
Operating activities	\$ 3,671	\$ 9,227	\$ 15,045	\$ 46,695	\$ 30,363
Investing activities	\$ (5,988)	\$ (7,285)	\$ (14,883)	\$ (18,558)	\$ (22,890)
Financing activities	\$ 10,900	\$ (145)	\$ (445)	\$ 1,003	\$ 7,315
<b>Other Operating and Financial Data:</b>					
Total stores at end of period	82	102	142	192	244
Comparable store sales growth	5.8%	12.1%	15.6%	7.9%	7.1%
Average net sales per store(4)	\$ 1,185	\$ 1,302	\$ 1,542	\$ 1,658	\$ 1,822
Capital expenditures	\$ 5,991	\$ 7,285	\$ 14,883	\$ 18,558	\$ 22,890
	January 31, 2009	January 30, 2010	As of January 29, 2011	January 28, 2012	February 2, 2013
	(in thousands)				
<b>Balance Sheet Data:</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,639	\$ 12,436	\$ 12,153	\$ 41,293	\$ 56,081
Total current assets	26,533	35,335	45,942	92,249	129,676
Total current liabilities	10,522	10,983	18,215	49,942	68,784
Total long-term debt, excluding current portion(5)(6)	122		250	250	19,500
Total liabilities	18,331	20,036	33,524	72,431	118,916
Series A 8% convertible preferred stock			191,855	191,855	
Series A redeemable convertible preferred stock	17,030	18,778			
Series A-1 redeemable convertible preferred stock	16,008	18,510			
Total shareholders' (deficit) equity	(8,879)	(1,049)	(148,797)	(129,759)	70,744

- (1) Fiscal 2010 includes \$5.3 million of expense related to the 2010 Transaction and fiscal 2011 includes \$6.1 million of non-contractual bonus to certain executive officers for performance in fiscal 2011 and associated tax expense. Fiscal 2012 includes \$10.5 million of stock-based compensation expense that relates to the cancellation of certain stock options, in exchange for the grant of restricted shares and on-going expense recognition of the awards over the remaining vesting period. In addition, fiscal 2012 includes \$1.0 million of expenses related to legal, accounting, and other fees in connection with our secondary public offering in January 2013.
- (2) Please see Note 2 in our annual financial statements, included elsewhere in this prospectus, for an explanation of per share calculations.
- (3) Pro forma information is unaudited and is prepared in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation S-X. Pro forma net income gives effect to: (i) the 2012 Dividend paid to our preferred shareholders and (ii) the Financing Transactions, including repayment of \$65.3 million of outstanding indebtedness under the new term loan facility with proceeds from our IPO.

The following is a reconciliation of historical net loss to unaudited pro forma net income:

	Fiscal Year 2012
Net loss available/attributable to common shareholders	\$ (45,378)
Add:	
Dividend paid to preferred shareholders	62,504
Less:	
Interest expense, net of tax	(324)
Amortization of deferred financing fees, net of tax	(65)
Unaudited pro forma net income	16,737
Unaudited pro forma net income attributable to participating securities	(384)
Unaudited pro forma net income attributable to common shareholders	\$ 16,353

Pro Forma per share data gives effect to (i) the Financing Transactions; (ii) the conversion of our outstanding shares of Series A 8% convertible preferred stock into shares of common stock in connection with the closing of the IPO and (iii) the number of shares whose proceeds were used to repay \$65.3 million of the outstanding indebtedness under the term loan facility.





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The following is a reconciliation of pro forma basic and diluted weighted average common shares outstanding:

	<b>Fiscal Year 2012</b>
Shares used in computing basic net loss per common share	35,444,200
Adjustment for conversion of preferred stock	14,739,641
Adjustment for shares used to repay outstanding indebtedness under the term loan facility	1,831,180
Unaudited basic pro forma weighted average common shares outstanding	52,015,021
Dilutive effect of securities	241,450
Unaudited diluted pro forma weighted average common shares outstanding	52,256,471

- (4) Only includes stores open during the full fiscal year.
- (5) Includes capital lease obligations, less current portion.
- (6) We plan to repay approximately \$15.0 million of principal on the term loan facility during fiscal 2013, which is classified as a current liability and not included in the long-term balance as of the end of fiscal 2012.

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

*You should read the following discussion together with Selected Financial and Other Data, and the financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. The statements in this discussion regarding expectations of our future performance, liquidity and capital resources and other non-historical statements are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, the risks and uncertainties described in Risk Factors and Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements. Our actual results may differ materially from those contained in or implied by any forward-looking statements.*

*We operate on a fiscal calendar widely used by the retail industry that results in a given fiscal year consisting of a 52- or 53-week period ending on the Saturday closest to January 31 of the following year. References to fiscal year 2013 or fiscal 2013 refer to the fiscal year ending February 1, 2014, references to fiscal year 2012 or fiscal 2012 refer to the fiscal year ended February 2, 2013, references to fiscal year 2011 or fiscal 2011 refer to the fiscal year ended January 28, 2012, and references to fiscal year 2010 or fiscal 2010 refer to the fiscal year ended January 29, 2011. Fiscal year 2012 consisted of a 53-week period and each of fiscal years 2011 and 2010 consisted of a 52-week period. Fiscal 2013 will also consist of a 52-week period. Historical results are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for any future period and results for any interim period may not necessarily be indicative of the results that may be expected for a full year.*

**Overview**

Five Below is a rapidly growing specialty value retailer offering a broad range of trend-right, high-quality merchandise targeted at the teen and pre-teen customer. We offer a dynamic, edited assortment of exciting products, all priced at \$5 and below, including select brands and licensed merchandise across our category worlds.

Five Below was founded in 2002 by our Executive Chairman, David Schlessinger, and our President and Chief Executive Officer, Thomas Vellios, who recognized a market need for a fun and affordable shopping destination aimed at teens and pre-teens aspiring to be young adults.

We believe that our business model has resulted in strong financial performance irrespective of the economic environment. Between fiscal 2010 and fiscal 2012, our net sales increased from \$197.2 million to \$418.8 million, representing a compound annual growth rate of 45.7%. Over the same period, our operating income increased from \$11.8 million to \$37.7 million, representing a compound annual growth rate of 78.6%. Our comparable store sales also increased by 15.6% in fiscal 2010, 7.9% in fiscal 2011 and 7.1% in fiscal 2012 with positive comparable store sales performance across all geographic regions and store-year classes. In addition, we expanded our store base from 142 stores at the end of fiscal 2010 to 244 stores at the end of fiscal 2012. We plan to open a total of approximately 60 net new stores in fiscal 2013.

We expect to continue our strong growth in the future. By offering trend-right merchandise at a differentiated price point of \$5 and below, our stores have been successful in varying geographic regions, population densities and real estate settings. We operate stores in 18 states in the Northeast, South and Midwest regions of the U.S. We are primarily present in power, community and lifestyle shopping centers across a variety of urban, suburban and semi-rural markets with trade areas including at least 100,000 people in the specified market. We believe we have the opportunity to expand our store base in the U.S. from 258 locations at May 4, 2013, to more than 2,000 locations over time. Our ability to open profitable new stores depends on many factors, including our ability to identify suitable markets and sites; negotiate leases with acceptable terms; achieve brand awareness in the new markets; efficiently source and distribute additional merchandise; and achieve sufficient levels of cash flow and financing to support our expansion.

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We have a proven and highly profitable store model that has produced consistent financial results and returns. All of our current stores were profitable on a four-wall basis in fiscal 2012 and our new stores have achieved average payback periods of less than one year. Our new store model anticipates a target store size of 7,500 square feet that achieves annual sales of \$1.5 million to \$1.6 million in the first full year of operation. Our new store model also assumes an average new store investment of approximately \$0.3 million. Our new store investment includes our store build-out (net of tenant allowances), inventory and cash pre-opening expenses.

Our planned store expansion will place increased demands on our operational, managerial, administrative and other resources. Managing our growth effectively will require us to continue to maintain adequate distribution capacity, enhance our store management systems, financial and management controls, information systems and other operational system capabilities. In addition, we will be required to hire, train and retain store management and other qualified personnel. For further information see **Risk Factors** **Risks Related to Our Business and Industry**.

Over the past six years we have invested a significant amount of capital in infrastructure and systems necessary to support our future growth and we expect to incur additional capital expenditures related to expansion of our infrastructure and systems in future periods. In fiscal 2010, we expanded our New Castle, Delaware distribution center, in fiscal 2011, we relocated our corporate headquarters and upgraded our warehouse management and information systems, and in fiscal 2012, we signed a lease for a second distribution center in Olive Branch, Mississippi to support our growth, which is now fully operational. In addition, the timing and amount of investments in our infrastructure and systems could affect the comparability of our results of operations in future periods. The completion date and ultimate cost of future projects could differ significantly from initial expectations due to construction-related or other reasons.

We believe our business strategy will continue to offer significant opportunity, but it also presents risks and challenges. These risks and challenges include, but are not limited to, that we may not be able to effectively identify and respond to changing trends and customer preferences, that we may not be able to find desirable locations for new stores and that we may not be able to effectively manage our future growth. In addition, our financial results can be expected to be directly impacted by substantial increases in product costs due to commodity cost increases or general inflation which could lead to a reduction in our sales as well as greater margin pressure as costs may not be able to be passed on to consumers. To date, changes in commodity prices and general inflation have not materially impacted our business. In response to increasing commodity prices or general inflation, we seek to minimize the impact of such events by sourcing our merchandise from different vendors and changing our product mix. See **Risk Factors** for a description of these and other important factors that could adversely impact us and our results of operations.

### **How We Assess the Performance of Our Business**

In assessing the performance of our business, we consider a variety of performance and financial measures. These key measures include net sales, comparable store sales, cost of goods sold and gross profit, selling, general and administrative expenses and operating income.

#### ***Net Sales***

Net sales constitute gross sales net of merchandise returns for damaged or defective goods. Net sales consist of sales from comparable stores and non-comparable stores. Revenue from the sale of gift cards is deferred and not included in net sales until the gift cards are redeemed to purchase merchandise.

Our business is seasonal and as a result, our net sales fluctuate from quarter to quarter. Net sales are usually highest in the fourth fiscal quarter due to the year-end holiday season.

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### ***Comparable Store Sales***

Comparable store sales include net sales from stores that have been open for at least 15 full months from their opening date.

Comparable stores include the following:

Stores that have been remodeled while remaining open;

Stores that have been relocated within the same trade area, to a location that is not significantly different in size, in which the new store opens at about the same time as the old store closes; and

Stores that have expanded, but are not significantly different in size, within their current locations.

For stores that are relocated or expanded, the following periods are excluded when calculating comparable store sales:

The period of construction and pre-opening during which the store is closed through:

- i the last day of the fiscal year in which the store was relocated or expanded (for stores that increased significantly in size); or
- i the last day of the fiscal month in which the store re-opens (for all other stores); and

The period beginning on the first anniversary of the date the store closed for construction through the first anniversary of the date the store re-opened.

Comparable store sales exclude the 53rd week of sales for 53-week fiscal years. Fiscal 2012 comparable store sales were calculated using a 52-week comparable period through the week ending January 26, 2013.

There may be variations in the way in which some of our competitors and other retailers calculate comparable or same store sales. As a result, data in this prospectus regarding our comparable store sales may not be comparable to similar data made available by other retailers. Non-comparable store sales are comprised of new store sales, sales for stores not open for a full 15 months, and sales from existing store relocation and expansion projects that were temporarily closed and not included in comparable store sales.

Measuring the change in fiscal year-over-year comparable store sales allows us to evaluate how our store base is performing. Various factors affect comparable store sales, including:

consumer preferences, buying trends and overall economic trends;

our ability to identify and respond effectively to customer preferences and trends;

our ability to provide an assortment of high-quality, trend-right and everyday product offerings that generate new and repeat visits to our stores;

the customer experience we provide in our stores;

the level of traffic near our locations in the power, community and lifestyle centers in which we operate;

competition;

changes in our merchandise mix;

pricing;

our ability to source and distribute products efficiently;

the timing of promotional events and holidays;

the timing of introduction of new merchandise and customer acceptance of new merchandise;

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our opening of new stores in the vicinity of existing stores; and

the number of items purchased per store visit.

Opening new stores is an important part of our growth strategy. As we continue to pursue our growth strategy, we expect that a significant percentage of our net sales will continue to come from new stores not included in comparable store sales. Accordingly, comparable store sales is only one measure we use to assess the success of our growth strategy.

### ***Cost of Goods Sold and Gross Profit***

Gross profit is equal to our net sales less our cost of goods sold. Gross margin is gross profit as a percentage of our net sales. Cost of goods sold reflects the direct costs of purchased merchandise and inbound freight, as well as store occupancy, distribution and buying expenses. Store occupancy costs include rent, common area maintenance, utilities and property taxes for all store locations. Distribution costs include costs for receiving, processing, warehousing and shipping of merchandise to or from our distribution centers and between store locations. Buying costs include compensation expense and other costs for our internal buying organization.

These costs are significant and can be expected to continue to increase as our company grows. The components of our cost of goods sold may not be comparable to the components of cost of goods sold or similar measures of our competitors and other retailers. As a result, data in this prospectus regarding our gross profit and gross margin may not be comparable to similar data made available by our competitors and other retailers.

The variable component of our cost of goods sold is higher in higher volume quarters because the variable component of our cost of goods sold generally increases as net sales increase. We regularly analyze the components of gross profit as well as gross margin. Any inability to obtain acceptable levels of initial markups, a significant increase in our use of markdowns, and a significant increase in inventory shrinkage or inability to generate sufficient sales leverage on the store occupancy, distribution and buying components of costs of goods sold could have an adverse impact on our gross profit and results of operations. Changes in the mix of our products may also impact our overall cost of goods sold.

### ***Selling, General and Administrative Expenses***

Selling, general and administrative, or SG&A, expenses are composed of payroll and other compensation, marketing and advertising expense, depreciation and amortization expense and other selling and administrative expenses. SG&A expenses as a percentage of net sales are usually higher in lower sales volume quarters and lower in higher sales volume quarters.

The components of our SG&A expenses may not be comparable to those of other retailers. We expect that our SG&A expenses will increase in future periods due to our continuing store growth and in part due to additional legal, accounting, insurance and other expenses we expect to incur as a result of being a public company. Among other things, we expect that compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and related rules and regulations could result in significant incremental legal, accounting and other overhead costs. In addition, any increase in future stock option or other stock-based grants or modifications will increase our stock-based compensation expense included in SG&A.

### ***Operating Income***

Operating income equals gross profit less SG&A expenses. Operating income excludes interest expense or income and income tax expense or benefit. We use operating income as an indicator of the productivity of our business and our ability to manage SG&A expenses. Operating income percentage measures operating income as a percentage of our net sales.

**Table of Contents****Results of Operations**

The following tables summarize key components of our results of operations for the periods indicated, both in dollars and as a percentage of our net sales.

	2010	Fiscal Year 2011	2012
	(in thousands, except total stores)		
<b>Statements of Operations Data:</b>			
Net sales	\$ 197,189	\$ 297,113	\$ 418,825
Cost of goods sold	131,046	192,252	268,989
Gross profit	66,143	104,861	149,836
Selling, general and administrative expenses(1)	54,339	78,640	112,182
Operating income	11,804	26,221	37,654
Interest expense (income), net	28	(16)	2,374
Loss on debt extinguishment			1,594
Other income			(408)
Income before income taxes	11,776	26,237	34,094
Income tax expense	4,753	10,159	14,069
Net income	\$ 7,023	\$ 16,078	\$ 20,025
<b>Percentage of Net Sales:</b>			
Net sales	100%	100%	100%
Cost of goods sold	66.5%	64.7%	64.2%
Gross profit	33.5%	35.3%	35.8%
Selling, general and administrative expenses(1)	27.6%	26.5%	26.8%
Operating income	6.0%	8.8%	9.0%
Interest expense (income), net	%	%	0.6%
Loss on debt extinguishment	%	%	0.4%
Other income	%	%	(0.1)%
Income before income taxes	6.0%	8.8%	8.1%
Income tax expense	2.4%	3.4%	3.4%
Net income	3.6%	5.4%	4.8%
<b>Operational Data:</b>			
Total stores at end of period	142	192	244
Comparable stores sales growth	15.6%	7.9%	7.1%
Average net sales per store(2)	\$ 1,542	\$ 1,658	\$ 1,822

- (1) Fiscal 2010 includes \$5.3 million of expense related to the 2010 Transaction and fiscal 2011 includes \$6.1 million of non-contractual bonus to certain executive officers for performance in fiscal 2011 and associated tax expense. Fiscal 2012 includes \$10.5 million of stock-based compensation expense that relates to the cancellation of certain stock options, in exchange for the grant of restricted shares and on-going expense recognition of the awards over the remaining vesting period. In addition, fiscal 2012 includes \$1.0 million of expenses related to legal, accounting, and other fees in connection with our secondary public offering in January 2013.

- (2) Only includes stores open during the full fiscal year.



**Table of Contents****Fiscal Year 2012 Compared to Fiscal Year 2011*****Net Sales***

Net sales increased to \$418.8 million in fiscal year 2012 from \$297.1 million in fiscal year 2011, an increase of \$121.7 million, or 41.0%. The increase was the result of a comparable store sales increase of \$18.5 million and a non-comparable store sales increase of \$103.2 million. In fiscal year 2012, we opened 52 new stores compared to a net of 50 new stores in fiscal year 2011. The increase in non-comparable store sales was driven by the number of stores that opened in fiscal 2011 but have not been open for 15 full months and includes \$5.0 million of sales contributed by the 53rd week in fiscal 2012.

Comparable store sales increased 7.1% for fiscal year 2012 compared to fiscal year 2011. This increase resulted from an increase of approximately 6.9% in the number of transactions in our stores and an increase in the average dollar value of transactions of approximately 0.2%.

***Cost of Goods Sold and Gross Profit***

Cost of goods sold increased to \$269.0 million in fiscal year 2012 from \$192.3 million in fiscal year 2011, an increase of \$76.7 million, or 39.9%. The increase in cost of goods sold was primarily the result of a \$59.9 million increase in the merchandise costs of goods resulting from an increase in sales and a \$11.1 million increase in store occupancy as a result of new store openings.

Gross profit increased to \$149.8 million in fiscal year 2012 from \$104.9 million in fiscal year 2011, an increase of \$45.0 million, or 42.9%. Gross margin increased to 35.8% for fiscal year 2012 from 35.3% in fiscal year 2011, an increase of approximately 50 basis points. The increase in gross margin was primarily the result of a decrease of 53 basis points in store occupancy, which increased at a lower rate than the increase in net sales.

***Selling, General and Administrative Expenses***

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased to \$112.2 million in fiscal year 2012 from \$78.6 million in fiscal year 2011, an increase of \$33.5 million, or 42.7%. As a percentage of net sales, selling, general and administrative expenses increased approximately 30 basis points to 26.8% in fiscal year 2012 compared to 26.5% in fiscal year 2011. The increase in selling, general and administrative expense was primarily the result of increases of \$19.5 million in store-related expenses to support new store growth, \$10.5 million of stock-based compensation expense recorded in fiscal year 2012 associated with the cancellation of certain stock options in exchange for the grant of restricted shares in March 2012 and on-going expense recognition of the awards over the remaining vesting period and \$9.1 million of corporate related expenses, partially offset by \$6.1 million of a non-contractual bonus to certain executive officers for performance in fiscal 2011. Fiscal 2012 also included \$1.0 million of fees in connection with the filing of the secondary public offering.

***Interest Expense (Income), Net***

Interest expense, net increased to \$2.4 million in fiscal year 2012. The increase in interest expense resulted from interest on the outstanding balance of our term loan facility of \$1.9 million, as well as amortization of deferred financing fees of \$0.5 million.

***Loss on Debt Extinguishment***

In connection with a \$65.3 million repayment of our \$100.0 million term loan facility, we expensed \$1.6 million of deferred financing costs in fiscal 2012.

***Income Tax Expense***

Income tax expense increased to \$14.1 million in fiscal year 2012 from \$10.2 million in fiscal year 2011, an increase of \$3.9 million, or 38.5%. This increase in income tax expense was primarily the result of a \$7.9 million

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increase in pre-tax net income. Our effective tax rate increased to 41.3% in fiscal year 2012 from 38.7% in fiscal year 2011. Our fiscal year 2012 effective tax rate is negatively impacted by permanent book to tax differences relating to fees paid for our secondary offering in fiscal 2012.

### ***Net Income***

As a result of the foregoing, net income increased to \$20.0 million in fiscal year 2012 from \$16.1 million in fiscal year 2011, an increase of \$3.9 million, or 24.5%. The 53rd week in fiscal 2012 had an immaterial impact to net income.

### **Fiscal Year 2011 Compared to Fiscal Year 2010**

#### ***Net Sales***

Net sales increased to \$297.1 million in fiscal year 2011 from \$197.2 million in fiscal year 2010, an increase of \$99.9 million, or 50.7%. The increase was the result of a comparable store sales increase of \$13.1 million and a non-comparable store sales increase of \$86.8 million. In fiscal year 2011, we opened a net of 50 new stores compared to a net of 40 new stores in fiscal year 2010. New store openings are the primary driver for our increase in non-comparable store sales.

Comparable store sales increased 7.9% for fiscal year 2011 compared to fiscal year 2010. This increase resulted from an increase of approximately 6.1% in the number of transactions in our stores and an increase in the average dollar value of transactions of approximately 1.8%.

#### ***Cost of Goods Sold and Gross Profit***

Cost of goods sold increased to \$192.3 million in fiscal year 2011 from \$131.0 million in fiscal year 2010, an increase of \$61.2 million, or 46.7%. The increase in cost of goods sold was primarily the result of a \$48.2 million increase in the merchandise costs of goods resulting from an increase in sales and a \$9.7 million increase in store occupancy as a result of new store openings.

Gross profit increased to \$104.9 million in fiscal year 2011 from \$66.1 million in fiscal year 2010, an increase of \$38.7 million, or 58.5%. Gross margin increased from 33.5% in fiscal year 2010 to 35.3% for fiscal year 2011, an increase of approximately 180 basis points. The increase in gross margin was primarily the result of a 102 and 64 basis point increase from buying and store occupancy expense, respectively, as buying expense decreased from prior year and store occupancy expense increased at a lower rate than the increase in net sales.

#### ***Selling, General and Administrative Expenses***

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased to \$78.6 million in fiscal year 2011 from \$54.3 million in fiscal year 2010, an increase of \$24.3 million, or 44.7%. As a percentage of net sales, selling, general and administrative expenses decreased approximately 110 basis points to 26.5% in fiscal year 2011 compared to 27.6% in fiscal year 2010. The increase in selling, general and administrative expense was primarily the result of increases of \$17.4 million of store-related expenses to support new store growth and \$6.0 million of a non-contractual bonus to certain executive officers for performance in fiscal 2011, which was partially offset by a decrease of \$5.3 million in expense related to the 2010 Transaction, including compensation cost associated with the modification of certain stock options.

#### ***Income Tax Expense***

Income tax expense increased to \$10.2 million in fiscal year 2011 from \$4.8 million in fiscal year 2010, an increase of \$5.4 million, or 113.7%. This increase in income tax expense was primarily the result of a \$14.5 million increase in pre-tax net income. Our effective tax rate decreased from 40.4% in fiscal year 2010 to 38.7% in fiscal year 2011.

**Table of Contents****Net Income**

As a result of the foregoing, net income increased to \$16.1 million in fiscal year 2011 from \$7.0 million in fiscal year 2010, an increase of \$9.1 million, or 128.9%.

**Quarterly Results of Operations and Seasonality**

The following table summarizes key components of our results of operations for the periods indicated, both in dollars and as a percentage of our annual results and our net sales. In our opinion, this unaudited quarterly information has been prepared on the same basis as our annual audited financial statements appearing elsewhere in this prospectus, and includes all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments, that we consider necessary to present fairly the financial information for the fiscal quarters presented. You should read this information in conjunction with our audited financial statements and the related notes appearing elsewhere in this prospectus. Operating results for any fiscal quarter are not necessarily indicative of results for the full year.

	Fiscal Year 2010				Fiscal Year 2011				Fiscal Year 2012			
	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter(2)
	(in thousands, except percentages and other operating data)											
Net sales	\$ 31,625	\$ 42,375	\$ 41,459	\$ 81,730	\$ 47,427	\$ 61,966	\$ 61,895	\$ 125,825	\$ 71,829	\$ 86,820	\$ 86,587	\$ 173,589
Gross profit	9,146	13,959	9,983	33,055	14,587	20,011	18,373	51,890	23,020	28,747	26,931	71,138
Operating income (loss) (1)	202	1,686	(6,173)	16,089	1,661	3,688	739	20,133	(1,965)	4,735	1,841	33,043
Net income (loss)	\$ 129	\$ 1,004	\$ (3,678)	\$ 9,568	\$ 999	\$ 2,212	\$ 440	\$ 12,427	\$ (1,157)	\$ 1,247	\$ 729	19,206
<b>Percentage of Annual Results:</b>												
Net sales	16.0%	21.5%	21.0%	41.4%	16.0%	20.9%	20.8%	42.3%	17.2%	20.7%	20.7%	41.4%
Gross profit	13.8%	21.1%	15.1%	50.0%	13.9%	19.1%	17.5%	49.5%	15.4%	19.2%	18.0%	47.5%
Operating income (loss) (1)	1.7%	14.3%	(52.3%)	136.3%	6.3%	14.1%	2.8%	76.8%	(5.2)%	12.6%	4.9%	87.8%
Net income (loss)	1.8%	14.3%	(52.4%)	136.2%	6.2%	13.8%	2.7%	77.3%	(5.8)%	6.2%	3.6%	95.9%
<b>Percentage of Net Sales:</b>												
Net sales	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100%	100%	100%
Gross profit	28.9%	32.9%	24.1%	40.4%	30.8%	32.3%	29.7%	41.2%	32.0%	33.1%	31.1%	41.0%
Operating income (loss) (1)	0.6%	4.0%	(14.9%)	19.7%	3.5%	6.0%	1.2%	16.0%	(2.7)%	5.5%	2.1%	19.0%
Net income (loss)	0.4%	2.4%	(8.9%)	11.7%	2.1%	3.6%	0.7%	9.9%	(1.6)%	1.4%	0.8%	11.1%
<b>Other Operating Data:</b>												
Total stores at end of period	105	115	138	142	145	168	189	192	199	226	243	244
Comparable store sales growth	22.8%	26.5%	15.9%	6.3%	7.6%	0.7%	7.6%	12.1%	10.4%	8.6%	8.8%	4.4%

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The third quarter of fiscal year 2010 includes \$5.3 million of expense related to the 2010 Transaction. The fourth quarter of fiscal year 2011 includes \$6.1 million of non-contractual bonus to certain executive officers for performance in fiscal 2011 and associated tax expense. The first, second, third and fourth quarters of fiscal year 2012 include \$5.9 million, \$1.5 million, \$1.5 million and \$1.6 million, respectively, of expense related to the cancellation of certain stock options in exchange for the grant of restricted shares.

(2) Fiscal 2012 consists of a 53-week fiscal year and the fourth quarter of fiscal 2012 included an extra week, representing the 53rd week.

Our business is seasonal in nature and demand is generally the highest in the fourth fiscal quarter due to the year-end holiday season. To prepare for the holiday season, we must order and keep in stock more merchandise than we carry during other parts of the year. We expect inventory levels, along with an increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses, generally to reach their highest levels in the third and fourth fiscal quarters in anticipation of the increased net sales during the year-end holiday season. As a result of this seasonality, and generally because of variation in consumer spending habits, we experience fluctuations in net sales and working capital requirements during the year.

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### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

#### ***Overview***

Our primary sources of liquidity are cash flows from operations, historical equity financings and borrowings under our Revolving Credit Facility (defined in *-Line of Credit* ). Our primary cash needs are for capital expenditures and working capital. During fiscal 2012, we also entered into a Term Loan Facility (defined in *-Financing Transactions* ) and used the proceeds to pay the 2012 Dividend in May 2012.

Capital expenditures typically vary depending on the timing of new store openings and infrastructure-related investments. We plan to make capital expenditures of approximately \$26.0 million in fiscal 2013, which we expect to fund from cash generated from operations. We expect to devote approximately \$15.4 million of our capital expenditure budget in fiscal 2013 to construct and open a total of approximately 60 net new stores and a new distribution center, with the remainder projected to be spent on corporate infrastructure and store relocations and remodels.

Our primary working capital requirements are for the purchase of store inventory and payment of payroll, rent, other store operating costs and distribution costs. Our working capital requirements fluctuate during the year, rising in the third and fourth fiscal quarters as we take title to increasing quantities of inventory in anticipation of our peak, year-end holiday shopping season in the fourth fiscal quarter. Fluctuations in working capital are also driven by the timing of new store openings.

Historically, we have funded our capital expenditures and working capital requirements during the fiscal year with cash on hand and borrowings under our Revolving Credit Facility. We did not have any direct borrowings under our Revolving Credit Facility during fiscal year 2012. When we have used our Revolving Credit Facility, the amount of indebtedness outstanding under it has tended to be the highest in the beginning of the fourth quarter of each fiscal year. Over the past three fiscal years, to the extent that we have drawn on the facility, we have paid down the borrowings before the end of the fiscal year with cash generated during our peak selling season in the fourth quarter.

As of February 2, 2013, the balance outstanding under the Term Loan Facility was \$34.5 million. Pursuant to the terms of the Term Loan Facility, due to the repayment of \$65.3 million of principal under the Term Loan Facility in July 2012, we are no longer required to make minimum quarterly payments. We plan to repay approximately \$15.0 million of principal on the Term Loan Facility within the next 12 months and have classified this amount as a current liability on our balance sheet as of February 2, 2013. The remaining unpaid balance will be due upon maturity.

Based on our growth plans, we believe that our cash position, net cash provided by operating activities and availability under our Revolving Credit Facility will be adequate to finance our planned capital expenditures, working capital requirements and debt service over the next 12 months and for the foreseeable future thereafter. If cash flows from operations and borrowings under our Revolving Credit Facility are not sufficient or available to meet our requirements, then we will be required to obtain additional equity or debt financing in the future. There can be no assurance that equity or debt financing will be available to us when we need it or, if available, that the terms will be satisfactory to us and not dilutive to our then-current shareholders.

**Table of Contents****Cash Flows**

A summary of our cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities is presented in the following table (in millions):

	Fiscal Year		
	2010	2011	2012
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 15.0	\$ 46.7	\$ 30.4
Net cash used in investing activities	(14.9)	(18.6)	(22.9)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(0.4)	1.0	7.3
Net (decrease) increase during period in cash and cash equivalents	\$ (0.3)	\$ 29.1	\$ 14.8

**Cash Provided by Operating Activities**

Net cash provided by operating activities for fiscal 2012 was \$30.4 million, a decrease of \$16.3 million compared to fiscal 2011. The decrease in net cash provided by operating activities was primarily the result of the net change in income taxes paid of \$9.6 million, the settlement of \$6.8 million of book overdrafts that were outstanding at January 28, 2012, and the payment of \$6.0 million of non-contractual bonuses to certain executive officers for performance which were accrued at January 28, 2012 and an increase in working capital needs to support our growth. Partially offsetting the decreases were increased operating cash flows from store performance. During fiscal 2012, we added 52 new stores and expect to add a total of approximately 60 net new stores in fiscal 2013.

Net cash provided by operating activities for fiscal 2011 was \$46.7 million, an increase of \$31.7 million compared to fiscal 2010. The increase in net cash provided by operating activities was primarily driven by an increase in operating income and the reclassification of \$6.8 million in book overdrafts as accounts payable, due to the timing of bank settlement. The primary driver of the increase in our operating income is the addition of our new stores. During fiscal 2011, we added 50 net new stores.

Net cash provided by operating activities for fiscal 2010 was \$15.0 million, an increase of \$5.8 million compared to fiscal 2009. The increase was primarily driven by an increase in operating income and a decrease in payments on accounts payable due to the timing of vendor payments at fiscal 2010 year-end. The increase in operating income was primarily driven by the addition of 40 new stores in fiscal 2010, with the majority of new stores opening prior to the beginning of the fourth quarter. Partially offsetting these increases were an increase in inventory purchases to support our growth.

**Cash Used in Investing Activities**

Net cash used in investing activities for fiscal 2012 was \$22.9 million, an increase of \$4.3 million compared to fiscal 2011 related solely to capital expenditures. The increase in capital expenditures was primarily for our new store construction, our new distribution center and corporate infrastructure.

Net cash used in investing activities for fiscal 2011 was \$18.6 million, an increase of \$3.7 million compared to fiscal 2010 and related solely to capital expenditures. The increase in capital expenditures was primarily for corporate infrastructure and our distribution facility.

Net cash used in investing activities for fiscal 2010 was \$14.9 million, an increase of \$7.6 million compared to fiscal 2009 and related solely to capital expenditures. The increase in capital expenditures was primarily for our new store construction and distribution facility.

**Cash Provided by (Used in) Financing Activities**

Net cash provided by financing activities for fiscal year 2012 was \$7.3 million, an increase of \$6.3 million compared to fiscal year 2011. The increase in net cash provided by financing activities was primarily the result of

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\$100.0 million of proceeds from our Term Loan Facility and \$73.2 million of proceeds from the IPO, partially offset by \$99.5 million of dividend payments, \$65.5 million of repayments of the Term Loan Facility, \$2.8 million in debt financing costs and \$1.6 million related to the excess tax benefit related to restricted shares and the exercise of stock options and warrants. Please see [Financing Transactions](#) for a description of the term loan facility entered into on May 16, 2012.

Fiscal 2011 cash flows provided by financing activities were primarily the result of proceeds of \$1.1 million from the issuance of common stock.

Fiscal 2010 cash flows used in financing activities were primarily the result of dividends paid to our common shareholders of \$192.4 million and the redemption of warrants of \$10.2 million, partially offset by net proceeds from the issuance of shares of our preferred stock of \$191.9 million, proceeds from the exercise and prepayment of warrants and options to purchase common stock of \$6.9 million, and the related excess tax benefit of \$3.2 million.

***Financing Transactions***

On May 16, 2012, we entered into a \$100.0 million term loan facility with Goldman Sachs Bank USA as administrative agent for a syndicate of lenders (the [Term Loan Facility](#)). We used the net proceeds from the Term Loan Facility and cash on hand to pay a dividend on all outstanding shares of our common stock and Series A 8% convertible preferred stock totaling \$99.5 million. On the same day, we amended and restated our existing senior secured Revolving Credit Facility with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, which is defined below under [Line of Credit](#). We refer to the Term Loan Facility, the amendment and restatement of the Revolving Credit Facility and related transactions as the [Financing Transactions](#).

The Term Loan Facility provides for a term loan of \$100.0 million and matures on the earlier of (i) May 16, 2015 and (ii) the date on which such facility is accelerated following the occurrence of an event of default. The Term Loan Facility provides for interest on borrowings, at our option, at an alternate base rate which is the greater of (i) the administrative agent's prime rate in effect on such day and (ii) the federal funds effective rate in effect on such day plus 0.50% with a 2.00% floor, plus a margin of 3.25%, or a London Interbank Offer Rate (LIBOR) based rate with a 1.00% floor plus a margin of 4.25%. The credit agreement for the Term Loan Facility includes a maximum consolidated net leverage ratio financial covenant, the calculation of which allows us to net up to \$10.0 million of our cash and cash equivalents against our indebtedness. Our leverage ratio must not exceed 3.25x for the testing periods in calendar year 2012, 2.75x to 2.50x for the testing periods in calendar year 2013, 2.00x for the testing periods in calendar year 2014 and 1.75x thereafter.

The credit agreement for the Term Loan Facility also includes customary negative and affirmative covenants including, among others, limitations on our ability to: (i) incur additional debt; (ii) create liens; (iii) make certain investments, loans and advances; (iv) sell assets; (v) pay dividends or make distributions or other restricted payments; (vi) engage in mergers or consolidations; or (vii) change our business.

The Term Loan Facility is subject to repayment upon the receipt of certain proceeds, including those from the sale of certain assets, insurance proceeds and indebtedness not otherwise permitted. The Term Loan Facility was also subject to repayment of \$50.0 million upon the receipt of proceeds from the IPO. We closed the IPO on July 24, 2012. On July 27, 2012, we repaid \$65.3 million of principal on the Term Loan Facility and \$0.7 million of interest. On October 26, 2012, we repaid \$0.3 million of principal on the Term Loan Facility. As of February 2, 2013, the balance outstanding under the Term Loan Facility was \$34.5 million, bearing interest at a rate of 5.25%. Pursuant to the terms of the Term Loan Facility, due to the repayment of \$65.3 million of principal in July 2012, we are no longer required to make minimum quarterly payments. We plan to repay approximately \$15.0 million of principal on the Term Loan Facility within the next 12 months and have classified the amount as a current liability on our balance sheet as of February 2, 2013. The remaining unpaid balance will be due upon maturity.

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In connection with the Term Loan Facility, we incurred deferred financing costs of \$2.7 million which are being amortized over the term of the Term Loan Facility. The amortization is included in interest expense, net, in the statement of operations. In connection with the repayment in July 2012, \$1.6 million of the deferred financing costs were written off and included in loss on debt extinguishment in the statement of operations. The remaining deferred financing costs, net of amortization, are included in other assets in the balance sheet at February 2, 2013. We had approximately \$0.8 million and \$38,000 of remaining deferred financing fees as of February 2, 2013 and January 28, 2012, respectively.

Amounts under the credit agreement for the Term Loan Facility may become due upon certain events of default including, among others, failure to comply with the credit agreement's covenants, bankruptcy, default on certain other indebtedness or a change in control. The default rate under the Term Loan Facility is 2.00% per annum. All obligations under the Term Loan Facility are secured by substantially all of our assets. As of February 2, 2013, we were in compliance with the financial covenant and other covenants applicable to us under the Term Loan Facility. During fiscal 2012, we recorded \$2.4 million in interest expense, including amortization of deferred financing fees of \$0.5 million.

***Line of Credit***

On August 18, 2006, we entered into a Loan and Security Agreement (the "Loan and Security Agreement") with Wachovia Bank National Association (predecessor in interest to Wells Fargo Bank, National Association) that included a revolving line of credit with advances tied to a borrowing base. The Loan and Security Agreement was amended and/or restated several times, the latest on May 16, 2012 (as amended and restated, the "Revolving Credit Facility"), generally to extend the maturity date, increase maximum borrowings, adjust the applicable interest rates and modify certain definitions.

The Revolving Credit Facility allows maximum borrowings of \$20.0 million with advances tied to a borrowing base and expires on the earliest to occur of (i) May 16, 2017, (ii) the date which is 45 days prior to the maturity date of the Term Loan Facility if the Term Loan Facility remains outstanding or (iii) upon the occurrence of an event of default. The Revolving Credit Facility may be increased to \$30.0 million upon certain conditions. The Revolving Credit Facility includes a \$5.0 million sub-limit for the issuance of letters of credit. The borrowing base is 90% of eligible credit card receivables plus 90% of the net recovery percentage of eligible inventory less established reserves. We incurred deferred financing costs of \$50,000 in May 2012 in connection with the Revolving Credit Facility and such costs are being amortized over the remaining term of the Revolving Credit Facility.

The Revolving Credit Facility provides for interest on borrowings, at our option, at (a) a prime rate plus a margin of (i) 0.75% if excess availability is greater than or equal to 75%, (ii) 1.0% if excess availability is less than 75% but greater than or equal to 33% or (iii) 1.25% if excess availability is less than 33% or (b) a LIBOR-based rate plus a margin of (i) 1.75% if excess availability is greater than or equal to 75%, (ii) 2.00% if excess availability is less than 75% but greater than or equal to 33% or (iii) 2.25% if excess availability is less than 33%. The Revolving Credit Facility further provides for a letter of credit fee equal to the LIBOR-based rate plus (i) 1.75% if excess availability is greater than or equal to 75%, (ii) 2.00% if excess availability is less than 75% but greater than or equal to 33% or (iii) 2.25% if excess availability is less than 33%. The Revolving Credit Facility also contains an unused credit facility fee of 0.375% per annum and is subject to a servicing fee of approximately \$12,000 per year. As of February 2, 2013, we had approximately \$0.3 million letter of credit outstanding that was undrawn.

The Revolving Credit Facility includes a covenant which requires us to maintain minimum excess collateral availability of no less than the greater of (i) 10% of the then effective maximum credit and (ii) \$3.0 million.

The Revolving Credit Facility also includes customary negative and affirmative covenants including, among others, limitations on our ability to (i) incur additional debt; (ii) create liens; (iii) make certain investments, loans and advances; (iv) sell assets; (v) pay dividends or make distributions or other restricted payments; (vi) engage in mergers or consolidations; or (vii) change our business.



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Additionally, the Revolving Credit Facility is subject to payment upon our receipt of certain proceeds, including those from the sale of certain assets and is subject to an increase in the interest rate on borrowings and the letter of credit fee of 2.0% upon an event of default. Amounts under the Revolving Credit Facility may become due upon certain events of default including, among others, failure to comply with the Revolving Credit Facility's covenants, bankruptcy, default on certain other indebtedness or a change in control.

During fiscal 2012, the Company had no borrowings or interest expense under the Revolving Credit Facility. At February 2, 2013, we had approximately \$20.0 million available on the line of credit of which \$19.7 million was available and \$0.3 million was issued but undrawn on an outstanding letter of credit obligation. During fiscal 2011, we had no borrowings or interest expense under the Revolving Credit Facility and we had approximately \$20.0 million available on the line of credit for borrowings at January 28, 2012, based on the borrowing base. During fiscal 2010, the maximum borrowings and weighted average interest rate under the Revolving Credit Facility were \$8.2 million and 4.85%, respectively, and interest expense was \$53,000.

All obligations under the Revolving Credit Facility are secured by substantially all of our assets. As of February 2, 2013 and January 28, 2012, we were in compliance with the covenants applicable to us under the Revolving Credit Facility.

### ***2010 Transaction***

On October 14, 2010, Advent and Sargent Family Investment, LLC, a limited liability company controlled by Ronald Sargent, one of our board members, invested \$192.9 million and \$1.1 million, respectively, in Five Below in consideration for 88,785,489 and 506,284 shares of our Series A 8% convertible preferred stock, respectively, and, as a result of such investment, Advent acquired a majority interest in us. In connection with this transaction, all of our outstanding shares of preferred stock on October 13, 2010 were converted into shares of our common stock and all of our then outstanding options and warrants were exercised or exchanged for restricted or unrestricted shares of our common stock or were exchanged for unrestricted shares and cash. We used the proceeds of this investment as well as cash on hand to pay a special dividend to the holders of our common stock on October 14, 2010. The aggregate amount of such dividend was approximately \$196.7 million, or \$13.24 per share.

### ***Stock Split***

On July 17, 2012, we amended our articles of incorporation to reflect a 0.3460-for-1 reverse stock split of our common stock. The amendment also changed the authorized shares of our common stock to 120,000,000 shares. Concurrent with the reverse stock split, we adjusted (i) the conversion price of our Series A 8% convertible preferred stock, (ii) the number of shares subject to and the exercise price of our outstanding stock option awards under our equity incentive plan and (iii) the number of shares subject to and the exercise price of our outstanding warrants to equitably reflect the split. All common stock share and per-share data presented in this prospectus gives effect to the reverse stock split and the change in authorized shares and have been adjusted retroactively for all periods presented.

### ***Initial Public Offering***

On July 24, 2012, we completed our IPO of 11,057,692 shares of common stock at a price of \$17.00 per share. The common stock was listed on The NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol FIVE. The shares sold in the IPO were registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, pursuant to our Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-180780), which was declared effective by the SEC on July 18, 2012. Of the 11,057,692 shares sold in the IPO, we issued 4,807,692 shares, and 6,250,000 shares were sold by selling shareholders, including 1,442,308 shares sold pursuant to the exercise in full of the underwriters' over-allotment option. We did not receive any proceeds from shares sold by the selling shareholders. We received proceeds of approximately \$73.2 million, net of approximately \$8.5 million in underwriting discounts and legal, accounting

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and other fees incurred in connection with the IPO. Of the \$73.2 million net proceeds received from the IPO, approximately \$65.3 million and \$0.7 million, respectively, were used to repay principal and interest under our Term Loan Facility that existed as of the date of the IPO. The remaining net proceeds of the IPO were used for general corporate purposes, including working capital.

### ***Secondary Public Offering***

On February 4, 2013, we completed our secondary public offering of 13,012,250 shares of common stock at a price of \$35.65 per share. The shares sold in the secondary public offering were registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, pursuant to our Registration Statements on Form S-1 (File No. 333-186043 and File No. 333-186275), which were declared effective by the SEC on January 29, 2013. All of the shares sold in the secondary public offering were sold by selling shareholders and we did not receive any proceeds. We did incur fees of approximately \$1.0 million related to legal, accounting, and other fees in connection with the secondary public offering.

### **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

We have identified the policies below as critical to our business operations and understanding of our results of operations. The impact and any associated risks related to these policies on our business operations are discussed throughout Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations where such policies affect our reported and expected financial results. Our financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, require us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and related disclosures. We base our estimates on historical experience and various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates. For a detailed discussion on the application of these and other accounting policies, see Note 1 in our annual financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

### ***Inventories***