Resources Connection, Inc. 2020 Annual Report

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Dear Shareholders,

Resilience. Tenacity. Fortitude. These are the words that come to mind when I think about this past year -- all that humanity has suffered, and the grit shown in turn. A viral pandemic that has ravaged and brought our world to its knees, taking

more than 800,000 lives to date. To complicate matters, we're not just waging war on COVID-19 – we're also fighting an affliction that has plagued us much longer: systemic racism and racial violence. Without a doubt, fighting a two-front battle this year has tested our resolve.

Yet there are glimmers of hope amid all the pain and anguish that help me believe in a brighter future. We've seen front line healthcare workers risking everything to care for patients, many traveling to hotspots to lend an extra hand where it's needed most. Corporate America standing in solidarity with protesters, pledging time and real dollars to social justice organizations, and vowing to make internal cultures more inclusive provides inspiration. I also applaud and appreciate those of us sheltering at home all this time, wearing masks dutifully and sanitizing our hands - doing what we can to protect the vulnerable and elderly. We didn't ask for this version of 2020 and we didn't see it coming, but we did not falter in its wake either. We faced these challenges head on. And while recovery is not yet in sight, our human spirit and its will to fight back remain strong.

Beyond the macro, the theme of perseverance in the face of adversity resonates strongly at RGP today. While the business climate has proven challenging these last several months, we have kept our eye on the ball and performed solidly through the crisis. Just before the pandemic hit the U.S. in early March, we initiated a restructuring of our headcount and real estate footprint in North America and Asia Pacific. We conducted this exercise to enhance our organizational health and agility for an improved customer and employee experience. Within days of the pandemic reaching the U.S., we adopted an organization-wide Work-From-Home order and pivoted to a virtual operating model nearly overnight. The transition proved seamless and certainly our work in preparing for the restructuring, including the adoption of technology tools to support remote work, put us well ahead of the curve.

The stability of our business is also a function of the transformational work we've completed over the last several years, including evolving our operating model and go-to-market strategy and building world-class sales and talent organizations. The implementations of Salesforce and Workday have been foundational in this regard. The nature of our business affords us the added advantage of a strong balance sheet, healthy cash flow and a solid debt leverage ratio. It's hard to overstate the value of a variable cost operating model during times of economic uncertainty.

Looking ahead and recognizing that true recovery is not yet at hand, we know exactly where our strategic priorities lie for fiscal 2021. Operating model efficiency and cost optimization remain an important area of focus. We expect to announce the next wave of our reorganization - reimagining our European business - in the coming months. We will continue to modernize our core systems to support the growth and evolution of our business, as well as productive virtual operations. Digital transformation continues to be high on our agenda, and we look forward to the launch of our human cloud staffing platform, Hugo, later this fiscal year to further drive growth. Our goto-market leadership is working in close collaboration with Veracity's leaders to accelerate the expansion of its reach and service delivery into RGP's client base. The same team is also driving the continued growth of our strategic account programs through enhanced focus and penetration.

As a human-first company, diversity, equity and inclusion (DE&I) are shared values that have long been deeply ingrained in our culture. That said, we are actively working this year to increase DE&I awareness, education and involvement even further throughout our workforce. Stay tuned for updates on our efforts and new programs in this arena.

While 2020 has certainly presented us all with a unique set of trials, I am proud that we've risen to the challenge and ardently believe in better days ahead. I am very grateful that the business we've built has proven resilient in the face of crisis. And while I've long talked about the Future of Work trend favoring RGP's agile human capital model, I am now convinced that the future is here. The COVID-19 pandemic has markedly accelerated the shift to agility, propelling us into the Now of Work. This is our time, and we're ready.

Thank you for your support of RGP, and we look forward to an improving environment ahead.

Best,

Kate W. Duchene Chief Executive Officer

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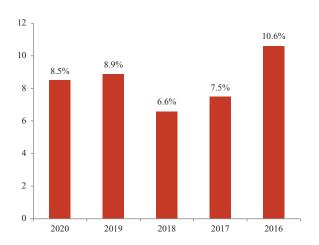
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

| | | Years | Ended | |
|--|----|------------|-------|------------|
| (In thousands, except per share data) | Ma | y 30, 2020 | May | y 25, 2019 |
| Financial Results: | | _ | | |
| Revenue | \$ | 703,353 | \$ | 728,999 |
| Gross margin | \$ | 275,483 | \$ | 282,439 |
| Restructuring costs | \$ | 4,982 | \$ | - |
| Operating income | \$ | 36,652 | \$ | 50,159 |
| Net income | \$ | 28,285 | \$ | 31,470 |
| Net Income per common share - Diluted | \$ | 0.88 | \$ | 0.98 |
| Cash dividends declared per common share | \$ | 0.56 | \$ | 0.52 |
| | Ma | y 30, 2020 | May | y 25, 2019 |
| Balance Sheet Data: | | | | |
| Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments. | \$ | 95,624 | \$ | 49,026 |
| Accounts receivable, net | \$ | 124,986 | \$ | 133,304 |
| Total assets | \$ | 529,181 | \$ | 428,370 |
| Stockholders' equity | \$ | 303,661 | \$ | 282,396 |
| | Ma | y 30, 2020 | May | y 25, 2019 |
| Cash Flow Data: | | | | |
| Cash flows from operating activities. | \$ | 49,523 | \$ | 43,621 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | \$ | (26,772) | \$ | (12,877) |
| Cash flows from financing activities. | \$ | 30,904 | \$ | (43,601) |

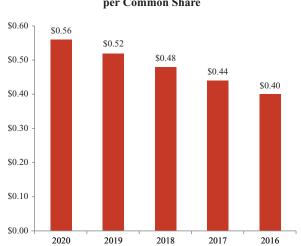
Total Revenues

\$800,000 \$728,999 \$703,353 \$700,000 \$654,129 \$598,521 \$583,411 \$600,000 \$500,000 \$400,000 \$300,000 \$200,000 \$100,000 2020 2019 2018 2017 2016

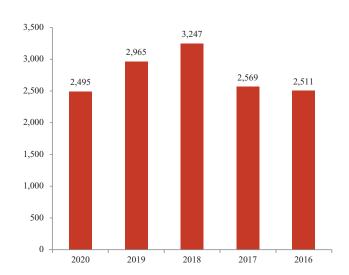
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (1)



Cash Dividends Declared per Common Share



Total Number of Consultants on Assignment at End of Period



⁽¹⁾ Adjusted EBITDA is a key performance indicator we use to assess our financial and operating performance. In fiscal 2020, 2019 and 2018, we defined Adjusted EBITDA as net income before amortization of intangible assets, depreciation expense, interest and income taxes plus stock-based compensation expense, restructuring costs, and plus or minus contingent consideration adjustments. In 2017, adjusted EBITDA was not adjusted for restructuring costs of \$2.4 million. Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure. A non-GAAP financial measure is defined as a numerical measure of a company's financial performance that (i) excludes amounts, or is subject to adjustments that have the effect of excluding amounts, that are included in the comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") in the statement of operations; or (ii) includes amounts, or is subject to adjustments that have the effect of including amounts, that are excluded from the comparable measures so calculated and presented. Adjusted EBITDA Margin is calculated by dividing the Adjusted EBITDA by revenue. For further discussion of Adjusted EBITDA, see page 19.

SERVICES AND STRATEGY OF RESOURCES GLOBAL PROFESSIONALS

RGP is a global consulting firm that enables rapid business outcomes by bringing together the right people to create transformative change. As a human capital partner for our clients, we specialize in solving today's most pressing business problems across the enterprise in the areas of transactions, regulations, and transformations. Our engagements are designed to leverage human connection and collaboration to deliver practical solutions and more impactful results that power our clients, consultants and partners' success.

RGP was founded in 1996 to help finance executives with operational needs and special projects. Headquartered in Irvine, California, RGP is proud to have served 88 of the Fortune 100 as of July 2020. Our agile human capital model quickly aligns the right resources for the work at hand with speed and efficiency. Our pioneering approach to workforce strategy uniquely positions us to support our clients on their transformation journeys. With more than 3,400 professionals, we annually engage with over 2,400 clients around the world.

Industry Background and Trends

Changing Market for Project- or Initiative-Based Professional Services

RGP's services respond to a growing marketplace trend: namely, corporate clients are increasingly choosing to address their workforce needs in more flexible ways. We believe this growing shift in workforce strategy towards a project-based orientation might also be accelerated by the COVID-19 pandemic with an enhanced emphasis on business agility. Permanent professional personnel positions are being reduced as clients engage agile talent for project initiatives and transformation work.

Companies use a mix of alternative resources to execute on projects. Some companies rely solely on their own employees who may lack the requisite time, experience or skills for specific projects. They may outsource entire projects to consulting firms, which provides them access to the expertise of the firm but often entails significant cost and less management control of the project. As a more cost-efficient alternative, companies sometimes use temporary employees from traditional and Internet-based staffing firms, although these employees may be less experienced or less qualified than employees from professional services firms. Finally, companies can supplement their internal resources with employees from agile consulting or other traditional professional services firms, like RGP. The use of project consultants as a viable alternative to traditional accounting, consulting and law firms allows companies to:

- Strategically access specialized skills and expertise for projects of set duration
- Access the very best talent across regions and geographies
- Be nimble and mobilize quickly
- Blend independent and fresh points of view
- Effectively supplement internal resources
- Increase labor flexibility
- Reduce overall hiring, training and termination costs

Supply of Project Consultants

Based on discussions with our consultants, we believe the number of professionals seeking to work on an agile basis has been increasing due to a desire for:

- More flexible hours and work arrangements, including working from home options, coupled with an evolving professional culture that offers competitive wages and benefits
- The ability to learn and contribute in different environments and collaborate with diverse team members
- Challenging engagements that advance their careers, develop their skills and add to their experience base
- A work environment that provides a diversity of, and more control over, client engagements
- Alternate employment opportunities in regions throughout the world

The employment alternatives available to professionals may fulfill some, but not all, of an individual's career objectives. A professional working for a Big Four firm or a consulting firm may receive challenging assignments and training; however, he or she may encounter a career path with less choice and less flexible hours, extensive travel and limited control over work engagements. Alternatively, a professional who works as an independent contractor faces the ongoing task of sourcing assignments and significant administrative burdens, including potential tax and legal issues.

RGP's Solution

We believe RGP is ideally positioned to capitalize on the confluence of the industry shifts described above. We believe, based on discussions with our clients, that RGP provides the agility companies desire in today's highly competitive and quickly evolving business environment. Our solution offers the following elements:

- A relationship-oriented and collaborative approach to client service
- A professional dedicated talent acquisition and management team adept at developing, managing and deploying a project-based workforce
- Deep functional and/or technical experts who can assess clients' project needs and customize solutions to meet those needs
 - Highly qualified and pedigreed consultants with the requisite expertise, experience and points of view
 - Competitive rates on an hourly, rather than project, basis
 - Significant client control of their projects with effective knowledge transfer and change management

RGP's Strategic Priorities

Our Business Strategy

We are dedicated to serving our clients with highly qualified and experienced talent in support of projects and initiatives in a broad array of functional areas, including:

Transactions

- Integration and divestitures
- Bankruptcy/restructuring
- IPO readiness and support
- Financial process optimization
- System implementation

Transformations

- Finance transformation
- Digital transformation
- Supply chain management
- Cloud migration
- Data design and analytics

Regulations

- Accounting regulations
- Internal audit and compliance
- Data privacy and security
- Healthcare compliance
- Regulatory compliance

Our objective is to build RGP's reputation as the premier provider of agile human capital solutions for companies facing transformation, change and compliance challenges. We have developed the following business strategies to achieve our objectives:

- Hire and retain highly qualified, experienced consultants. We believe our highly qualified, experienced consultants provide us with a distinct competitive advantage. Therefore, one of our priorities is to continue to attract and retain high-caliber consultants who are committed to serving clients and solving their problems. We believe we have been successful in attracting and retaining qualified professionals by providing challenging work assignments, competitive compensation and benefits, and continuing professional development and learning opportunities as well as membership to an exclusive community of likeminded professionals, while offering flexible work schedules and more control over choosing client engagements.
- Maintain our distinctive culture. Our corporate culture is the foundation of our business strategy and we believe it has been a significant component of our success. Our senior management team, the majority of whom are Big Four, management consulting and/or Fortune 500 alumni, has created a culture that combines the commitment to quality and client service focus of a Big Four firm with the entrepreneurial energy of an innovative, high-growth company. We believe our shared values, embodied in "LIFE AT RGP", representing Loyalty, Integrity, Focus, Enthusiasm, Accountability and Talent, has created a circle of quality. Our Power of Human (pH) Competencies also bring the opportunity to help our people develop new mindsets, behaviors and actions that not only allow them to be successful in their current roles, but also empower them to take on new opportunities and challenges. Our culture is instrumental to our success in hiring and retaining highly qualified employees who, in turn, attract quality clients.
- Build consultative relationships with clients. We emphasize a relationship-oriented approach to business rather than a transaction-oriented or assignment-oriented approach. We believe the professional services experience of our management and consultants enables us to understand the needs of our clients and deliver an integrated, relationship-based approach to meeting those needs. Client relationships and needs are addressed from a client, not geographic, perspective. Our revenue team regularly meets with our existing and prospective clients to understand their business issues and help them define their project needs. Our talent team then identifies consultants with the appropriate skills and experience to meet the client's objectives. We believe that by establishing relationships with our clients to solve their professional service needs, we are more likely to identify new opportunities to serve them. The strength and depth of our client relationships is demonstrated by the approximately 80% retention rate of our top 100 clients over the last five years.
- Build the RGP brand. Our objective is to build RGP's reputation in the marketplace as the premier provider of agile human capital solutions for companies facing transformation, change and compliance challenges. We want to be the preferred provider in the future of work. Our primary means of building our brand continues to be the consistent and reliable delivery of high-quality, value-added services to our clients. We have also built a significant referral network through our 2,495 consultants and 938 management and administrative employees as of May 30, 2020. In addition, we have invested in global, regional and local marketing and brand activation efforts that reinforce the RGP brand.

Our Growth Strategy

Since inception, our growth has been primarily organic with certain strategic acquisitions along the way that supplemented our physical presence or solution offerings. We believe we have significant opportunity for continued organic growth in our core business and also to grow opportunistically through strategic and highly targeted acquisitions as the global economy starts to recover. In both our core and acquired businesses, key elements of our growth strategy include:

- Increased penetration of existing client base. A principal component of our strategy is to secure additional work from the clients we have served. We believe, based on discussions with our clients, the amount of revenue we currently generate from many of our clients represents a relatively small percentage of the total amount they spend on professional services. Consistent with current industry trends, we believe our clients may also continue to increase that spend as the global economy recovers and evolves. We believe that by continuing to deliver high-quality services and by further developing our relationships with our clients, we can capture a significantly larger share of our clients' professional services budgets. Near the end of fiscal 2017, we launched our Strategic Client Program to serve a number of our largest clients with dedicated global account teams. We believe this focus enhances our opportunities to develop in-depth knowledge of these clients' needs and the ability to increase the scope and size of projects with those clients.
- Growing our client base. We continue to focus on attracting new clients. We strive to develop new client relationships primarily by leveraging the significant contact networks of our management and consultants and through referrals from existing clients. We believe we can continue to attract new clients by building our brand identity and reputation, supplemented by our global, regional and local marketing efforts. We anticipate our growth efforts this year will focus on identifying strategic target accounts especially in the large and middle market client segments.

- Strategic acquisitions. Our acquisition strategy is to engage in targeted M&A efforts that are designed to enhance our digital transformation and technology consulting capabilities. In fiscal 2018, we acquired taskforce, Management on Demand AG ("taskforce") and substantially all of the assets and assumption of certain liabilities of Accretive Solutions, Inc. ("Accretive"). The acquisitions of taskforce and Accretive satisfied the need to better penetrate the vibrant economic market in Germany and gaps in serving middle market companies in the United States, respectively, while also harmonizing well with RGP's culture. In fiscal 2020, we acquired Veracity Consulting Group, LLC ("Veracity") and Expertforce Interim GmbH, LLC ("Expertence"). The acquisition of Veracity accelerated our stated object to enhance our digital capabilities and our ability to offer comprehensive digital innovation services. With the acquisition of Expertence, we are able to offer a full range of project and management consulting services in the German market.
- Providing additional professional service offerings. We continue to develop and consider entry into new professional service offerings. Since our founding, we have diversified our professional service offerings from a primary focus on accounting and finance to other areas in which our clients have significant needs such as integration and divestitures, bankruptcy and restructuring, financial process optimization, accounting regulations, internal audit and compliance, healthcare compliance, finance transformation, digital transformation, and data design and analytics. In fiscal 2017, we formed our Advisory and Project Services group (formerly known as "Integrated Solutions") to identify project opportunities we can market at a broader level with our talent, tools and methodologies. This group commercializes projects into solution offerings. Currently, our solutions practice is focused on finance transformation, digital transformation, data design and analytics, and system implementation. When evaluating new solutions offerings to market to current and prospective clients, we consider (among other things) cultural fit, growth potential, profitability, crossmarketing opportunities and competition.

COVID-19 Impact

Starting in January 2020, the outbreak of COVID-19 (the "Pandemic") has severely impacted the global economic climate, creating significant challenges and uncertainty in the operations of organizations around the world. We are closely monitoring the impact of the Pandemic on all aspects of our business, including how it impacts our employees and client engagements. While the extent to which our operations may be impacted by the Pandemic is still uncertain and depends largely on future developments, we believe the Pandemic adversely impacted our operating results in the second half of fiscal 2020 and expect the impact is going to continue into fiscal 2021. As further described in *Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations* below, we initiated our strategic business review in North America and Asia Pacific ahead of the Pandemic, and carried out a reduction in force in early March. We have substantially completed the restructuring initiatives in these markets in fiscal 2020. We believe these actions have enabled us to operate with greater agility as we seek to ensure our organizational health and resilience, and weather the challenges associated with the Pandemic.

Consultants

We believe an important component of our success has been our highly qualified and experienced consultant base. As of May 30, 2020, we employed or contracted 2,495 consultants engaged with clients. Our consultants have professional experience in a wide range of industries and functional areas. We provide our consultants with challenging work assignments, competitive compensation and benefits, and continuing professional development and learning opportunities, while offering more choice concerning work schedules and more control over choosing client engagements.

Almost all of our consultants in the United States are employees of RGP. We typically pay each consultant an hourly rate for each consulting hour worked and for certain administrative time and overtime premiums, and offer benefits, including: paid time off and holidays; a discretionary bonus program; group medical and dental programs, each with an approximate 30-50% contribution by the consultant; a basic term life insurance program; a 401(k) retirement plan with a discretionary company match; and professional development and career training. Typically, a consultant must work a threshold number of hours to be eligible for all of these benefits. In addition, we offer our consultants the ability to participate in our Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP"), which enables them to purchase shares of our stock at a discount. We intend to maintain competitive compensation and benefit programs. To a much lesser extent, we utilize a "bench model" for consultants with specialized in-demand skills and experience in our Advisory and Project Services group. These consultants are paid a weekly salary rather than for each consulting hour worked and have bonus eligibility based upon utilization.

Internationally, our consultants are a blend of employees and independent contractors. Independent contractor arrangements are more common abroad than in the United States due to the labor laws, tax regulations and customs of the international markets we serve. A few international practices also partially utilize the "bench model" described above.

Clients

We provide our services and solutions to a diverse client base in a broad range of industries. In fiscal 2020, we served over 2,400 clients in 37 countries. Our revenues are not concentrated with any particular client. No single customer accounted for more than 10% of revenue for the 2020, 2019 or 2018 fiscal years. In fiscal 2020, our 10 largest clients accounted for approximately 16% of our revenues.

Operations

We generally provide our professional services to clients at a local level, with the oversight of our market leaders and consultation of our corporate management team. The market leaders and client development directors in each market are responsible for initiating client relationships, ensuring client satisfaction throughout engagements, coordinating services for clients on a national and international platform and maintaining client relationships post-engagement. Market revenue leadership and their teams identify, develop and close new and existing client opportunities, often working in a coordinated effort with other markets on multinational/multi-location proposals.

Market level leadership works closely with our regionalized talent management team, who are responsible for identifying, hiring and cultivating a sustainable relationship with seasoned professionals fitting the RGP profile of client needs. Our consultant recruiting efforts are regionally and nationally based, depending upon the skill set required; talent management handles both the identification and hiring of consultants specifically skilled to perform client projects as well as monitoring the satisfaction of consultants during and post-completion of assignments. The talent teams focus on getting the right talent in the right place at the right time.

We believe a substantial portion of the buying decisions made by our clients are made on a local or regional basis and our offices most often compete with other professional services providers on a local or regional basis. We continue to believe our local market leaders are well-positioned to understand the local and regional outsourced professional services market. Additionally, the complexity of relationships with many of our multinational clients also dictates that in some circumstances a hybrid model, bringing the best of both locally driven relationships as well as global focus and delivery, is important for employee and client satisfaction. Through our Borderless Talent Initiative, which we are in the process of implementing, we are seeking to capitalize on our multinational clients' needs for a service provider that can partner with them on a global basis by organizing the concerted effort and talent team on a global basis to serve these clients through one integrated service platform. For projects requiring intimate knowledge and thought leadership on particular client concerns, our Advisory and Project Services group consists of individuals with requisite depth of expertise and tools to work with clients.

We believe our ability to deliver professional services successfully to clients is dependent on our leaders in the field working together as a collegial and collaborative team. To build a sense of team spirit and increase camaraderie among our leaders, we have a program for field personnel that awards annual incentives based on specific agreed-to goals focused on the performance of the individual and performance of the Company. We also share across the Company the best and most effective practices of our highest achieving offices and use this as an introductory tool with new vice presidents and directors. New leadership also spends time in other markets or otherwise partners with experienced sales and recruiting personnel in those markets to understand, among many skills, how best to serve current clients, expand our presence with prospects and identify and recruit highly qualified consultants. This allows the veteran leadership to share their success stories, foster our culture with new vice presidents and directors and review specific client and consultant development programs. We believe these team-based practices enable us to better serve clients who prefer a centrally organized service approach.

From our corporate headquarters in Irvine, California, we provide centralized administrative, marketing, finance, human resources ("HR"), information technology ("IT"), legal and real estate support. Our financial reporting is also centralized in our corporate service center. This center handles invoicing, accounts payable and collections, and administers HR services including employee compensation and benefits administration for North American offices. We also have a business support operations center in our Utrecht, Netherlands office to provide centralized finance, HR, IT, payroll and legal support to our European offices. We share our Salesforce software platform world-wide, providing a common database of identified opportunities, prospective new clients, and existing client proposals for additional projects. In addition, in North America, we have a corporate networked IT platform with centralized financial reporting capabilities and a front office client management system. These centralized functions minimize the administrative burdens on our office management and allow them to spend more time focusing on client and consultant development.

Business Development

Our business development initiatives are composed of:

- local and global initiatives focused on existing clients and target companies
- national and international targeting efforts focused on multinational companies
- brand marketing activities
- national and local advertising and direct mail programs

Our business development efforts are driven by the networking and sales efforts of our management. While local senior management focus on market-related activities, they are also part of the regional, national and international sales efforts, especially when the client is part of a multinational entity. In certain markets, sales efforts are also enhanced by management professionals focused solely on business development efforts on a market and national basis based on firm-wide and industry-focused initiatives. These business development professionals, teamed with the vice-presidents and client service teams, are responsible for initiating and fostering relationships with the senior management and decision makers of our targeted client companies. During fiscal 2018, we completed our implementation of software from Salesforce.com on a world-wide basis to enhance our local and worldwide business development efforts.

We believe our national marketing efforts have effectively generated incremental revenues from existing clients and developed new client relationships. Our brand marketing initiatives help bolster RGP's reputation in the markets we serve. Our brand is reinforced by our professionally designed website, print, and online advertising, direct marketing, seminars, initiative-oriented brochures, social media and public relations efforts. We believe our branding initiatives, coupled with our high-quality client service, help to differentiate us from our competitors and to establish RGP as a credible and reputable global professional services firm.

Competition

We operate in a competitive, fragmented market and compete for clients and consultants with a variety of organizations that offer similar services. Our principal competitors include:

- consulting firms
- local, regional, national and international accounting and other traditional professional services firms
- independent contractors
- traditional and Internet-based staffing firms
- the in-house or former in-house resources of our clients

We compete for clients on the basis of the quality of professionals we bring to our clients, the knowledge base they possess, our ability to mobilize the right talent quickly, the scope and price of services, and the geographic reach of services. We believe our attractive value proposition, consisting of our highly qualified consultants, relationship-oriented approach and professional culture, enables us to compete effectively in the marketplace.

Employees

As of May 30, 2020, we had 3,433 employees, including 938 management and administrative employees and 2,495 consultants. Our employees are not covered by any collective bargaining agreements.

Price Range of Common Stock

Effective April 2, 2020, we changed our ticker symbol from "RECN" to "RGP" and began trading on the Nasdaq Capital Market under this new ticker symbol. We changed our ticker symbol when RGP became available, as it aligns directly with our trade name, Resources Global Professionals or RGP. Prior to this change in ticker symbol, our common stock had traded on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol "RECN" since December 15, 2000. As of July 8, 2020, the last reported sales price on Nasdaq of our common stock was \$11.40 per share and the approximate number of holders of record of our common stock was 47 (a holder of record is the name of an individual or entity that an issuer carries in its records as the registered holder (not necessarily the beneficial owner) of the issuer's securities).

Dividend Policy

Our board of directors has established a quarterly dividend, subject to quarterly board of directors' approval. Pursuant to declaration and approval by our board of directors, we declared a dividend of \$0.14 per share of common stock during each quarter in fiscal 2020, \$0.13 per share of common stock during each quarter in fiscal 2019, and \$0.12 per share of common stock during each quarter in fiscal 2018. On April 15, 2020, our board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.14 per share of our common stock. The dividend was paid on June 10, 2020 to stockholders of record at the close of business on May 13, 2020. Continuation of the quarterly dividend will be at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend upon our financial condition, results of operations, capital requirements, general business condition, contractual restrictions contained in our current or future credit agreements and other agreements, and other factors deemed relevant by our board of directors.

Purchases of Equity Securities

In July 2015, our board of directors approved a stock repurchase program (the "July 2015 Program"), authorizing the purchase, at the discretion of our senior executives, of our common stock for an aggregate dollar limit not to exceed \$150.0 million. Subject to the aggregate dollar limit, the currently authorized stock repurchase program does not have an expiration date. Repurchases under the program may take place in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions and may be made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan.

There were no repurchases of our common stock during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020.

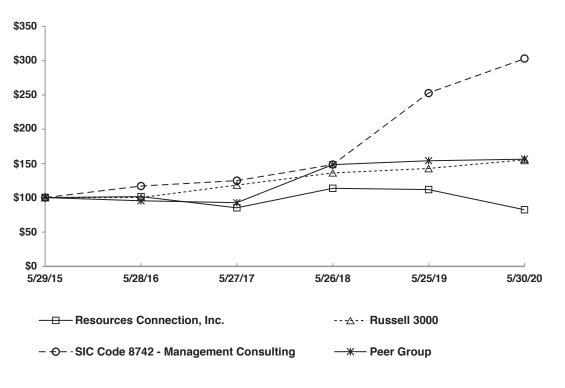
Performance Graph

Set forth below is a line graph comparing the annual percentage change in the cumulative total return to the holders of our common stock with the cumulative total return of the Russell 3000 Index, a customized peer group consisting of eight companies listed below the following table and a combined classification of companies under Standard Industry Codes as 8742-Management Consulting Services for the five years ended May 30, 2020. The graph assumes \$100 was invested at market close on May 29, 2015 in our common stock and in each index (based on prices from the close of trading on May 29, 2015), and that all dividends are reinvested. Stockholder returns over the indicated period may not be indicative of future stockholder returns.

The information contained in the performance graph shall not be deemed to be "soliciting material" or to be "filed" with the SEC, nor shall such information be incorporated by reference into any future filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except to the extent that we specifically incorporate it by reference into such filing.

COMPARISON OF 5 YEAR CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN*

Among Resources Connection, Inc., the Russell 3000 Index, SIC Code 8742 - Management Consulting and Peer Group



^{*\$100} invested on 5/29/15 in stock or index, including reinvestment of dividends. Index calculated on a month end basis.

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| | M | ay 29, 2015 | May 28, 2016 | | | May 27, 2017 | May 26, 2018 | | | May 25, 2019 | May 30, 2020 | |
| Resources Connection, Inc. | \$ | 100.00 | \$ | 101.40 | \$ | 85.13 | \$ | 113.72 | \$ | 111.76 | \$ | 82.30 |
| Russell 3000 | \$ | 100.00 | \$ | 100.25 | \$ | 118.19 | \$ | 136.28 | \$ | 142.80 | \$ | 155.05 |
| SIC Code 8742 - Management Consulting | \$ | 100.00 | \$ | 116.93 | \$ | 124.98 | \$ | 148.25 | \$ | 252.99 | \$ | 302.85 |
| Peer Group | \$ | 100.00 | \$ | 95.52 | \$ | 92.62 | \$ | 148.43 | \$ | 153.60 | \$ | 156.23 |

Our customized peer group includes the following eight professional services companies that we believe reflect the competitive landscape in which we operate and acquire talent: CRA International, Inc.; FTI Consulting, Inc.; Heidrick & Struggles International, Inc.; Hudson Global, Inc.; Huron Consulting Group Inc.; ICF International, Inc.; Kforce, Inc.; and Korn Ferry. Navigant Consulting, Inc. is no longer included in our customized peer group due to its acquisition by Veritas Capital-backed Guidehouse in October 2019. Our compensation committee, a committee of our board of directors comprised of independent directors, reviews the composition of the peer group annually to ensure its alignment with our size, practice areas, business model delivery and geographic reach.

SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following selected historical consolidated financial data should be read in conjunction with our Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes in Item 8 "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" and Item 7 "Management's Discussion and

Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in Part II of this Annual Report. The Consolidated Statements of Operations data for the years ended May 27, 2017 and May 28, 2016 and the Consolidated Balance Sheet data at May 26, 2018, May 27, 2017 and May 28, 2016 were derived from our audited Consolidated Financial Statements that are not included in this Annual Report. The Consolidated Statements of Operations data for the years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018 and the Consolidated Balance Sheet data at May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019 were derived from our audited Consolidated Financial Statements that are included elsewhere in this Annual Report. Historical results are not necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for any future periods. The fiscal year ended May 30, 2020 consisted of 53 weeks. All other years presented consisted of 52 weeks.

| | | | | Yea | ars Ended | | | | |
|---------------------|--------------|--|--|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| May 30, 2020 (1) | | | May 25, 2019 | | | May 27, 2017 | I | May 28, 2016 | |
| (In t | thousands, e | xcept | per common | share | e, number of | office | s and numbe | r of c | onsultants) |
| \$ | 703,353 | \$ | 728,999 | \$ | 654,129 | \$ | 583,411 | \$ | 598,521 |
| \$ | 36,652 | \$ | 50,159 | \$ | 30,624 | \$ | 34,402 | \$ | 53,803 |
| \$ | 28,285 | \$ | 31,470 | \$ | 18,826 | \$ | 18,651 | \$ | 30,443 |
| | | | | | | | | | _ |
| \$ | 0.88 | \$ | 1.00 | \$ | 0.61 | \$ | 0.57 | \$ | 0.82 |
| \$ | 0.88 | \$ | 0.98 | \$ | 0.60 | \$ | 0.56 | \$ | 0.81 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | 31,989 | | 31,596 | | 30,741 | | 32,851 | | 37,037 |
| | 32,227 | | 32,207 | | 31,210 | | 33,471 | | 37,608 |
| \$ | 0.56 | \$ | 0.52 | \$ | 0.48 | \$ | 0.44 | \$ | 0.40 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | 63 | | 73 | | 74 | | 67 | | 68 |
| | 2,495 | | 2,965 | | 3,247 | | 2,569 | | 2,511 |
| \$ | 17,581 | \$ | 16,158 | \$ | 14,269 | \$ | 14,157 | \$ | 14,085 |
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| | May 30, 2020 | May 25, 2019 | | May 26, 2018 | | May 27, 2017 | May 28, 2016 |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|-----|-----------------|---------------------|
| | | (Aı | noun | ts in thousan | ds) | | |
| Total assets | \$ 529,181 | \$ 428,370 | \$ | 432,674 | \$ | 364,128 | \$ 417,255 |
| Long-term debt | \$ 88,000 | \$ 43,000 | \$ | 63,000 | \$ | 48,000 | \$ - |
| Stockholders' equity | \$ 303,661 | \$ 282,396 | \$ | 268,825 | \$ | 238,142 | \$ 342,649 |

⁽¹⁾ See Note 3 – Acquisitions and Dispositions in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in Part II, Item 8 of this Annual Report for discussions on our acquisitions of Expertence and Veracity during fiscal 2020 and taskforce and Accretive during fiscal 2018.

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

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our financial statements and related notes. This discussion and analysis contain forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors including, but not limited to, those discussed in Part I, Item 1A. "Risk Factors." in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended May 30, 2020 and elsewhere in this Annual Report.

Overview

RGP is a global consulting firm that enables rapid business outcomes by bringing together the right people to create transformative change. As a human capital partner for our clients, we specialize in solving today's most pressing business problems across the enterprise in the areas of transactions, regulations and transformations. Our engagements are designed to leverage human connection and collaboration to deliver practical solutions and more impactful results that power our clients', consultants' and partners' success. See Part 1, Item 1 "Business" for further discussions about our business and operations.

Key Transformation Initiatives

Starting in fiscal 2017 and continuing through fiscal 2019, we completed a number of transformative enterprise initiatives including cultivating a more robust sales culture, adopting a new operating model for sales, talent and delivery in North America, refreshing the RGP brand and establishing a digital innovation function focusing on building and commercializing our digital engagement platform and product offerings and enhancing our consulting capabilities in the digital transformation space.

To optimize our sales organization, we aligned our sales process using tools such as Salesforce.com and implemented a new incentive compensation program focused on driving growth in our business with the appropriate metrics. In addition, we expanded our Strategic Client Program, which assigns dedicated account teams to certain high-profile clients with global operations.

Under the new operating model in North America, we realigned reporting relationships, largely defined by functional area rather than on an office location basis. We reorganized our Advisory and Project Services function, a team of seller-doer professionals whose primary responsibility is to shepherd sales pursuits and engagement delivery on our more complex projects. We believe this team deepens the scoping conversation, achieves value-oriented pricing and improves delivery management through greater accountability and a more seamless customer experience.

In fiscal 2019, through an extensive brand refresh project led by an outside firm, we adopted a new brand identity focused on our human-centered approach to serving clients and engaging with our consultants. We believe the development of our new brand will support future revenue growth.

Fiscal 2020 Strategic Focus Areas

In fiscal 2020, we continued to strengthen our core by further investing in digital innovation, both organically and through a strategic acquisition, while simultaneously forging ahead in our transformation journey with a deep and global strategic business review.

In July 2019, we acquired Veracity Consulting Group, LLC ("Veracity"), a fast-growing, digital transformation firm based in Richmond, Virginia. This important strategic acquisition allows RGP to offer comprehensive end-to-end digital transformation solutions to clients by combining Veracity's customer-facing offerings with our depth of experience in back-office solutions. In addition, during fiscal 2020, we continued to invest in our digital engagement platform which is on track to launch in fiscal 2021.

During the first quarter of fiscal 2020, we evaluated certain European markets and determined that we would no longer operate in certain markets based on their client base. As a result, we sold certain assets and liabilities of our foreign subsidiary, Resources Global Professionals Sweden AB ("RGP Sweden") and exited from the Belgium market, including its wholly own subsidiary in Luxemburg, as well as Norway.

During the third quarter of fiscal 2020, we further performed a deep and strategic review of our global business beginning in North America and Asia Pacific, and committed to a global restructuring and business transformation plan (the "Plan"), centered on strengthening the business for greater agility and resilience in anticipation of macroeconomic volatility. The Plan consists of two key components: an effort to streamline our management structure and eliminate non-essential positions to focus on core solution offerings,

improve efficiency and enhance the employee experience; and a strategic rationalization of our physical geographic footprint and real estate spend to focus investment dollars in high growth core markets for greater impact.

Through the remainder of fiscal 2020, we completed a reduction in force ("RIF") pursuant to the first component of the Plan, eliminating 73 positions in North America and Asia Pacific. In connection with the RIF, we incurred \$3.9 million of employee termination costs in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020, of which \$2.0 million was paid at the end of fiscal 2020. An additional \$1.7 million is expected to be paid in fiscal 2021.

The real estate component of the Plan, specifically to shrink our real estate footprint by 26% globally through either lease termination or subleasing, has afforded us a head start in managing the impact of the Pandemic. As a result of the work we did in the third quarter of fiscal 2020 preparing for a shift to virtual operations in connection with office closures, we were able to seamlessly pivot to a virtual operating model when the Pandemic hit in March, supported by a robust array of enhanced technical tools which enabled remote work. During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020, we incurred \$1.1 million of non-cash charges relating to lease terminations and other costs associated with exiting the facilities, including \$0.6 million in impairment of our operating right-of-use assets and \$0.5 million in loss on disposal of fixed assets. We expect to incur additional restructuring charges in fiscal 2021 as we continue to exit certain real estate leases in accordance with the Plan. The exact amount and timing will depend on a number of variables, including market conditions. Given the current macro environment, particularly the current shift away from commercial real estate occupancy, accelerated by the Pandemic, we are seeing challenges in our effort to sublet our real estate facilities. As a result, we believe it could take longer and be more costly to terminate and sublet our leases, therefore taking longer to realize the expected savings.

We expect to realize \$10.0 million to \$12.0 million of savings in fiscal 2021 as a result of the Plan.

All of the employee termination costs and the facility exit costs associated with our restructuring initiatives that we incurred in fiscal 2020 are recorded in selling, general, and administrative expenses in our Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended May 30, 2020.

During the first quarter of fiscal 2021, we started the strategic business review in Europe, and currently expect to substantially complete the review and restructuring in Europe in fiscal 2021.

COVID-19 Impact and Outlook

Since the start of calendar 2020, the COVID-19 virus has spread to many of the countries in which we and our customers conduct business. Governments throughout the world have implemented, and may continue to implement, stay-at-home orders, proclamations and directives aimed at minimizing the spread of the COVID-19 virus. The impact of the Pandemic and the resulting restrictions have caused disruptions in the U.S. and global economy and may continue to disrupt financial markets and global economic activities. We have taken precautions and steps to prevent or reduce infection among our employees, including limiting business travel and mandating working from home in many of the countries in which we operate. While our overall productivity remained high through the end of fiscal 2020, these measures may disrupt our normal business operations and negatively impact our productivity and our ability to efficiently serve our clients. As events relating to COVID-19 continue to develop and evolve globally, there is significant uncertainty as to the full likely effects of the Pandemic, which may, among other things, reduce demand for or delay client decisions to procure our services or result in cancellation of existing projects. While the exact impact from the Pandemic is not quantifiable, our results of operations and cash flows were adversely impacted in the latter half of fiscal 2020. During the last 12 non-holiday weeks in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020, which started with the week ended March 7, 2020, our average weekly revenue declined 9.1% compared to the first eight non-holiday weeks of the 2020 calendar year. Our number of consultants also decreased from 2,965 as of May 25, 2019 to 2,495 as of May 30, 2020. Due to the disruption of business operations in the U.S. and globally, we have also seen some softening in our pipeline globally. Although we do not expect the Pandemic to have a permanent impact on our business operations, we cannot estimate the length or the magnitude of the Pandemic and how this might affect our customers' demand for our services and our ability to continue to operate efficiently. We believe the Pandemic could continue to have an adverse impact on our results of operations and financial position in fiscal 2021. We are uncertain whether future effects of the Pandemic will be similar to what we have experienced in fiscal 2020. We continue to monitor relevant business metrics, such as daily and weekly revenue run rate, pipeline activities, rate of consultant attrition and days sales outstanding, and have implemented the appropriate modifications to our normal operations. Until we have further visibility into the full impact of the pandemic on the global economy, we will remain focused on the health of our balance sheet and liquidity. We will make prudent decisions to reinvest in the business to drive key growth initiatives in core markets and the expansion of our digital capabilities. We believe the restructuring initiatives that we took in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020 have better prepared us to operate with agility and resilience in this challenging economic environment.

Our primary source of liquidity historically has been cash provided by our operations and our \$120.0 million secured revolving credit facility ("Facility") which expires on October 17, 2021. As of May 30, 2020, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$95.6 million, and additional availability under our Facility of \$30.7 million. During the year ended May 30, 2020, we also continued to generate

positive cash flow from operations and we believe the collection and quality of our customer receivables remain strong. Given our balance sheet and liquidity position, we believe we have the financial flexibility and resources needed to operate in the current uncertain economic environment. However, if global economic conditions worsen as a result of the Pandemic, it could materially impact our liquidity position and capital needs, although we believe our variable expense operating model serves to mitigate both operational and liquidity risk. See "—Liquidity and Capital Resources" below.

On March 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") was enacted in the U.S. in response to the Pandemic. The CARES Act includes, among other things, direct financial assistance to Americans in the form of cash payments to individuals, aid to small businesses in the form of loans, and other tax incentives in an effort to stabilize the U.S. economy and keep Americans employed. We have not filed, and currently do not intend to file, for funding provided by the CARES Act. In the U.S., we have deferred \$2.9 million in payroll tax payments through the end of fiscal 2020. We do not believe the income tax provisions such as changes to the net operating loss rules included in the CARES Act will have a material impact on us. We have not received, and do not expect to receive, significant government-provided relief or stimulus funding in other parts of the world.

Critical Accounting Policies

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our Consolidated Financial Statements, which have been prepared in accordance with GAAP in the United States. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period.

We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying value of assets and liabilities. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

The following represents a summary of our critical accounting policies, defined as those policies we believe: (a) are the most important to the portrayal of our financial condition and results of operations and (b) involve inherently uncertain issues that require management's most subjective or complex judgments.

Allowance for doubtful accounts — We maintain an allowance for doubtful accounts for estimated losses resulting from our clients failing to make required payments for services rendered. We estimate this allowance based upon our knowledge of the financial condition of our clients (which may not include knowledge of all significant events), review of historical receivable and reserve trends and other pertinent information. While such losses have historically been within our expectations and the provisions established, we cannot guarantee we will continue to experience the same credit loss rates we have in the past. A significant change in the liquidity or financial position of our clients could cause unfavorable trends in receivable collections and additional allowances may be required. These additional allowances could materially affect our future financial results.

Income taxes — In order to prepare our Consolidated Financial Statements, we are required to make estimates of income taxes, if applicable, in each jurisdiction in which we operate. The process incorporates an assessment of any current tax exposure together with temporary differences resulting from different treatment of transactions for tax and financial statement purposes. These differences result in deferred tax assets and liabilities that are included in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. The recovery of deferred tax assets from future taxable income must be assessed and, to the extent recovery is not likely, we will establish a valuation allowance. An increase in the valuation allowance results in recording additional tax expense and any such adjustment may materially affect our future financial result. If the ultimate tax liability differs from the amount of tax expense we have reflected in the Consolidated Statements of Operations, an adjustment of tax expense may need to be recorded and this adjustment may materially affect our future financial results and financial condition. We also evaluate our uncertain tax positions and only recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from such positions are measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than 50 percentage likelihood of being realized upon settlement. We record a liability for unrecognized tax benefits resulting from uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. Any change in judgment related to the expected ultimate resolution of uncertain tax positions is recognized in earnings in the period in which such change occurs.

Revenue recognition — Revenues are recognized when control of the promised service is transferred to our clients, in an amount that reflects the consideration expected in exchange for the services. Revenue is recorded net of sales or other transaction taxes collected from clients and remitted to taxing authorities. Revenues from contracts are recognized over time, based on hours worked by our professionals. The performance of the agreed-upon service over time is the single performance obligation for revenues. Certain clients may receive discounts (for example, volume discounts or rebates) to the amounts billed. These discounts or rebates are

considered variable consideration. Management evaluates the facts and circumstances of each contract and client relationship to estimate the variable consideration assessing the most likely amount to recognize and considering management's expectation of the volume of services to be provided over the applicable period. Rebates are the largest component of variable consideration and are estimated using the most likely amount method prescribed by Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 606, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, contracts terms and estimates of revenue. Revenues are recognized net of variable consideration to the extent that it is probable that a significant reversal of revenues will not occur in subsequent periods.

Stock-based compensation — Under our 2014 Performance Incentive Plan, officers, employees, and outside directors have received or may receive grants of restricted stock, stock units, options to purchase common stock or other stock or stock-based awards. Under our Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP"), eligible officers and employees may purchase our common stock in accordance with the terms of the plan.

We estimate the fair value of share-based payment awards on the date of grant using an option-pricing model. We determine the estimated value of restricted stock awards using the closing price of our common stock on the date of grant. We have elected to use the Black-Scholes option-pricing model for our stock options and stock-based awards as well as stock issued under our ESPP which takes into account assumptions regarding a number of highly complex and subjective variables. These variables include the expected stock price volatility over the term of the awards and actual and projected employee stock option exercise behaviors. Additional variables to be considered are the expected term, expected dividends and the risk-free interest rate over the expected term of our employee stock options. In addition, because stock-based compensation expense recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Operations is based on awards ultimately expected to vest, it is reduced for estimated forfeitures. Forfeitures are estimated at the time of grant and revised, if necessary, in subsequent periods if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates. Forfeitures are estimated based on historical experience. If facts and circumstances change and we employ different assumptions in future periods, the compensation expense recorded may differ materially from the amount recorded in the current period.

We use our historical volatility over the expected life of the stock option award and ESPP to estimate the expected volatility of the price of our common stock. The risk-free interest rate assumption is based upon observed interest rates appropriate for the term of our employee stock options. The impact of expected dividends (\$0.14 per share for each quarter during fiscal 2020, \$0.13 per share for each quarter during fiscal 2019, and \$0.12 per share for each quarter during fiscal 2018) is also incorporated in determining the estimated value per share of employee stock option grants and purchases under our ESPP. Such dividends are subject to quarterly board of director approval. Our expected life of stock option grants is 5.6 years for non-officers and 8.1 years for officers, and the expected life of grants under our ESPP is 6 months. We review the underlying assumptions related to stock-based compensation at least annually or more frequently if we believe triggering events exist.

Valuation of long-lived assets — We assess the potential impairment of long-lived tangible and intangible assets periodically or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable from the estimated undiscounted expected future cash flows expected to result from their use and eventual disposition. In cases where the estimated undiscounted expected future cash flows are less than net book value, an impairment loss is recognized equal to the amount by which the net book value exceeds the estimated fair value of assets. Estimating future cash flows requires significant judgment, and our projections may vary from the cash flows eventually realized. Future events and unanticipated changes to assumptions could result in an impairment in the future. Although the impairment is a non-cash expense, it could materially affect our future financial results and financial condition. Identifiable intangible assets are amortized over their lives, typically ranging from 17 months to ten years.

Valuation of goodwill – Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the net identifiable assets acquired in a business combination. We evaluate goodwill for impairment annually on the last day of the fiscal year, and whenever events indicate that it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit could be less than its carrying amount. We operate under one reporting unit resulting from the combination of our practice offices. We early adopted Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2017-04 Intangibles-Goodwill and Other (Topic 350): Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment ("ASU 2017-04") on May 26, 2019, the first day of fiscal 2020. ASU 2017-04 eliminates step two of the goodwill impairment test and specifies that goodwill impairment should be measured by comparing the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount. Under ASU 2017-04, we compare the fair value and the carrying value of our reporting unit to assess and measure goodwill impairment. There was no goodwill impairment for fiscal 2020. Depending on future market values of our stock, our operating performance and other factors, the assessment could potentially result in an impairment in the future. Although the impairment is a non-cash expense, it could materially affect our future financial results and financial condition.

Business combinations — We allocate the fair value of the purchase consideration of our acquisitions to the tangible assets, liabilities, and intangible assets acquired based on their estimated fair values. Purchase price allocations for business acquisitions require significant judgments, particularly with regards to the determination of value of identifiable assets, liabilities, and goodwill. Often third-party specialists are used to assist in valuations requiring complex estimation. The excess of the fair value of purchase

consideration over the fair values of these identifiable assets and liabilities is recorded as goodwill. Acquisition-related expenses are recognized separately from the business combination and are expensed as incurred.

Purchase agreements related to certain business acquisitions may include provisions for the payment of additional cash consideration if certain future performance conditions are met. These contingent consideration arrangements are recognized at their acquisition date fair value and included as part of the purchase price at the acquisition date. These contingent consideration arrangements are classified as accrued liabilities or other long-term liabilities in our Consolidated Balance Sheets and are remeasured to fair value at each reporting period, with any change in fair value being recognized in the applicable period's results of operations. Measuring the fair value of contingent consideration at the acquisition date, and for all subsequent remeasurement periods, requires a careful examination of the facts and circumstances to determine the probable resolution of the contingency(ies). The estimated fair value of the contingent consideration is based primarily on our estimates of meeting the applicable contingency conditions as per the terms of the applicable agreements. These include estimates of various operating performance and other measures and our assessment of the probability of meeting such results, with the probability-weighted earn-out then discounted to estimate fair value.

Results of Operations

The following tables set forth, for the periods indicated, our Consolidated Statements of Operations data. These historical results are not necessarily indicative of future results.

Our operating results for the periods indicated are expressed as a percentage of revenue below. The fiscal year ended May 30, 2020 consisted of 53 weeks. All other fiscal years presented consisted of 52 weeks.

| | | | | F | or the Years E | nded | | | |
|--|----|---------|--------|----|----------------|--------|----|---------|--------|
| | | May 30, | | | May 25, | | | May 26, | |
| | | 2020 | | | 2019 | | | 2018 | |
| | | | ages) | | | | | | |
| Revenue | \$ | 703,353 | 100.0% | \$ | 728,999 | 100.0% | \$ | 654,129 | 100.0% |
| Direct cost of services | | 427,870 | 60.8 | | 446,560 | 61.3 | | 408,074 | 62.4 |
| Gross margin | | 275,483 | 39.2 | | 282,439 | 38.7 | | 246,055 | 37.6 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | | 228,067 | 32.4 | | 223,802 | 30.7 | | 209,042 | 32.0 |
| Amortization of intangible assets | | 5,745 | 0.8 | | 3,799 | 0.5 | | 2,298 | 0.4 |
| Depreciation expense | | 5,019 | 0.8 | | 4,679 | 0.6 | | 4,091 | 0.6 |
| Income from operations | | 36,652 | 5.2 | | 50,159 | 6.9 | | 30,624 | 4.6 |
| Interest expense, net | | 2,061 | 0.3 | | 2,190 | 0.3 | | 1,735 | 0.3 |
| Other income | | (637) | (0.1) | | - | - | | - | - |
| Income before provision for income taxes | - | 35,228 | 5.0 | - | 47,969 | 6.6 | | 28,889 | 4.3 |
| Provision for income taxes | | 6,943 | 1.0 | | 16,499 | 2.3 | | 10,063 | 1.5 |
| Net income | \$ | 28,285 | 4.0% | \$ | 31,470 | 4.3% | \$ | 18,826 | 2.8% |

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

We use certain non-GAAP financial measures to assess our financial and operating performance that are not defined by, or calculated in accordance with GAAP. A non-GAAP financial measure is defined as a numerical measure of a company's financial performance that (i) excludes amounts, or is subject to adjustments that have the effect of excluding amounts, that are included in the comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP in the Consolidated Statements of Operations; or (ii) includes amounts, or is subject to adjustments that have the effect of including amounts, that are excluded from the comparable measure so calculated and presented.

Our primary non-GAAP financial measures are listed below and reflect how we evaluate our operating results.

- Constant currency applied to both GAAP revenue and Non-GAAP revenue, as defined herein, represents the outcome that would have resulted had exchange rates in the reported period been the same as those in effect in the comparable prior period.
- Organic revenue is calculated as GAAP revenue less revenues from acquired businesses and revenues related to businesses that the Company disposed of either through sale or abandonment.
- Same day organic revenue is calculated as organic revenue, divided by the number of business days in the current period, multiplied by the number of business days in the comparable prior period. For example, North America organic revenue for fiscal 2020 on the same day basis as fiscal 2019 is calculated as North America organic revenue for fiscal 2020 of \$561.4

- million divided by the 258 business days in North America in the current year, multiplied by the 254 business days in North America in fiscal 2019. The number of days in each respective year is provided in "Year Ended May 30, 2020 Compared to Year Ended May 29, 2019" below.
- Adjusted EBITDA is calculated as net income before amortization of intangible assets, depreciation expense, interest and income taxes plus stock-based compensation expense, restructuring costs, and plus or minus contingent consideration adjustments.
- Adjusted EBITDA margin is calculated by dividing Adjusted EBITDA by revenue.

Organic Revenue and Same Day Organic Revenue

Organic revenue and same day organic revenue assist management in evaluating revenue trends on a more comparable and consistent basis. We believe these measures also provide more clarity to our investors in evaluating our core operating performance and facilitate a comparison of such performance from period to period. The following table presents the organic revenue for the periods indicated and includes a reconciliation of the organic revenue to revenue, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure. Amounts are stated in thousands:

| | | For the Yo | ears Ende | ed |
|---|-----------|----------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Organic Revenue | | ay 30, 2020 | | May 25, 2019 |
| Revenue (GAAP) | | (Ur | naudited) | |
| North America | \$ | 580,185 | \$ | 593,799 |
| Asia Pacific | | 48,622 | | 48,845 |
| Europe | | 74,546 | | 86,355 |
| Total revenue | <u>\$</u> | 703,353 | \$ | 728,999 |
| Less: Impact of Acquisitions and Dispositions | | | | |
| North America (1) | \$ | 18,817 | \$ | - |
| Asia Pacific | | - | | - |
| Europe (2) | | 2,712 | | 12,136 |
| Total revenue | <u>\$</u> | 21,529 | \$ | 12,136 |
| Organic Revenue | | | | |
| North America | \$ | 561,368 | \$ | 593,799 |
| Asia Pacific | | 48,622 | | 48,845 |
| Europe | | 71,834 | | 74,219 |
| Total revenue | \$ | 681,824 | \$ | 716,863 |

- (1) Related to Veracity
- (2) Related to Nordics and Belgium

Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Margin

Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Margin assist management in assessing our core operating performance. We also believe these measures provide investors with useful perspective on underlying business results and trends and facilitate a comparison of our performance from period to period. The following table presents Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Margin for the periods indicated and includes a reconciliation of such measures to net income, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure:

| | | | For the | e Years Ended | | |
|-------------------------------------|----|---------|-------------|--------------------|------------|---------|
| | I | May 30, | I | May 25, | I | May 26, |
| | | 2020 | | 2019 | | 2018 |
| | | (Amou | ınts in tho | usands, except per | rcentages) | |
| Net income | \$ | 28,285 | \$ | 31,470 | \$ | 18,826 |
| Adjustments: | | | | | | |
| Amortization of intangible assets | | 5,745 | | 3,799 | | 2,298 |
| Depreciation expense | | 5,019 | | 4,679 | | 4,091 |
| Interest expense, net | | 2,061 | | 2,190 | | 1,735 |
| Provision for income taxes | | 6,943 | | 16,499 | | 10,063 |
| Stock-based compensation expense | | 6,057 | | 6,570 | | 6,033 |
| Restructuring costs | | 4,982 | | - | | - |
| Contingent consideration adjustment | | 794 | | (590) | | - |
| Adjusted EBITDA | \$ | 59,886 | \$ | 64,617 | \$ | 43,046 |
| Revenue | \$ | 703,353 | \$ | 728,999 | \$ | 654,129 |
| Adjusted EBITDA Margin | | 8.5% | | 8.9% | | 6.6% |

Our non-GAAP financial measures are not measurements of financial performance or liquidity under GAAP and should not be considered in isolation or construed as substitutes for revenue, net income or other cash flow data prepared in accordance with GAAP for purposes of analyzing our revenue, profitability or liquidity. These measures should be considered in addition to, and not as a substitute for, revenue, net income, earnings per share, cash flows or other measures of financial performance prepared in conformity with GAAP.

Further, a limitation of our non-GAAP financial measures is they exclude items detailed above that have an impact on our GAAP reported results. Other companies in our industry may calculate these non-GAAP financial measures differently than we do, limiting their usefulness as a comparative measure.

Because of these limitations, these non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered a substitute for performance measures calculated in accordance with GAAP.

Year Ended May 30, 2020 Compared to Year Ended May 25, 2019

Amounts are in millions unless otherwise stated. Percentage change computations are based upon amounts in thousands.

Revenue. Revenue decreased \$25.6 million, or 3.5%, to \$703.4 million for the year ended May 30, 2020 from \$729.0 million for the year ended May 25, 2019. Billable hours decreased by 3.3% in fiscal 2020 as compared to fiscal 2019, while average bill rate remained relatively consistent between the two periods. Results in fiscal 2020 consisted of 53 weeks while fiscal 2019 consisted of 52 weeks.

The following table represents revenue, organic revenue, and same day organic revenue for our major geographies across the globe, and the number of business days in each geography:

| | | | Revenue For the | Years End | ed | | |
|------------------------|-----|---------|------------------|--------------|-------------|---------|---------|
| | | May 30, | | | May 25, | | % |
| | | 2020 | | | 2019 | | Change |
| GAAP | | (Am | ounts in thousan | ds, except p | ercentages) | - | |
| North America | \$ | 580,185 | 82.5 % | \$ | 593,799 | 81.5 % | (2.3)% |
| Europe | | 74,546 | 10.6 | | 86,355 | 11.8 | (13.7)% |
| Asia Pacific | | 48,622 | 6.9 | | 48,845 | 6.7 | (0.5)% |
| Total | \$ | 703,353 | 100.0 % | \$ | 728,999 | 100.0 % | (3.5)% |
| Organic Revenue | | | | | | | |
| North America | \$ | 561,368 | 82.3 % | \$ | 593,799 | 82.8 % | (5.5)% |
| Asia Pacific | | 48,622 | 7.2 | | 48,845 | 6.8 | (0.5)% |
| Europe | | 71,834 | 10.5 | | 74,219 | 10.4 | (3.2)% |
| Total revenue | \$ | 681,824 | 100.0 % | \$ | 716,863 | 100.0 % | (4.9)% |
| Same Day Organic Reve | nue | | | | | | |
| North America | | 552,665 | 82.4 % | \$ | 593,799 | 82.8 % | (6.9)% |
| Asia Pacific | | 47,850 | 7.1 | | 48,845 | 6.8 | (2.0)% |
| Europe | | 70,442 | 10.5 | | 74,219 | 10.4 | (5.1)% |
| Total revenue | | 670,957 | 100.0 % | \$ | 716,863 | 100.0 % | (6.4)% |
| Number of Business Day | S | | | | | | |
| North America (1) | | 258 | | | 254 | | |
| Asia Pacific (2) | | 252 | | | 248 | | |
| Europe (2) | | 258 | | | 253 | | |

- (1) This represents the number of business days in the United States.
- (2) This represents the number of business days in country or countries in which the revenues are most concentrated within the geography.

North America same day organic revenue decreased \$41.1 million, or 6.9%, in fiscal 2020 compared to fiscal 2019. The average bill rate in North America improved by 1.0% compared to the prior fiscal year. Europe same day organic revenue decreased \$3.8 million, or 5.1%, in fiscal 2020 compared to fiscal 2019. Asia Pacific same day organic revenue declined by \$1.0 million, or 2.0%, in fiscal 2020. The decline of revenue in all geographies in fiscal 2020 reflected the adverse impact of the Pandemic and particularly in North America, the wind-down of project revenue related to lease accounting implementation and other large projects.

Our financial results are subject to fluctuations in the exchange rates of foreign currencies in relation to the United States dollar. Revenues denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at the monthly average exchange rates in effect during each period. Thus, as the value of the United States dollar strengthens relative to the currencies of our non-United States based operations, our translated revenue (and expenses) will be lower; conversely, if the value of the U.S. dollar weakens relative to the currencies of our non-United States operations, our translated revenue (and expenses) will be higher. Using the comparable fiscal 2019 conversion rates, which we believe provides a more comprehensive view of trends in our business, our same day organic revenue decreased by 6.0% on an overall global basis during fiscal 2020. By geography, using comparable fiscal 2019 conversion rates, our same day organic revenue decreased by 6.9%, 2.1% and 1.3% in North America, Europe and Asia Pacific, respectively. Overall average bill rates increased 0.4% on a constant currency basis in fiscal 2020.

Our clients do not sign long-term contracts with us. As such, there can be no assurance as to future demand levels for the services that we provide or that future results can be reliably predicted by considering past trends. The number of consultants on assignment at the end of fiscal 2020 was 2,495 compared to 2,965 at the end of fiscal 2019.

Direct Cost of Services. Direct cost of services decreased \$18.7 million, or 4.2%, to \$427.9 million for the year ended May 30, 2020 from \$446.6 million for the year ended May 25, 2019. The decrease is primarily due to a 3.3% decrease in billable hours between the two periods and a 0.2% decrease in the average consultant pay rates from fiscal 2019 to fiscal 2020.

Direct cost of services as a percentage of revenue was 60.8% and 61.3% during fiscal 2020 and fiscal 2019, respectively. Direct cost of services as a percentage of revenue improved in the current period primarily attributable to lower passthrough revenue from client reimbursement and a slight improvement in the bill/pay ratio. Our target direct cost of services percentage is 60% for all of our markets.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses ("SG&A"). SG&A increased \$4.3 million, or 1.9%, to \$228.1 million for the year ended May 30, 2020 from \$223.8 million for the year ended May 25, 2019. SG&A in fiscal 2020 reflected one extra week of activities as compared to fiscal 2019. SG&A as a percentage of revenue increased from 30.7% in fiscal 2019 to 32.4% in fiscal 2020. The increase in SG&A is primarily due to the following: (1) \$5.0 million of restructuring costs incurred in fiscal 2020, including \$3.9 million in personnel-related costs, and \$1.1 million in real estate exit related costs; (2) a \$2.9 million increase in management compensation and bonuses and commissions partially driven by the one extra week in fiscal 2020; and (3) a change in contingent consideration related expense/benefit over the two periods, which was an expense of \$0.8 million in fiscal 2020 as compared to a benefit of \$0.6 million in fiscal 2019. The increase in SG&A was partially offset by the following: (1) \$2.5 million of savings in general business expenses, primarily attributable to cost containment measures and reduced business travel during the Pandemic; (2) a \$1.7 million decrease in internal consultants costs as we continue to leverage our existing resources more efficiently on various projects and initiatives; and (3) a \$0.5 million decrease in stock-based compensation expense.

Amortization and Depreciation Expense. Amortization of intangible assets was \$5.7 million in fiscal 2020 compared to \$3.8 million in fiscal 2019. The increase is primarily due to the amortization related to identifiable intangible assets acquired through Veracity. Depreciation expense was \$5.0 million and \$4.7 million in fiscal 2020 and 2019, respectively.

Interest Expense, net. Net interest expense for fiscal 2020, including commitment fees, was approximately \$2.1 million in fiscal 2020 compared to \$2.2 million in fiscal 2019. The decrease was due to a lower average interest rate in fiscal 2020 as compared to the prior fiscal year. Interest income was \$0.1 million and \$0.3 million in fiscal 2020 and 2019, respectively.

Income Taxes. The provision for income taxes was \$6.9 million and \$16.5 million in fiscal 2020 and 2019, respectively. The effective tax rate decreased from 34.4% in fiscal 2019 to 19.7% in fiscal 2020. The decrease in the provision for income taxes from the prior year was primarily due to a fiscal 2020 deduction related to a worthless stock loss in our investment in our wholly owned subsidiaries. During fiscal 2020, after analyzing the facts and circumstances, we determined to no longer invest in the Belgium, Luxembourg and the Nordics markets which includes Sweden and Norway. We have maintained a permanent investment position and, therefore, have not previously recorded a deferred tax asset for the basis differences of these entities. The financial results of these entities created an excess of tax basis over the book basis in which the worthless stock that was deducted for income tax purposes equal to approximately \$25.8 million, resulting in an estimated net tax benefit of \$6.6 million. We analyzed these transactions and determined that these worthless stock deductions qualify as ordinary losses. In addition, we took a deduction relating to worthless loans of approximately \$4.4 million, which is also treated as an ordinary loss, resulting in a net tax benefit of \$0.8 million after the offset of the estimated global intangible low-taxed income ("GILTI") tax. While we believe this is a valid income tax deduction, due to the controversial nature of worthless loan deductions, we have determined this tax benefit to be an uncertain tax position. Accordingly, we fully reserved for the tax benefit associated with the worthless loan deduction. The reserve includes offsetting the federal and state benefits, by the estimated GILTI tax increase. The deductions for worthless stock and worthless loans decreased the effective tax rate for fiscal 2020 by 17.4%. These reductions were partially offset by new valuation allowances set up on some of our foreign deferred tax assets based on a review of earnings trends in connection with the adverse impact from the Pandemic.

The provision for taxes in both fiscal 2020 and 2019 resulted from taxes on income from operations in the United States and certain other foreign jurisdictions, a lower benefit for losses in certain foreign jurisdictions with tax rates lower than the United States statutory rates, and no benefit for losses in jurisdictions in which a valuation allowance on operating loss carryforwards had previously been established. Based upon current economic circumstances, management will continue to monitor the need to record additional or release existing valuation allowances in the future, primarily related to certain foreign jurisdictions. Realization of the currently reserved foreign deferred tax assets is dependent upon generating sufficient future taxable income in those foreign territories.

Periodically, we review the components of both book and taxable income to analyze the adequacy of the tax provision. There can be no assurance that our effective tax rate will remain constant in the future because of the lower benefit from the United States statutory rate for losses in certain foreign jurisdictions, the limitation on the benefit for losses in jurisdictions in which a valuation allowance for operating loss carryforwards has previously been established, and the unpredictability of timing and the amount of eligible disqualifying incentive stock options ("ISO") exercises.

We have maintained a position of being indefinitely reinvested in our foreign subsidiaries' earnings by not expecting to remit foreign earnings in the foreseeable future. Being indefinitely reinvested does not require a deferred tax liability to be recognized on the foreign earnings. Management's indefinite reinvestment position is supported by:

- RGP in the United States has generated more than enough cash to fund operations and expansion, including acquisitions. RGP uses its excess cash to, at its discretion, return cash to shareholders through dividend payments and stock repurchases.
- RGP in the United States has no debt or any other current or known obligations that require cash to be remitted from foreign subsidiaries.
- Management's growth objectives include allowing cash to accumulate in RGP's profitable foreign subsidiaries with the expectation of finding strategic expansion plans to further penetrate RGP's most successful locations.
- The consequences of distributing foreign earnings have historically been deemed to be tax inefficient for RGP or not materially beneficial.

Year Ended May 25, 2019 Compared to Year Ended May 26, 2018

For a comparison of our results of operations for the fiscal years ended May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018, see Part II, Item 7 "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 25, 2019, filed with the SEC on July 19, 2019 (File No. 0-32113).

Quarterly Results

The following table sets forth our unaudited quarterly Consolidated Statements of Operations data for each of the eight quarters in the two-year period ended May 30, 2020. In the opinion of management, this data has been prepared on a basis substantially consistent with our audited Consolidated Financial Statements appearing elsewhere in this document, and includes all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring adjustments, necessary for a fair presentation of the data. The quarterly data should be read together with our Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes appearing elsewhere in this document. The operating results are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected in any future period.

| | Quarters Ended | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|----|------------------|----|------------------|------|------------------|------|-----------------|----|-----------------|----|------------------|----|------------------|
| | May 30, 2020 (1) | F | reb. 22, 2020 | N | Nov. 23, 2019 | A | Aug. 24, 2019 | N | 1ay 25, 2019 | F | eb. 23, 2019 | N | lov. 24, 2018 | A | aug. 25, 2018 |
| | | | | | (In thousan | ıds, | except net | inco | me per com | mo | n share) | | | | |
| Revenue | \$ 178,569 | \$ | 168,052 | \$ | 184,507 | \$ | 172,225 | \$ | 182,144 | \$ | 179,498 | \$ | 188,799 | \$ | 178,558 |
| Direct cost of services, primarily payroll and related taxes for | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| professional services employees | 106,386 | | 106,632 | | 110,130 | | 104,722 | | 109,188 | | 111,587 | | 115,378 | | 110,407 |
| Gross margin | 72,183 | | 61,420 | | 74,377 | | 67,503 | | 72,956 | | 67,911 | | 73,421 | | 68,151 |
| Selling, general and | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| administrative expenses | 62,035 | | 55,299 | | 53,755 | | 56,978 | | 56,890 | | 55,587 | | 54,959 | | 56,366 |
| Amortization of intangible assets | 1,592 | | 1,549 | | 1,510 | | 1,094 | | 944 | | 948 | | 952 | | 955 |
| Depreciation expense | 1,106 | | 1,120 | | 1,424 | | 1,369 | | 1,250 | | 1,163 | | 1,197 | | 1,069 |
| Income from operations | 7,450 | | 3,452 | | 17,688 | | 8,062 | | 13,872 | | 10,213 | | 16,313 | | 9,761 |
| Interest expense, net | 535 | | 493 | | 551 | | 482 | | 461 | | 595 | | 608 | | 526 |
| Other income | (100 |) | - | | (537) | | - | | - | | - | | - | | - |
| Income before income tax | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| expense (benefit) | 7,015 | | 2,959 | | 17,674 | | 7,580 | | 13,411 | | 9,618 | | 15,705 | | 9,235 |
| Income tax expense (benefit) | 2,948 | | (3,983) | | 5,337 | | 2,641 | | 4,042 | | 3,822 | | 5,141 | | 3,494 |
| Net income | \$ 4,067 | \$ | 6,942 | \$ | 12,337 | \$ | 4,939 | \$ | 9,369 | \$ | 5,796 | \$ | 10,564 | \$ | 5,741 |
| Net income per common share (2): | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Basic | \$ 0.13 | \$ | 0.22 | \$ | 0.39 | \$ | 0.16 | \$ | 0.30 | \$ | 0.18 | \$ | 0.33 | \$ | 0.18 |
| Diluted | \$ 0.13 | \$ | 0.21 | \$ | 0.38 | \$ | 0.15 | \$ | 0.29 | \$ | 0.18 | \$ | 0.33 | \$ | 0.18 |

⁽¹⁾ Fiscal quarter ended May 30, 2020 consisted of 14 weeks. All other quarters presented consisted of 13 weeks.

⁽²⁾ Net income per common share calculations for each of the quarters were based upon the weighted average number of shares outstanding for each period, and the sum of the quarters may not necessarily be equal to the full year net income per common share amount.

Our quarterly results have fluctuated in the past and we believe they will continue to do so in the future. Certain factors that could affect our quarterly operating results are described in Part I, Item 1A "Risk Factors." of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal year ended May 30, 2020, filed with the SEC on July 27, 2020. Due to these and other factors, we believe that quarter-to-quarter comparisons of our results of operations are not meaningful indicators of future performance.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our primary source of liquidity is cash provided by our operations, our \$120.0 million secured revolving credit facility with Bank of America (the "Facility") and, historically to a lesser extent, stock option exercises and ESPP purchases. On an annual basis, we have generated positive cash flows from operations since inception, and we continued to do so for the year ended May 30, 2020. Our ability to generate positive cash flow from operations in the future will be, at least in part, dependent on continued stable global economic conditions and our ability to remain resilient during economic downturns, such as the one we are currently in caused by the COVID-19 Pandemic. As of May 30, 2020, we had \$95.6 million of cash and cash equivalents including \$31.7 million held in international operations.

We entered into the Facility in October 2016, which is available for working capital and general corporate purposes, including potential acquisitions and stock repurchases. The Facility allows us to choose the interest rate applicable to advances. Borrowings under the Facility bear interest at a rate per annum of either, at our option, (i) LIBOR plus a margin of 1.25% or 1.50% or (ii) an alternate base rate, plus margin of 0.25% or 0.50% with the applicable margin depending on our consolidated leverage ratio. The alternate base rate is the highest of (i) Bank of America's prime rate, (ii) the federal funds rate plus 0.50% and (iii) the Eurodollar rate plus 1.0%. We pay an unused commitment fee on the average daily unused portion of the Facility at a rate of 0.15% to 0.25% depending upon on our consolidated leverage ratio. The Facility expires on October 17, 2021. The Facility contains both affirmative and negative covenants. We were in compliance with all financial covenants under the Facility as of May 30, 2020 and do not expect material uncertainties in our continued ability to be in compliance with all financial covenants through the remaining term of the Facility. As of May 30, 2020, our borrowings on the Facility were \$88.0 million, and we had \$1.3 million of outstanding letters of credit issued under the Facility. Additional information regarding the Facility is included in Note 7 — Long-Term Debt in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in Part II, Item 8 of this Annual Report.

Our ongoing operations and anticipated growth in the geographic markets we currently serve will require us to continue to make investments in critical markets and in systems and technology. In addition, we may consider making strategic acquisitions or take on restructuring initiatives, which could require significant liquidity. While we have not seen a significant adverse impact on our overall cash collections as a result of the Pandemic, in an abundance of caution, we borrowed \$39.0 million on the Facility in the fourth quarter, to provide substantial additional liquidity to manage our business as the Pandemic continued to develop globally and impact the capital markets. We currently believe that our current cash, ongoing cash flows from our operations and funding available under our Facility will be adequate to meet our working capital and capital expenditure needs and to satisfy our cash requirement in executing our restructuring initiatives for at least the next 12 months. If we require additional capital resources to grow our business, either internally or through acquisition, we may seek to sell additional equity securities or to increase our use of our Facility. In addition, if we decide to make additional share repurchases, we may fund these through existing cash balances or use of our Facility. The sale of additional equity securities or certain forms of debt financing could result in additional dilution to our stockholders. We may not be able to obtain financing arrangements in amounts or on terms acceptable to us in the future. In the event we are unable to obtain additional financing when needed, we may be compelled to delay or curtail our plans to develop our business or to pay dividends on our capital stock, which could have a material adverse effect on our operations, market position and competitiveness.

Operating Activities, fiscal 2020 and 2019

Operating activities provided \$49.5 million and \$43.6 million in cash in fiscal 2020 and fiscal 2019, respectively. Cash provided by operations in fiscal 2020 resulted from net income of \$28.3 million and net favorable non-cash reconciling adjustments of \$21.5 million. These amounts were partially offset by a net unfavorable change in operating assets and liabilities of \$0.3 million primarily due to a \$7.9 million decrease in accounts payable, a \$6.8 million decrease in accrued salaries and related obligations and a \$2.5 million increase in prepaid income taxes, partially offset by a \$10.0 million decrease in trade accounts receivable and a \$7.3 million increase in other liabilities. In fiscal 2019, cash provided by operations resulted from net income of \$31.5 million and net favorable non-cash reconciling adjustments of \$22.6 million, partially offset by a net unfavorable change in operating assets and liabilities of \$10.4 million primarily related to decreases in accounts receivable and income taxes payable.

Investing Activities, fiscal 2020 and 2019

Net cash used in investing activities was \$26.8 million for fiscal 2020, compared to \$12.9 million in fiscal 2019. We used \$30.3 million of cash (net of cash acquired) to acquire Veracity in fiscal 2020. There were no acquisitions in fiscal 2019. Purchases of

property and equipment decreased approximately \$4.6 million between the two periods, as we relocated or refurbished certain offices during fiscal 2019. We also redeemed \$6.0 million of short-term investments in fiscal 2020, which we purchased in fiscal 2019.

Financing Activities, fiscal 2020 and 2019

The primary sources of cash in financing activities are borrowings under our Facility, cash proceeds from the exercise of employee stock options and proceeds from the issuance of shares purchased under our ESPP. The primary uses of cash in financing activities are repayments under the Facility, repurchases of our common stock and cash dividend payments to our shareholders.

Net cash provided by financing activities totaled \$30.9 million in fiscal 2020 compared to net cash used in financing activities of \$43.6 million in fiscal 2019. Financing activities during fiscal 2020 primarily consisted of \$74.0 million of proceeds borrowed from the Facility and \$10.3 million from the issuance of shares under ESPP and the exercise of employee stock options, partially offset by principal repayments of \$29.0 million under the Facility, \$17.6 million of cash dividend payments and \$5.0 million for share repurchases. Additional information regarding dividends is included in Note 11 — *Stockholders' Equity* in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in Part II, Item 8 of this Annual Report. The increase in dividends paid in fiscal 2020 compared to fiscal 2019 was due to an increase in quarterly dividends declared from \$0.13 per share in fiscal 2019 to \$0.14 per share beginning in fiscal 2020. Net cash used by financing activities of \$43.6 million in fiscal 2019 consisted of \$16.2 million in cash dividends paid, \$29.9 million in share repurchases and \$20.0 million repaid under our Facility, partially offset by proceeds of \$24.3 million from the exercise of employee stock options and the issuance of shares under ESPP.

As described in Note 3 — *Acquisitions and Dispositions*, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in Part II, Item 8 of this Annual Report, the purchase agreements for Veracity and Expertence require cash earn-out payments to be made when certain performance conditions are met. We estimated the fair value of the obligation to pay contingent consideration based on a number of different projections of the estimated EBITDA and estimated revenue. The estimated fair value of the contingent consideration as of May 30, 2020 was \$7.9 million, of which \$5.0 million is due before the end of calendar 2020 if the terms of the contingent consideration arrangement are met.

For a comparison of our cash flow activities for the fiscal years ended May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018, see Part II, Item 7. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 25, 2019, filed with the SEC on July 19, 2019 (File No. 0-32113).

While the Pandemic has created significant uncertainty in the global economy and capital markets, which is expected to continue into the remainder of 2020 and beyond, we currently believe our existing balance of cash, cash flow expected to be generated from our future operations, and the additional availability under our Facility will provide sufficient cash needs for working capital and capital expenditures for at least the next 12 months. However, we could be required, or could elect to seek additional funding prior to that time. Our future capital requirements will depend on many factors, including our ability to continue to adapt and efficiently serve our client, our clients' project needs during this uncertain time, and our clients' financial health and ability to make timely payments on our receivables. A material adverse impact from the Pandemic could result in a need for us to raise additional capital or incur additional indebtedness to fund strategic initiatives or operating activities.

Contractual Obligations

At May 30, 2020, we had operating leases, primarily for office premises, and purchase obligations include payments due under various types of licenses, expiring at various dates through March 2028. At May 30, 2020, we had no finance leases. The following table summarizes our future minimum rental commitments under operating leases and our other known contractual obligations as of May 30, 2020:

| | | P | ayme | ents Due by Perio | d | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------------|------|---------------------|----|-----------|----------------|
| | | | | Fiscal | | Fiscal | |
| | Total | Fiscal 2021 | | 2022-2023 | | 2024-2025 | Thereafter |
| | | | (Amo | ounts in thousands) | | | |
| Operating lease obligations | \$ 45,762 | \$ 12,610 | \$ | 19,526 | \$ | 10,458 | \$ 3,168 |
| Purchase obligations | \$ 4,855 | \$ 2,797 | \$ | 2,058 | \$ | <u> </u> | \$ <u> </u> |
| Long-term debt | \$ 88,000 | \$ _ | \$ | 88,000 | \$ | | \$ <u> </u> |

Long-term debt above reflects our outstanding borrowings under the Facility as of May 30, 2020, assumes no future borrowings under the Facility and does not include any estimated future interest payments.

The contractual obligations and commitments table above does not reflect the Company's total liability for unrecognized gross tax benefits, which was \$848,000 as of May 30, 2020, because we are unable to reasonably estimate the period during which this obligation may be incurred, if at all.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements.

Inflation

Inflation was not a material factor in either revenue or operating expenses during the fiscal years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 or May 26, 2018.

QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Interest Rate Risk. We are primarily exposed to market risks from fluctuations in interest rates and the effects of those fluctuations on the market values of our cash and cash equivalents and our borrowings under our Facility that bear interest at a variable market rate.

At the end of fiscal 2020, we had approximately \$95.6 million of cash and cash equivalents and \$88.0 million of borrowings under our Facility. The earnings on cash and cash equivalents are subject to changes in interest rates; however, assuming a constant balance available for investment, a 10% decline in interest rates would reduce our interest income but would not have a material impact on our consolidated financial position or results of operations.

Borrowings under the Facility bear interest at a rate per annum of either, at our option, (i) LIBOR plus a margin of 1.25% or 1.50% or (ii) an alternate base rate, plus margin of 0.25% or 0.50% with the applicable margin depending on our consolidated leverage ratio. The alternate base rate is the highest of (i) Bank of America's prime rate, (ii) the federal funds rate plus 0.50% and (iii) the Eurodollar rate plus 1.0%. We are exposed to interest rate risk related to fluctuations in the LIBOR rate; at the current level of borrowing as of May 30, 2020 of \$88.0 million, a 10% change in interest rates would have resulted in approximately a \$0.2 million change in annual interest expense.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk. For the year ended May 30, 2020, approximately 19.1% of our revenues were generated outside of the United States. As a result, our operating results are subject to fluctuations in the exchange rates of foreign currencies in relation to the U.S. dollar. Revenues and expenses denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at the monthly average exchange rates prevailing during the period. Thus, as the value of the U.S. dollar fluctuates relative to the currencies in our non-United States based operations, our reported results may vary.

Assets and liabilities of our non-United States based operations are translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate effective at the end of each monthly reporting period. Approximately 66.9% of our fiscal year-end balances of cash and cash equivalents were denominated in U.S. dollars. The remaining amount of approximately 33.1% was comprised primarily of cash balances translated from Euros, Japanese Yen, Mexican Pesos, Chinese Yuan, and British Pound Sterling. The difference resulting from the translation in each period of assets and liabilities of our non-United States based operations is recorded as a component of stockholders' equity in other accumulated other comprehensive income or loss.

Although we intend to monitor our exposure to foreign currency fluctuations, we do not currently use financial hedges to mitigate risks associated with foreign currency fluctuations including in a limited number of circumstances when we may be asked to transact with our client in one currency but are obligated to pay our consultant in another currency. We cannot provide assurance that exchange rate fluctuations will not adversely affect our financial results in the future.

CAUTION CONCERNING FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Annual Report, including information incorporated herein by reference, contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These statements relate to expectations concerning matters that are not historical facts. For example, statements discussing, among other things, expected savings, business strategies, growth strategies and initiatives, acquisition strategies, future revenues and future performance, are forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements may be identified by words such as

"anticipates," "believes," "can," "continue," "could," "estimates," "expects," "intends," "may," "plans," "potential," "predicts," "should" or "will" or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology.

These statements and all phases of our operations are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause our actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements and those of our industry to differ materially from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. The disclosures we make concerning risks, uncertainties and other factors that may affect our business or operating results, including those identified in Item 1A "Risk Factors" of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended May 30, 2020, as well as our other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") should be reviewed carefully. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also affect our business or operating results. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this Annual Report. We do not intend, and undertake no obligation, to update the forward-looking statements in this filing to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this Annual Report or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, unless required by law to do so.

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Stockholders and the Board of Directors of Resources Connection, Inc.

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Resources Connection, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the Company) as of May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019, the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended May 30, 2020, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements (collectively, the financial statements). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended May 30, 2020, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of May 30, 2020, based on criteria established in *Internal Control*—

Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in 2013, and our report dated July 27, 2020 expressed an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Change in Accounting Principle

As discussed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company has changed its method of accounting for leases as of May 26, 2019 due to the adoption of Financial Accounting Standards Board's Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 842, *Leases*.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ RSM US LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2013.

Irvine, California July 27, 2020

RESOURCES CONNECTION, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

| | | May 30, 2020 | | May 25, 2019 |
|---|-------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|
| | | (Amounts in | thousand | ls, except |
| | | par valı | ie per sha | are) |
| ASSETS | | | | |
| Current assets: | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 95,624 | \$ | 43,045 |
| Short-term investments | | - | | 5,981 |
| Trade accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of | | | | |
| \$3,067 and \$2,520 as of May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019, respectively | | 124,986 | | 133,304 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | | 6,222 | | 7,103 |
| Income taxes receivable | | 4,167 | | 2,224 |
| Total current assets | | 230,999 | | 191,657 |
| Goodwill | | 214,067 | | 190,815 |
| Intangible assets, net | | 20,077 | | 14,589 |
| Property and equipment, net | | 23,644 | | 26,632 |
| Operating right-of-use assets | | 34,287 | | - |
| Deferred income taxes | | 1,597 | | 1,497 |
| Other assets | | 4,510 | | 3,180 |
| Total assets | \$ | 529,181 | \$ | 428,370 |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | \$ | 15,799 | \$ | 21,634 |
| Accrued salaries and related obligations | | 52,407 | · | 58,628 |
| Operating lease liabilities, current | | 11,223 | | , - |
| Other liabilities | | 15,472 | | 11,154 |
| Total current liabilities | | 94,901 | | 91,416 |
| Long-term debt | | 88,000 | | 43,000 |
| Operating lease liabilities, noncurrent | | 30,672 | | - |
| Deferred income taxes | | 6,215 | | 5,146 |
| Other long-term liabilities | | 5,732 | | 6,412 |
| Total liabilities | - | 225,520 | - | 145,974 |
| Commitments and contingencies | | | | 1.0,57. |
| Stockholders' equity: | | | | |
| Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, 5,000 shares authorized; zero shares | | | | |
| issued and outstanding | | _ | | _ |
| Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 70,000 shares authorized; 63,910 and | | | | |
| 63,054 shares issued, and 32,144 and 31,588 shares outstanding as of | | | | |
| May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019, respectively | | 639 | | 631 |
| Additional paid-in capital | | 477,438 | | 460,226 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | | (13,862) | | (12,588) |
| Retained earnings | | 360,534 | | 350,230 |
| Treasury stock at cost, 31,766 and 31,466 shares as of | | 500,554 | | 550,250 |
| May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019, respectively | | (521,088) | | (516,103) |
| Total stockholders' equity | | 303,661 | | 282,396 |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | \$ | 529,181 | \$ | 428,370 |
| Total habilities and stockholders equity | Ψ | 349,101 | Ψ | 720,370 |

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

| For the Years Ended | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|
| May 30, 2020 | | | May 25, 2019 | | May 26, 2018 | |
| <u></u> | (Amo | unts ir | thousands, ex | cept | | |
| | | per sl | hare amounts) | | | |
| \$ | 703,353 | \$ | 728,999 | \$ | 654,129 | |
| | | | | | | |
| | 427,870 | | 446,560 | | 408,074 | |
| <u> </u> | 275,483 | | 282,439 | | 246,055 | |
| | 228,067 | | 223,802 | | 209,042 | |
| | 5,745 | | 3,799 | | 2,298 | |
| | 5,019 | | 4,679 | | 4,091 | |
| | 36,652 | | 50,159 | | 30,624 | |
| | 2,061 | | 2,190 | | 1,735 | |
| | (637) | | | | _ | |
| | 35,228 | | 47,969 | | 28,889 | |
| | 6,943 | | 16,499 | | 10,063 | |
| \$ | 28,285 | \$ | 31,470 | \$ | 18,826 | |
| | | | | | | |
| \$ | 0.88 | \$ | 1.00 | \$ | 0.61 | |
| \$ | 0.88 | \$ | 0.98 | \$ | 0.60 | |
| | | | | | | |
| | 31,989 | | 31,596 | | 30,741 | |
| | 32,227 | | 32,207 | | 31,210 | |
| \$ | 0.56 | \$ | 0.52 | \$ | 0.48 | |
| | \$ | May 30, 2020 (Amore Series of Control of Co | May 30, 2020 (Amounts ir per si | May 30, 2019 May 25, 2019 (Amounts in thousands, exper share amounts) per share amounts \$ 703,353 \$ 728,999 427,870 446,560 275,483 282,439 228,067 223,802 5,745 3,799 5,019 4,679 36,652 50,159 2,061 2,190 (637) - 35,228 47,969 6,943 16,499 \$ 28,285 \$ 31,470 \$ 0.88 \$ 0.98 31,989 31,596 32,227 32,207 | May 30, 2019 May 25, 2019 (Amounts in thousands, except per share amounts) \$ 703,353 \$ 728,999 \$ 427,870 446,560 446,79 446,560 446,560 446,560 446,560 446,560 446,560 446,560 446,79 446,79 446,79 446,79 446,79 446,79 446,79 446,79 446,79 446,79 446,79 446,79 446,79 446,79 446,79 446,79 < | |

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

| | For the Years Ended | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|--------|------------------|----|-----------------|--|--|--|--|
| | May 30, 2020 | | May 25, 2019 | | May 26, 2018 | | | | |
| | | (Amoun | ts in thousands) | | | | | | |
| COMPREHENSIVE INCOME: | | | | | | | | | |
| Net income | \$ 28,285 | \$ | 31,470 | \$ | 18,826 | | | | |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment, net of tax | (1,274) |) | (2,203) | | 1,011 | | | | |
| Total comprehensive income | \$ 27,011 | \$ | 29,267 | \$ | 19,837 | | | | |

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

| | | | | A | Additional | | | | Acc | cumulated Other | | | | Total |
|---|--------------|----|-------|---------|----------------|--------|-----|------------------------|------|--------------------|---------------|----------|----|----------|
| | Common Stock | | | Paid-in | Treasury Stock | | | Comprehensive Retained | | | Stockholders' | | | |
| | Shares | Ar | nount | | Capital | Shares | | Amount | _(Lo | ss) Income | I | Earnings | | Equity |
| | | | | | | (Ar | nou | ints in thous | | | | | | |
| Balances as of May 27, 2017 | 58,992 | \$ | 590 | | \$ 398,828 | 29,330 | \$ | (481,904) | \$ | (11,396) | \$ | 332,024 | \$ | 238,142 |
| Exercise of stock options | 517 | | 6 | | 6,483 | | | | | | | | | 6,489 |
| Stock-based compensation expense | | | | | 5,978 | | | | | | | | | 5,978 |
| Issuance of common stock under Employee | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Stock Purchase Plan | 339 | | 3 | | 3,947 | | | | | | | | | 3,950 |
| Issuance of restricted stock | 105 | | 1 | | (1) | | | | | | | | | - |
| Issuance of restricted stock out of treasury | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| stock to board of director members | | | | | | (13) | | 298 | | | | (298) | | - |
| Purchase of shares | | | | | | 321 | | (5,116) | | | | | | (5,116) |
| Issuance of common stock for acquisition of | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 11,754 |
| Accretive | 1,072 | | 11 | | 11,743 | | | | | | | | | , |
| Issuance of common stock for acquisition of | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2,602 |
| taskforce | 227 | | 2 | | 2,600 | | | | | | | | | 2,002 |
| Cash dividends declared (\$0.48 per share) | | | | | | | | | | | | (14,811) | | (14,811) |
| Currency translation adjustment | | | | | | | | | | 1,011 | | | | 1,011 |
| Net income for the year ended May 26, 2018 | | | | | | | | | | | | 18,826 | | 18,826 |
| Balances as of May 26, 2018 | 61,252 | \$ | 613 | \$ | 429,578 | 29,638 | \$ | (486,722) | \$ | (10,385) | \$ | 335,741 | \$ | 268,825 |
| Exercise of stock options | 1,444 | | 15 | | 19,794 | | | | | | | | | 19,809 |
| Stock-based compensation expense | | | | | 6,358 | | | | | | | | | 6,358 |
| Issuance of common stock under Employee | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Stock Purchase Plan | 358 | | 3 | | 4,496 | | | | | | | | | 4,499 |
| Issuance of restricted stock out of treasury | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| stock to board of director members | | | | | | (21) | | 510 | | | | (510) | | - |
| Purchase of shares | | | | | | 1,849 | | (29,891) | | | | | | (29,891) |
| Cash dividends declared (\$0.52 per share) | | | | | | | | | | | | (16,471) | | (16,471) |
| Currency translation adjustment | | | | | | | | | | (2,203) | | , , , | | (2,203) |
| Net income for the year ended May 25, 2019 | | | | | | | | | | | | 31,470 | | 31,470 |
| Balances as of May 25, 2019 | 63,054 | \$ | 631 | \$ | 460,226 | 31,466 | \$ | (516,103) | \$ | (12,588) | \$ | 350,230 | \$ | 282,396 |
| Exercise of stock options | 376 | | 3 | | 5,122 | , | | (, , | | , , , | | , | | 5,125 |
| Stock-based compensation expense | | | | | 5,833 | | | | | | | | | 5,833 |
| Issuance of common stock under Employee | | | | | -, | | | | | | | | | |
| Stock Purchase Plan | 400 | | 4 | | 5,127 | | | | | | | | | 5,131 |
| Cancellation of restricted stock | (13) | | _ | | -, - | | | | | | | | | _ |
| Issuance of restricted stock | 10 | | _ | | | | | | | | | | | _ |
| Issuance of restricted stock out of treasury | 10 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| stock to board of director members | | | | | (10) | (18) | | 15 | | | | (5) | | _ |
| Repurchase of shares | | | | | (10) | 318 | | (5,000) | | | | (3) | | (5,000) |
| Cash dividends declared (\$0.56 per share) | | | | | | 510 | | (2,000) | | | | (17,976) | | (17,976) |
| Issuance of common stock in connection with the | | | | | | | | | | | | (17,570) | | ` ' ' |
| acquisition of Accretive | 83 | | 1 | | 1,140 | | | | | | | | | 1,141 |
| Currency translation adjustment | 63 | | - | | 1,170 | | | | | (1,274) | | | | (1,274) |
| Net income for the year ended May 30, 2020 | | | | | | | | | | (1,2/4) | | 28,285 | | 28,285 |
| Balances as of May 30, 2020 | 63,910 | \$ | 639 | \$ | 477,438 | 31,766 | \$ | (521,088) | \$ | (13,862) | \$ | 360,534 | \$ | 303,661 |
| Datanees as of May 50, 2020 | 05,910 | φ | | φ | 1 | 51,700 | Ψ | (321,000) | Ψ | (13,002) | φ | 300,334 | Ψ | 303,001 |

RESOURCES CONNECTION, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

| | For the Years Ended | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|--|--|
| | May 30, 2020 | May 25, 2019 | May 26, 2018 | | | | |
| | | inds) | | | | | |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | ` | | , | | | | |
| Net income | \$ 28,285 | \$ 31,470 | \$ 18,826 | | | | |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | | | | | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 10,764 | 8,478 | 6,389 | | | | |
| Stock-based compensation expense | 6,057 | 6,570 | 6,033 | | | | |
| Contingent consideration adjustment | 794 | (590) | , <u>-</u> | | | | |
| Loss on disposal of assets | 484 | 126 | 14 | | | | |
| Impairment of operating right-of-use assets | 649 | _ | _ | | | | |
| Bad debt expense | 1,840 | 1,540 | 826 | | | | |
| Deferred income taxes | 911 | 6,452 | (5,035) | | | | |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of business combinations: | | -, | (=,===) | | | | |
| Trade accounts receivable | 10,010 | (5,690) | (19,373) | | | | |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 980 | 109 | (1,567) | | | | |
| Income taxes | (2,472) | (4,324) | 4,733 | | | | |
| Other assets | (1,332) | (1,147) | (166) | | | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | (7,902) | (1,469) | 3,332 | | | | |
| Accrued salaries and related obligations | (6,810) | 547 | 4,173 | | | | |
| Other liabilities | 7,265 | 1,549 | (2,815) | | | | |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 49,523 | 43,621 | 15,370 | | | | |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | 43,021 | 15,570 | | | | |
| Redemption of short-term investments | 5,981 | _ | _ | | | | |
| Purchase of short-term investments | 5,701 | (5,981) | _ | | | | |
| Proceeds from sale of assets | 105 | (3,701) | 4 | | | | |
| Acquisition of Expertence, net of cash acquired | (254) | _ | _ | | | | |
| Acquisition of Veracity, net of cash acquired | (30,258) | _ | _ | | | | |
| Acquisition of Accretive | (30,236) | _ | (20,047) | | | | |
| Acquisition of Accretive Acquisition of taskforce, net of cash acquired | _ | _ | (3,410) | | | | |
| Purchase of property and equipment | (2,346) | (6,896) | (2,213) | | | | |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (26,772) | (12,877) | (25,666) | | | | |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | (20,772) | (12,677) | (23,000) | | | | |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options | 5,125 | 19,809 | 6,489 | | | | |
| Proceeds from issuance of common stock under Employee Stock Purchase Plan | 5,123 | 4,499 | 3,949 | | | | |
| Purchase of common stock | (5,000) | (29,891) | (5,116) | | | | |
| Payment of contingent consideration | (3,000) $(1,771)$ | (1,860) | (2,579) | | | | |
| , | 74,000 | (1,800) | 15,000 | | | | |
| Proceeds from Revolving Credit Facility | (29,000) | (20,000) | 13,000 | | | | |
| Repayments on Revolving Credit Facility | | (20,000) | (14.260) | | | | |
| Cash dividends paid | (17,581) 30,904 | (16,158) | (14,269) | | | | |
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | | (43,601) | 3,474 | | | | |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash | (1,076) | (568) | 963 | | | | |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash | 52,579 | (13,425) | (5,859) | | | | |
| Cash and each equivalents at beginning of period | 43,045 | 56,470 | 62,329 | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$ 95,624 | \$ 43,045 | \$ 56,470 | | | | |

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Description of the Company and its Business

Resources Connection, Inc. ("Resources Connection"), a Delaware corporation, was incorporated on November 16, 1998. The Company's operating entities provide services primarily under the name Resources Global Professionals ("RGP" or the "Company"). RGP is a global consulting firm that enables rapid business outcomes by bringing together the right people to create transformative change. As a human capital partner for our clients, the Company specializes in solving today's most pressing business problems across the enterprise in the areas of transactions, regulations and transformations. The Company has offices in the United States ("U.S."), Asia, Australia, Canada, Europe and Mexico.

The Company's fiscal year consists of 52 or 53 weeks, ending on the Saturday in May closest to May 31. Fiscal years 2019 and 2018 consisted of four 13-week quarters and included a total of 52 weeks of activity in the fiscal year. For fiscal year 2020, the first three quarters consisted of 13 weeks each and the fourth quarter consisted of 14 weeks, with a total of 53 weeks of activity in the fiscal year.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation and Principles of Consolidation

The Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company ("financial statements") have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. ("GAAP") and the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). The financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Risk and Uncertainties

Since the start of 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic (the "Pandemic") has spread to many of the countries in which the Company and its customers conduct businesses. Governments throughout the world have implemented, and may continue to implement, stay-athome orders, proclamations and directives aimed at minimizing the spread of the COVID-19 virus. The impact of the Pandemic and the resulting restrictions have caused disruptions in the U.S. and global economy and may continue to disrupt financial markets and global economic activities. The Company has taken precautions and steps to prevent or reduce infection among its employees, including limiting business travel and mandating working from home in many of the countries in which it operates. While overall productivity remained high through the end of fiscal 2020, these measures may disrupt the Company's normal business operations and negatively impact its productivity and ability to efficiently serve its clients. As events relating to COVID-19 continue to develop and evolve globally, there is significant uncertainty as to the full likely effects of the Pandemic which may, among other things, reduce demand for or delay client decisions to procure the Company' services or result in cancellation of existing projects. While the full impact from the Pandemic is not quantifiable, the Company's results of operations and cash flows were adversely impacted in the latter half of fiscal 2020. Although management does not expect the Pandemic to have a permanent impact on its business operations, the Company cannot estimate the length or the magnitude of the Pandemic and how this might affect its customers' demand for services and the Company's ability to continue to operate efficiently. Management believes the Pandemic could continue to have an adverse impact on the Company's results of operations and financial position in fiscal 2021. Management is uncertain whether future effects of the Pandemic will be similar to what the Company has experienced in fiscal 2020. Management continues to monitor relevant business metrics, such as daily and weekly revenue run rate, pipeline activities, rate of consultant attrition and days sales outstanding, and has implemented modifications to the Company's normal operations. Management believes the restructuring initiatives that the Company took in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020 have better prepared the Company to operate with agility and resilience in this challenging economic environment.

The Company's primary source of liquidity historically has been cash provided by its operations and its \$120.0 million secured revolving credit facility ("Facility") which expires on October 17, 2021. As of May 30, 2020, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$95.6 million, and additional availability under the Facility of \$30.7 million. Given its balance sheet and liquidity position, management believes that the Company has the financial flexibility and resources needed to operate in the current uncertain economic environment. However, if global economic conditions worsen as a result of the Pandemic, it could materially impact the Company's liquidity position and capital needs.

On March 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") was enacted in the U.S. in response to the Pandemic. The CARES Act includes, among other things, direct financial assistance to Americans in the form of cash payments to individuals, aid to small businesses in the form of loans, and other tax incentives in an effort to stabilize the U.S. economy and keep Americans employed. The Company has not filed, and currently does not intend to file, for funding provided by the CARES Act. The Company has deferred \$2.9 million in payroll tax payments as of the end of fiscal 2020 in the U.S. The Company does not believe the income tax provisions such as changes to the net operating loss rules included in the CARES Act will have a material impact on it. The Company has not received, and does not expect to receive significant government-provided relief or stimulus funding in other parts of the world.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Although management believes these estimates and assumptions are adequate, actual results could differ from the estimates and assumptions used.

Revenue Recognition

Effective May 27, 2018, the Company adopted Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 606, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* ("ASC 606"), using the modified retrospective method, which allows companies to apply the new revenue standard to reporting periods beginning in the year the standard is first implemented, while prior periods continue to be reported in accordance with previous accounting guidance. The adoption of ASC 606 did not have a significant impact on revenue recognition; therefore, the Company did not have an opening retained earnings adjustment for the fiscal year ended May 25, 2019.

Revenues are recognized when control of the promised service is transferred to the Company's clients, in an amount that reflects the consideration expected in exchange for the services. Revenue is recorded net of sales or other transaction taxes collected from clients and remitted to taxing authorities. Revenues from contracts are recognized over time, based on hours worked by the Company's professionals. The performance of the agreed-to service over time is the single performance obligation for revenues. Certain clients may receive discounts (for example, volume discounts or rebates) to the amounts billed. These discounts or rebates are considered variable consideration. Management evaluates the facts and circumstances of each contract and client relationship to estimate the variable consideration assessing the most likely amount to recognize and considering management's expectation of the volume of services to be provided over the applicable period. Rebates are the largest component of variable consideration and are estimated using the most likely amount method prescribed by ASC 606, contracts terms and estimates of revenue. Revenues are recognized net of variable consideration to the extent that it is probable that a significant reversal of revenues will not occur in subsequent periods.

On a limited basis, the Company may have fixed-price contracts, for which revenues are recognized over time using the input method based on time incurred as a proportion of estimated total time. Time incurred represents work performed, which corresponds with, and therefore best depicts, the transfer of control to the client. Management uses significant judgments when estimating the total hours expected to complete the contract performance obligation. It is possible that updated estimates for consulting engagements may vary from initial estimates with such updates being recognized in the period of determination. Depending on the timing of billings and services rendered, the Company accrues or defers revenue as appropriate.

The Company recognizes revenues on a gross basis as it acts as a principal for primarily all of its revenue transactions. The Company has concluded that gross reporting is appropriate because the Company a) has the risk of identifying and hiring qualified consultants; b) has the discretion to select the consultants and establish the price and responsibilities for services to be provided; and c) bears the risk for services provided that are not fully paid for by clients. The Company recognizes all reimbursements received from clients for "out-of-pocket" expenses as revenue and all such expenses as direct cost of services. Reimbursements received from clients were \$9.4 million, \$12.3 million and \$11.8 million for the years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018, respectively.

The Company's clients are contractually obligated to pay the Company for all hours billed. We invoice the majority of our clients on a weekly basis or, in certain circumstances, on a monthly basis, in accordance with our typical arrangement of payment due within 30 days. To a much lesser extent, the Company also earns revenue if one of its consultants is hired by, or if the Company places an outside candidate with, its client. Conversion fees or permanent placement fees are recognized when one of the Company's professionals, or a candidate identified by the Company, accepts an offer of permanent employment from a client and all requisite terms of the agreement have been met. Such conversion fees or permanent placement fees are recognized when the performance obligation is considered complete, which the Company considers a) when the consultant or candidate accepts the position; b) the consultant or candidate has notified either RGP or their current employer of their decision; and c) the start date is within the Company's

current quarter. Conversion fees were 0.4%, 0.5% and 0.4% of revenue for the years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018, respectively. Permanent placement fees were 0.6%, 0.6% and 0.3% of revenue for the years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018, respectively.

The Company's contracts generally have termination for convenience provisions and do not have termination penalties. While our clients are contractually obligated to pay the Company for all hours billed, the Company does not have long-term agreements with its clients for the provision of services and the Company's clients may terminate engagements at any time. All costs of compensating the Company's professionals are the responsibility of the Company and are included in direct cost of services.

Foreign Currency Translation

The financial statements of subsidiaries outside the U.S. are measured using the local currency as the functional currency. Assets and liabilities of these subsidiaries are translated at current exchange rates, income and expense items are translated at average exchange rates prevailing during the period and the related translation adjustments are recorded as a component of comprehensive income or loss within stockholders' equity. Gains and losses from foreign currency transactions are included in selling, general and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Per Share Information

The Company presents both basic and diluted earnings per share ("EPS"). Basic EPS is calculated by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS is based upon the weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding during the period, calculated using the treasury stock method. Under the treasury stock method, exercise proceeds include the amount the employee must pay for exercising stock options, the amount of compensation cost related to stock awards for future services that the Company has not yet recognized and the amount of tax benefits that would be recorded when the award becomes deductible. Common equivalent shares are excluded from the computation in periods in which they have an anti-dilutive effect. Stock options for which the exercise price exceeds the average market price over the period are anti-dilutive and are excluded from the calculation.

The following table summarizes the calculation of net income per share for the years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018 (in thousands, except per share amounts):

| | For the Years Ended | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|----|-----------------|----|-----------------|--|
| | May 30, 2020 | | May 25, 2019 | | May 26, 2018 | |
| Net income | \$ 28,285 | \$ | 31,470 | \$ | 18,826 | |
| Basic: | | | | | | |
| Weighted average shares | 31,989 | | 31,596 | | 30,741 | |
| Diluted: | | | | | | |
| Weighted average shares | 31,989 | | 31,596 | | 30,741 | |
| Potentially dilutive shares | 238 | | 611 | | 469 | |
| Total dilutive shares | 32,227 | | 32,207 | | 31,210 | |
| Net income per common share: | | | | | | |
| Basic | \$ 0.88 | \$ | 1.00 | \$ | 0.61 | |
| Dilutive | \$ 0.88 | \$ | 0.98 | \$ | 0.60 | |
| Anti-dilutive shares not included above | 4,731 | | 3,316 | | 4,619 | |

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers cash on hand, deposits in banks, and short-term investments purchased with an original maturity date of three months or less to be cash and cash equivalents. The carrying amounts reflected in the consolidated balance sheets for cash and cash equivalents approximate the fair values due to the short maturities of these instruments.

Financial Instruments

The fair value of the Company's financial instruments reflects the amounts that the Company estimates it will receive in connection with the sale of an asset in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (exit price). The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the use of inputs used in valuation techniques into the following three levels:

Level 1 – Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities.

Level 2 – Observable inputs other than quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets.

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs.

The following table shows the Company's financial instruments that are measured and recorded in the consolidated financial statements at fair value on a recurring basis (in thousands):

| | May 30, 2020 | | | | May 25, 2019 | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------|---------|----|--------------|----------|---------|--|--|--|
| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | | | |
| Assets: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Short-term investments | \$ - \$ | - \$ | | \$ | - \$ | 5,981 \$ | _ | | | |
| Total assets | \$ - \$ | - \$ | | \$ | - \$ | 5,981 \$ | | | | |
| | | | _ | | | | | | | |
| Liabilities: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Contingent consideration liability | \$ - \$ | - \$ | 7,898 | \$ | - \$ | - \$ | 2,195 | | | |
| Total liabilities | \$ - \$ | - \$ | 7,898 | \$ | - \$ | - \$ | 2,195 | | | |

The Company's short-term investments had original contractual maturities of between three months and one year and are considered "held-to-maturity" securities. The Company had no investments with a maturity in excess of one year as of the end of either fiscal year 2020 or 2019. The Company's investments in commercial paper or money market account are measured using quoted prices in markets that are not active (Level 2). There were no unrealized holding gains or losses as of May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019.

Contingent consideration liability presented in the table above is for estimated future contingent consideration cash payments related to the Company's acquisitions. Total contingent consideration liabilities were \$7.9 million and \$2.2 million as of May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019, respectively. The fair value measurement of the liability is based on significant inputs not observed in the market and thus represents a Level 3 measurement. The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the contingent consideration liability are the Company's measures of the estimated payouts based on internally generated financial projections and discount rates. The fair value of contingent consideration liability is remeasured on a quarterly basis by the Company using additional information as it becomes available, and any change in the fair value estimates are recorded in selling, general and administrative expenses in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations. See Note 3 – *Acquisitions and Dispositions*.

The Company's financial instruments, including cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable, accrued expenses and long-term debt are carried at cost, which approximates their fair value because of the short-term maturity of these instruments or because their stated interest rates are indicative of market interest rates.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The Company maintains an allowance for doubtful accounts for estimated losses resulting from its clients' failure to make required payments for services rendered. Management estimates this allowance based upon knowledge of the financial condition of the Company's clients (which may not include knowledge of all significant events), review of historical receivable and reserve trends and other pertinent information. If the financial condition of the Company's clients deteriorates or there is an unfavorable trend in aggregate receivable collections, additional allowances may be required.

The following table summarizes the activity in our allowance for doubtful accounts (in thousands):

| | | | | Currency | | |
|--------------|----|----------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| | Ве | eginning | Charged to | Rate | (Write-offs)/ | Ending |
| | E | Balance | Operations | Changes | Recoveries | Balance |
| Years Ended: | | | | | | |
| May 26, 2018 | \$ | 2,517 | \$ 826 | \$ 12 | \$ (1,715) | \$ 1,640 |
| May 25, 2019 | \$ | 1,640 | \$ 1,540 | \$ - | \$ (660) | \$ 2,520 |
| May 30, 2020 | \$ | 2,520 | \$ 1,840 | \$ (18) | \$ (1,275) | \$ 3,067 |

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment is stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Building 30 years Furniture 5 to 10 years

Leasehold improvements Lesser of useful life of asset or term of lease

Computer, equipment and software 3 to 5 years

Costs for normal repairs and maintenance are expensed to operations as incurred, while renewals and major refurbishments are capitalized.

Long-lived Assets

The Company evaluates the recoverability of long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. The impairment test comprises two steps. The first step compares the carrying amount of the asset to the sum of expected undiscounted future cash flows. If the sum of expected undiscounted future cash flows is less than the carrying amount of the asset, a second step is warranted and an impairment loss is measured as the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its fair value calculated using the present value of estimated net future cash flows. The Company recorded \$0.6 million right-of-use ("ROU") assets impairment for the year ended May 30, 2020 associated with exiting certain real estate leases as part of its restructuring and business transformation initiative. The impairment charge is included in selling, general and administrative expense in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended May 30, 2020.

Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Goodwill is recorded at the time of an acquisition and is calculated as the difference between the aggregate consideration paid for an acquisition and the fair value of the net tangible and intangible assets acquired. Goodwill is not subject to amortization but the carrying value is tested for impairment on an annual basis in the fourth quarter of the fiscal year, or more frequently if the Company believes indicators of impairment exist. Impairment evaluations involve management's assessment of qualitative factors to determine whether it is more likely than not that goodwill is impaired. If management concludes from its assessment of qualitative factors that it is more likely than not that impairment exists, then a quantitative impairment test will be performed. Significant management judgment is required in the forecasts of future operating results that are used in these evaluations. For application of this methodology, the Company determined that it operates as a single reporting unit resulting from the combination of its practice offices. The Company's annual goodwill impairment analysis indicated that there was no related impairment for the fiscal years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018, respectively.

The Company's identifiable intangible assets include customer contracts and relationships, tradenames, backlog, consultant list, non-compete agreements and computer software. These assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over lives ranging from 17 months to ten years.

See Note 4 — *Intangible Assets and Goodwill* for a further description of the Company's intangible assets.

Stock-Based Compensation

The Company recognizes compensation expense for all share-based payment awards made to employees and directors, including restricted stock awards, employee stock options and employee stock purchases made via the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "ESPP"), based on estimated fair value at the date of grant.

The Company estimates the fair value of share-based payment awards on the date of grant using an option-pricing model. The value of the portion of the award that is ultimately expected to vest is recognized as an expense over the requisite service periods. If the actual number of forfeitures differs from that estimated by management, additional adjustments to compensation expense may be required in future periods. Excess income tax benefits and deficiencies from stock-based compensation are recognized as a discrete item within the provision for income taxes on the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations. Stock options vest over four years and restricted stock award vesting is determined on an individual grant basis under the Company's 2014 Performance Incentive Plan ("2014 Plan"). The Company determines the estimated value of stock options using the Black-Scholes valuation model and the estimated value of restricted stock awards using the closing price of the Company's common stock on the date of grant. The Company recognizes stock-based compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the service period for awards that are expected to vest and records adjustments to compensation expense at the end of the service period if actual forfeitures differ from original estimates.

See Note 13 — Stock-Based Compensation Plans for further information on the 2014 Plan and stock-based compensation.

Income Taxes

The Company recognizes deferred income taxes for the estimated tax consequences in future years of differences between the tax basis of assets and liabilities and their financial reporting amounts at each year-end based on enacted tax laws and statutory rates applicable to the periods in which the differences are expected to affect taxable income. Valuation allowances are established to reduce deferred tax assets to the amount expected to be realized when, in management's opinion, it is more likely than not that some portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The provision for income taxes represents current taxes payable net of the change during the period in deferred tax assets and liabilities. The Company also evaluates its uncertain tax positions and only recognizes the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from such positions are measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than 50 percentage likelihood of being realized upon settlement. The Company records a liability for unrecognized tax benefits resulting from uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. Any change in judgment related to the expected ultimate resolution of uncertain tax positions is recognized in earnings in the period in which such change occurs.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Accounting Pronouncements Adopted During Fiscal Year 2020

Effective as of the beginning of fiscal year 2020, the Company adopted Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2016-02, Leases, ASU No. 2018-10, Codification Improvements to Topic 842, Leases and ASU No. 2018-11, Targeted Improvements to Topic 842, Leases. The guidance is intended to increase transparency and comparability among companies for leasing transactions, including a requirement for companies that lease assets to recognize on their balance sheets the assets and liabilities for the rights and obligations created by those leases. The guidance also provides for disclosures that allow the users of financial statements to assess the amount, timing, and uncertainty of cash flows arising from leases.

The Company adopted the guidance on May 26, 2019, the first day of its fiscal 2020, using the modified retrospective approach through a cumulative-effect adjustment, which after completing the implementation analysis, resulted in no adjustment to the Company's May 26, 2019 beginning retained earnings balance. Periods prior to the date of adoption are presented in accordance with ASC 840, *Leases*. As part of the adoption, the Company elected the package of practical expedients, which among other things, permits the Company to not reassess whether any expired or existing contracts are or contain leases, the lease classification for any expired or existing leases, and the initial direct costs for any existing leases. The Company also elected the practical expedient to not assess whether existing land easements that were not previously accounted for as leases are or contain a lease under the new guidance. The Company did not elect the hindsight practice expedient to use hindsight when determining lease term and assessing impairment of

ROU lease assets. On May 26, 2019, the Company recognized \$43.2 million of ROU assets and \$51.0 million of operating lease liabilities, including noncurrent operating lease liabilities of \$38.5 million, as a result of the adoption. The difference between the ROU assets and the operating lease liabilities was primarily due to previously accrued rent expense relating to periods prior to May 26, 2019, and the remaining prepaid rent balance as of May 25, 2019. The adoption did not have an impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations or cash flows. Additional information and disclosures required by the new standard are contained in Note 6—*Leases*.

In January 2017, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued ASU No. 2017-04 *Intangibles-Goodwill and Other (Topic 350): Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment* ("ASU 2017-04"). ASU 2017-04 eliminates step two of the goodwill impairment test and specifies that goodwill impairment should be measured by comparing the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount. Additionally, the amount of goodwill allocated to each reporting unit with a zero or negative carrying amount of net assets should be disclosed. ASU 2017-04 is effective for annual or interim goodwill impairment tests performed in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019; early adoption is permitted. The Company early adopted ASU 2017-04 as of the beginning of fiscal 2020. The adoption of ASU 2017-04 did not have a material impact on the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements.

3. Acquisitions and Dispositions

Acquisition of Expertence

On November 30, 2019, the Company acquired Expertforce Interim Projects GmbH, LLC ("Expertence"), a leading provider of professional interim management services, based in Munich, Germany. With the acquisition of Expertence, the Company is able to offer a full range of project and management consulting services in the German market. The Company paid an initial cash consideration of \$0.4 million. The initial consideration is subject to final adjustments for the impact of working capital as defined in the purchase agreement.

In addition, the purchase agreement requires earn-out payments to be made based on performance over an 18-month period ending on May 31, 2021. The Company is obligated to pay the former owners of Expertence contingent consideration if certain revenue targets are achieved, up to a maximum of \$0.3 million. In determining the fair value of the contingent consideration liability, the Company used an estimate based on a number of possible projections over the earnout period and applied a probability to each possible outcome. Given the short duration of the earnout period, the fair value of contingent liability was measured on an undiscounted basis. The Company remeasures the fair value of the contingent consideration at each reporting period, and any change in fair value is recognized in the Company's results of operations in the applicable period. The estimate of the fair value of contingent consideration requires very subjective assumptions to be made of various potential revenue results. The Company does not expect future revisions to these assumptions to materially change the estimate of the fair value of contingent consideration and the Company's future operating results.

Fair value of consideration transferred (in thousands):

| Cash Estimated initial contingent consideration | \$ 383 305 |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| Total | \$ 688 |
| Recognized amounts of identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed (in thousands): | |
| Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable Prepaid expenses and other current assets | \$ 11 215 7 |
| Intangible assets: Computer software (24 months useful life) Total identifiable assets Accounts payable Accrued expenses and other current liabilities Deferred tax liability Total liabilities assumed Net identifiable assets acquired | 184 417 196 8 59 263 |
| Goodwill Net assets acquired | \$ 534 688 |

Results of operations of Expertence are included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations from the date of acquisition and were not material to the Company's consolidated results of operations. The amount of the acquisition costs incurred as included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended May 30, 2020 was immaterial.

Acquisition of Veracity

On July 31, 2019, the Company acquired Veracity Consulting Group, LLC ("Veracity"), a fast-growing, digital transformation firm based in Richmond, Virginia, that delivers innovative solutions to the Fortune 500 and leading healthcare organizations. The acquisition of Veracity is a critical step in accelerating the Company's stated objective to enhance its digital capabilities and allows the Company to offer comprehensive end-to-end solutions to its clients by combining Veracity's customer-facing offerings with the Company's depth of experience in transforming the back office. The Company paid an initial cash consideration of \$30.3 million (net of \$2.1 million cash acquired). The initial consideration is subject to final adjustments for the impact of the Internal Revenue Code Section 338(h)(10) joint election between the Company and former owners of Veracity and working capital as defined in the purchase agreement.

In addition, the purchase agreement requires earn-out payments to be made in cash based on performance after each of the first and second anniversary of the acquisition date. The Company is obligated to pay the former owners of Veracity contingent consideration if certain earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA") requirements are achieved. In determining the fair value of the contingent consideration liability, the Company used the Monte Carlo simulation modeling which included the application of an appropriate discount rate (Level 3 fair value). The Company remeasures the fair value of the contingent consideration at each reporting period, and any change in fair value is be recognized in the Company's results of operations in the applicable period. The estimate of fair value of contingent consideration requires very subjective assumptions to be made, including various potential EBITDA results and discount rates. Future revisions to these assumptions could materially change the estimate of the fair value of contingent consideration and therefore could materially affect the Company's future operating results.

During the quarter ended August 24, 2019, the Company made an initial provisional allocation of the purchase price for Veracity based on the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, with the residual amount recorded as goodwill, in accordance with ASC 805, *Business Combinations*. The Company's initial purchase price allocation considered a number of factors, including the valuation of identifiable intangible assets and contingent consideration. During the three months ended November 23, 2019, the Company adjusted the previously reported provisional allocation of the purchase price to reflect new information obtained during the quarter, which resulted in changes in expected future performance and cash flows as of the acquisition date. There were no additional adjustments to the provisional purchase price allocation during the remaining periods in fiscal year ended May 30, 2020.

The following table provides a summary of the adjusted provisional purchase price allocation.

Fair value of consideration transferred (in thousands):

| Cash | \$ 32,314 |
|--|--------------|
| Estimated initial contingent consideration | 6,290 |
| Total | \$ 38,604 |
| | _ |
| Recognized provisional amounts of identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed (in thousands): | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 2,056 |
| Accounts receivable | 3,299 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 116 |
| Intangible assets: | |
| Backlog (17 months useful life) | 1,210 |
| Customer relationships (7 years useful life) | 9,300 |
| Trademarks (3 years useful life) | 570 |
| Property and equipment | 117 |
| Total identifiable assets | 16,668 |
| Accounts payable | 305 |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 712 |
| Total liabilities assumed | 1,017 |
| Net identifiable assets acquired | 15,651 |
| Goodwill | 22,953 |
| Net assets acquired | \$ 38,604 |

The remeasured purchase price allocation above may be subject to further adjustments during the measurement period if new information is obtained about facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date. A final determination of fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed relating to the acquisition could differ from the stated purchase price allocation.

During fiscal 2020, the fair value of the Veracity contingent consideration increased by \$1.3 million. Such amounts were recorded in selling, general and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. As of May 30, 2020, this contingent consideration liability was \$7.6 million, of which \$5.0 million was included in Other current liabilities and \$2.6 million was included in Other long-term liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Results of operations of Veracity are included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations from the date of acquisition. Veracity contributed \$18.8 million to consolidated revenue and \$4.1 million to income from operations during fiscal 2020. The Company incurred \$0.6 million in acquisition costs which were recorded in selling, general and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations during fiscal 2020.

Prior Year Acquisitions

Cash

During fiscal 2018, the Company completed two acquisitions. The first acquisition, completed August 31, 2017 (the second quarter of fiscal 2018), was of *taskforce* – Management on Demand AG ("*taskforce*"), a German based professional services firm founded in 2007, that provided clients with senior interim management and project management expertise. Subsequent to the acquisition, *taskforce* continues to operate as a separate brand. The Company paid initial consideration of €5.8 million (approximately \$6.9 million at the date of acquisition) in a combination of cash and restricted stock.

The following table summarizes the consideration for the acquisition of *taskforce* and the amounts of the identified assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date:

\$

4,384

Fair Value of Consideration Transferred (in thousands, except share and per share amounts):

| Cubii | Ψ | 1,501 |
|--|----------|---------|
| Working capital adjustment -receivable | | (123) |
| Common stock - 226,628 shares @ \$11.48 (closing price on acquisition date discounted for restriction on sal | e) | 2,602 |
| Estimated initial contingent consideration | , | 6,514 |
| Total | \$ | 13,377 |
| | <u> </u> | |
| Recognized amounts of identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed (in thousands): | | |
| | Ф | 074 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 974 |
| Accounts receivable | | 1,930 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | | 45 |
| Intangible assets | | 5,727 |
| Property and equipment | | 39 |
| Total identifiable assets | | 8,715 |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | | 2,116 |
| Accrued salaries and related obligations | | 16 |
| Other current liabilities | | 140 |
| Total liabilities assumed | | 2,272 |
| Net identifiable assets acquired | | 6,443 |
| Deferred tax liability | | (1,815) |
| Goodwill | | 8,749 |
| Net assets acquired | \$ | 13,377 |
| | | |

In addition, the purchase agreement for *taskforce* required additional earn-out payments to be made based on performance in calendar years 2017, 2018 and 2019. Under accounting rules for business combinations, obligations that are contingently payable to the sellers based upon the occurrence of one or more future events are recorded as a discounted liability on the Company's balance sheet. The Company was obligated to pay the sellers in Euros as follows: for calendar year 2017, Adjusted EBITDA times 6.1 times 20%; and for both calendar years 2018 and 2019, Adjusted EBITDA times 6.1 times 15%; (Adjusted EBITDA is calculated as defined

in the purchase agreement). The Company estimated the fair value of the obligation to pay the remaining contingent consideration based on a number of different projections of the estimated Adjusted EBITDA for the year. Each reporting period, the Company estimates changes in the fair value of contingent consideration and any change in fair value is recognized in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations. The estimate of fair value of contingent consideration requires very subjective assumptions to be made of various potential Adjusted EBITDA results and discount rates. During the year ended May 25, 2019, the Company decreased the remaining estimated contingent consideration for calendar year 2019 by €523,000 (\$590,000) and also recognized accretion expense on the discounted liability. These amounts are included in SG&A for the respective periods. During the year ended May 30, 2020, the Company did not have any material adjustment to the contingent consideration liability relating to *taskforce*. Results of operations of *taskforce* are included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations from the date of acquisition.

The payment for calendar year 2017 of \in 2.1 million (approximately \$2.6 million) was made on March 28, 2018. The payment for calendar year 2018 of \in 1.6 million (approximately \$1.9 million) was made on March 27, 2019. A final contingent consideration payment of \in 1.6 million (\$1.8 million) was made on March 30, 2020.

The second acquisition occurred December 4, 2017 (the third quarter of fiscal 2018) when the Company acquired substantially all of the assets and assumed certain liabilities of Accretive Solutions, Inc. ("Accretive"). Accretive was a professional services firm that provided expertise in accounting and finance, enterprise governance, business technology and business transformation solutions to a wide variety of organizations in the U.S. and supported startups through its Countsy suite of back office services. The Company paid consideration of \$20.0 million in cash and issued 1,072,000 shares of Resources Connection, Inc. common stock restricted for sale for four years.

The following table summarizes the consideration paid for Accretive and the amounts of the identified assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date (in thousands, except number of shares and per share amount):

| Cash | \$ 20,047 |
|--|--------------|
| Common stock - 1,072,474 shares @ \$10.96 (closing price on acquisition date discounted for restriction on sale) | 11,754 |
| Total | \$ 31,801 |
| Recognized amounts of identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed (in thousands): | |
| Accounts receivable \$ | 11,360 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 1,084 |
| Intangible assets | 15,200 |
| Property and equipment | 979 |
| Total identifiable assets | 28,623 |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | 3,649 |
| Accrued salaries and related obligations | 4,562 |
| Other current liabilities | 136 |
| Total liabilities assumed | 8,347 |
| Net identifiable assets acquired | 20,276 |
| Goodwill | 11,525 |
| Net assets acquired \$ | 31,801 |

On October 14, 2019, the Company reached a final settlement on a pre-acquisition claim with the seller of Accretive. As a part of the settlement, the Company issued 82,762 shares of common stock to the seller and received \$0.6 million in cash from the escrow. The resulting gain of \$0.5 million was included in Other income in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended May 30, 2020.

Dispositions

On September 2, 2019, the Company completed the sale of certain assets and liabilities of its foreign subsidiary, Resources Global Professionals Sweden AB, to Capacent Holding AB (publ), a Swedish public company, for SEK1,016,862 (approximately \$105,000) in cash, resulting in a loss on sale of assets of approximately \$38,000. As a part the sale, the Company transferred the majority of its local customer contracts, the existing office lease as well as all its employee consultants. As a result of the sale, the nearby Denmark and Norway markets also discontinued serving local Sweden customer contracts. The Company expects to continue to serve its global client base and to a lesser extent, its remaining local client contracts, in Sweden and Denmark.

In addition, during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020, the Company discontinued its operations in Belgium, Luxembourg and Norway. All three legal entities were dissolved as of the end of fiscal 2020. In connection with the foregoing sale of assets and exit activities, the Company incurred costs of approximately \$0.7 million primarily related to employee termination benefits. Such expenses were included in selling, general and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended May 30, 2020. None of the markets sold or exited are considered strategic components of the Company's operations.

In connection with exiting the above-mentioned entities, the Company analyzed the facts and circumstances regarding its historical and current investments, along with its associated accounting and tax positions. Based on the analysis, the Company recorded a tax benefit related to the worthless stock loss in the investment in its wholly owned subsidiaries as well as worthless loans to these subsidiaries. See Note 8 – *Income taxes*.

4. Intangible Assets and Goodwill

The following table presents details of the Company's intangible assets, estimated lives and related accumulated amortization (in thousands):

| | | As of May 30, 2020 | | | | | As of May 25, 2019 | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|-----|--------------------|----|-------------|----|--------|--------------------|--------|----|------------|----|--------|
| | | | Ac | cumulated | | | | | Ac | cumulated | | |
| | | Gross | An | nortization | | Net | | Gross | An | ortization | | Net |
| Customer contracts and | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| relationships (3-8 years) | \$ | 23,779 | \$ | (6,707) | \$ | 17,072 | \$ | 14,495 | \$ | (3,439) | \$ | 11,056 |
| Tradenames (3-10 years) | | 4,960 | | (2,735) | | 2,225 | | 4,407 | | (1,563) | | 2,844 |
| Backlog (17 months) | | 1,210 | | (694) | | 516 | | - | | - | | - |
| Consultant list (3 years) | | 776 | | (718) | | 58 | | 783 | | (462) | | 321 |
| Non-compete agreements (3 years | (3) | 888 | | (821) | | 67 | | 896 | | (528) | | 368 |
| Computer software (2 years) | | 185 | | (46) | | 139 | | - | | - | | - |
| Total | \$ | 31,798 | \$ | (11,721) | \$ | 20,077 | \$ | 20,581 | \$ | (5,992) | \$ | 14,589 |

The weighted-average useful lives of the customer contracts and relationships, tradenames and backlog are approximately 7.2 years, 5.7 years, and 1.4 years, respectively. The weighted-average useful life of all of the Company's intangible assets is 6.5 years.

The following table summarizes amortization expense for the years stated (in thousands):

| | For the Years Ended | | | | |
|----------------------|-------------------------|----|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| | May 30, 2020 | | May 25, 2019 | May 26, 2018 | |
| Amortization expense | \$ 5,745 | \$ | 3,799 | \$ | 2,298 |

The following table presents future estimated amortization expense based on existing intangible assets (in thousands):

| | <u> </u> | Fiscal Years | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|--------------|----|-------|----|-------|----|-------|----|-------|
| | | 2021 | | 2022 | | 2023 | | 2024 | | 2025 |
| Expected amortization expense | \$ | 4,602 | \$ | 3,336 | \$ | 3,138 | \$ | 3,101 | \$ | 3,101 |

The following table summarizes the activity in the Company's goodwill balance (in thousands):

| | For the Years Ended | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|-----------------|----|---------|--|--|--|
| | | May 25, 2019 | | | | | |
| Goodwill, beginning of year | \$ | 2020 190,815 | \$ | 191,950 | | | |
| Acquisitions (see Note 3) | | 23,487 | | - | | | |
| Impact of foreign currency exchange rate changes | | (235) | | (1,135) | | | |
| Goodwill, end of period | \$ | 214,067 | \$ | 190,815 | | | |

5. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment consist of the following (in thousands):

| | As of May 30, 2020 | | | As of |
|--|-----------------------|----------|----|--------------|
| | | | | May 25, 2019 |
| Building and land | \$ | 14,244 | \$ | 14,227 |
| Computers, equipment and software | | 18,102 | | 20,042 |
| Leasehold improvements | | 19,903 | | 22,074 |
| Furniture | | 10,256 | | 11,260 |
| | | 62,505 | | 67,603 |
| Less accumulated depreciation and amortization | | (38,861) | | (40,971) |
| | \$ | 23,644 | \$ | 26,632 |

6. Leases

The Company currently leases office space, vehicles and certain equipment under operating leases expiring through 2028. At May 30, 2020, the Company had no finance leases. The Company's operating leases are primarily for real estates, which include fixed payments plus, in some cases, scheduled base rent increases over the term of the lease. Certain leases require variable payments of common area maintenance, operating expenses and real estate taxes applicable to the property. Variable payments are excluded from the measurements of lease liabilities and are expensed as incurred. Any tenant improvement allowances received from the lessor are recorded as a reduction to rent expense over the term of the lease. None of the Company's lease agreements contained residual value guarantees or material restrictive covenants. The Company has not entered into any real estate lease arrangements where it occupies the entire building. As such, the Company does not have any separate land lease components embedded within any of its real estate leases.

The Company determines if an arrangement is a lease at the inception of the contract. Specially, the Company considers whether it can control the underlying asset and have the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits or outputs from the assets. The ROU assets represent the right to use the underlying assets for the lease term and the lease liabilities represent the Company's obligation to make lease payments arising from the leases. The Company's lease liability is recognized as of the lease commencement date at the present value of the lease payments over the lease term. The Company's ROU asset is recognized as of the lease commencement date at the amount of the corresponding lease liability, adjusted for prepaid lease payments, lease incentives received, and initial direct costs incurred. The Company evaluates its ROU assets for impairment consistent with its impairment of long-lived assets policy. See Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies. ROU assets are presented as operating right-of-use assets in the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheet as of May 30, 2020. Operating lease liabilities are presented as operating lease liabilities, current or operating lease liabilities, noncurrent in the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheet based on their contractual due dates. Operating lease expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term, and is recognized in selling, general and administrative expenses in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Most of the Company's leases do not provide an implicit rate that can be readily determined. Therefore, the Company uses a discount rate based on its incremental borrowing rate and the information available at the commencement date. The incremental borrowing rate is the rate of interest that the Company would have to pay to borrow on a fully collateralized basis over a similar term in an amount equal to the total lease payments in a similar economic environment. The Company has a centrally managed treasury function; therefore, the portfolio approach is applied in determining the incremental borrowing rate. Application at the portfolio level is not materially different from applying guidance at the individual lease level.

Certain of the Company's leases include one or more options to renew or terminate the lease at the Company's discretion. Generally, the renewal and termination options are not included in the ROU assets and lease liabilities as they are not reasonably certain of exercise. The Company regularly evaluates lease renewal and termination options and, when they are reasonably certain of exercise, includes the renewal or termination option in the lease term.

In some instances, the Company subleases excess office space to third party tenants. The Company, as sublessor, continues to account for the head lease under the provisions of the adopted lease accounting standard described in Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies. If the lease cost for the term of the sublease exceeds the Company's anticipated sublease income for the same period, this indicates that the right-of-use asset associated with the head lease should be assessed for impairment under the long-lived asset impairment provisions. Sublease income is included in selling, general and administrative expenses in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The Company has elected the practical expedient that allows lessees to choose to not separate lease and non-lease components by class of underlying asset and is applying this expedient to all real estate asset classes. Additionally, the Company has also made an accounting policy election to recognize the lease payments under short-term leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term without recognizing the lease liability and the ROU asset.

Lease cost components are included within selling, general and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations were as follows (in thousands):

| | Year Ended ny 30, 2020 |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Operating lease cost | \$ 12,308 |
| Short-term lease cost | 345 |
| Variable lease cost | 2,808 |
| Sublease income | (610) |
| Total lease cost | \$ 14,851 |

The weighted average lease terms and discount rates for operating leases at May 30, 2020 are presented in the following table:

| | As of |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| | May 30, 2020 |
| Weighted average remaining lease term | 4.3 years |
| Weighted average discount rate | 4.09% |

Cash flow and other information related to operating leases is included in the following table for the year ended May 30, 2020 (in thousands):

| | For the Year Ended | |
|--|--------------------|------------|
| | Ma | y 30, 2020 |
| Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of operating lease liabilities | \$ | 13,311 |
| ROU assets obtained in exchange for new operating lease obligations | \$ | 3,452 |

Future maturities of operating lease liabilities at May 30, 2020 are presented in the following table (in thousands):

| Years Ending: | Operating Lease Matur | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|--------|--|
| May 29, 2021 | \$ | 12,610 | |
| May 28, 2022 | | 10,942 | |
| May 27, 2023 | | 8,584 | |
| May 25, 2024 | | 7,046 | |
| May 31, 2025 | | 3,412 | |
| Thereafter | | 3,168 | |
| Total minimum payments | \$ | 45,762 | |

| Less: interest | - | (3,867) |
|--|----|---------|
| Present value of operating lease liabilities | \$ | 41,895 |

The Company leases approximately 13,000 square feet of the approximately 57,000 square feet of a Company owned building located in Irvine, California to independent third parties and has operating lease agreements for sub-let space with independent third parties expiring through fiscal 2025. Rental income received for the years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018 totaled \$210,000, \$240,000 and \$305,000, respectively. Under the terms of these operating lease agreements, rental income from such third-party leases is expected to be \$204,000, \$219,000, \$225,000, \$232,000 and \$78,000 in fiscal 2021 through 2025, respectively.

7. Long-Term Debt

In October 2016, the Company entered into the \$120.0 million Facility with Bank of America, consisting of (i) a \$90.0 million revolving loan facility ("Revolving Loan"), which includes a \$5.0 million sublimit for the issuance of standby letters of credit, and (ii) a \$30.0 million reducing revolving loan facility ("Reducing Revolving Loan"), any amounts of which may not be reborrowed after being repaid. The Facility is available for working capital and general corporate purposes, including potential acquisitions and stock repurchases. The Company's obligations under the Facility are guaranteed by all of the Company's domestic subsidiaries and secured by essentially all assets of the Company, Resources Connection LLC and their respective domestic subsidiaries, subject to certain customary exclusions. Borrowings under the Facility bear interest at a rate per annum of either, at the Company's option, (i) a London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") defined in the Facility plus a margin of 1.25% or 1.50% or (ii) an alternate base rate, plus a margin a of 0.25% or 0.50% with the applicable margin depending on the Company's consolidated leverage ratio. The alternate base rate is the highest of (i) Bank of America's prime rate, (ii) the federal funds rate plus 0.50% and (iii) the Eurodollar rate plus 1.0%. The Company pays an unused commitment fee on the average daily unused portion of the Facility at a rate of 0.15% to 0.25% depending upon on the Company's consolidated leverage ratio. The Facility expires on October 17, 2021.

The Facility contains both affirmative and negative covenants. Covenants include, but are not limited to, limitations on the Company's and its subsidiaries' ability to incur liens, incur additional indebtedness, make certain restricted payments, merge or consolidate and make dispositions of assets. In addition, the Facility requires the Company to comply with financial covenants limiting the Company's total funded debt, minimum interest coverage ratio and maximum leverage ratio. The Company was compliant with all financial covenants under the Facility as of May 30, 2020.

Upon the occurrence of an event of default under the Facility, the lender may cease making loans, terminate the Facility and declare all amounts outstanding to be immediately due and payable. The Facility specifies a number of events of default (some of which are subject to applicable grace or cure periods), including, among other things, non-payment defaults, covenant defaults, cross-defaults to other material indebtedness, bankruptcy and insolvency defaults and material judgment defaults.

The Company's borrowings under the Facility were \$88.0 million and \$43.0 million as of May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019, respectively. In addition, the Company had \$1.3 million of outstanding letters of credit issued under the Facility as of both May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019. There was \$0.7 million remaining capacity under the Revolving Loan and \$30.0 million remaining capacity under the Reducing Revolving Loan as of May 30, 2020. As of May 30, 2020, the interest rates on the Company's borrowings under the Facility ranged from 2.14% to 2.25%.

8. Income Taxes

The following table represents the current and deferred income tax provision for federal, state and foreign income taxes attributable to operations (in thousands):

| | | For the Years Ended | | | | |
|----------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| | May 30, 2020 | May 25, 2019 | May 26, 2018 | | | |
| Current | | | · | | | |
| Federal | \$ 3,038 | \$ 5,068 | \$ 10,785 | | | |
| State | 1,302 | 2,278 | 2,829 | | | |
| Foreign | 1,686 | 2,690 | (392) | | | |
| | 6,026 | 10,036 | 13,222 | | | |
| Deferred | | | | | | |
| Federal | 874 | 5,890 | (3,011) | | | |
| State | 245 | 619 | 367 | | | |
| Foreign | (202) | (46) | (515) | | | |
| _ | 917 | 6,463 | (3,159) | | | |
| | \$ 6,943 | \$ 16,499 | \$ 10,063 | | | |

Income before provision for income taxes is as follows (in thousands):

| | | For the Years Ended | | | | |
|----------|----|---------------------|----|---------|----|---------|
| | I | Лау 30, |] | May 25, |] | May 26, |
| | | 2020 | | 2019 | | 2018 |
| Domestic | \$ | 36,148 | \$ | 41,828 | \$ | 26,774 |
| Foreign | | (920) | | 6,141 | | 2,115 |
| • | \$ | 35,228 | \$ | 47,969 | \$ | 28,889 |

The provision for income taxes differs from the amount that would result from applying the federal statutory rate as follows:

| | For the Years Ended | | | | |
|--|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|
| | May 30, 2020 | May 25, 2019 | May 26, 2018 | | |
| Statutory tax rate | 21.0 % | 21.0 % | 29.4 % | | |
| State taxes, net of federal benefit | 3.6 | 4.9 | 7.9 | | |
| Non-U.S. rate adjustments | 0.9 | 1.3 | (0.8) | | |
| Stock-based compensation | 3.2 | 2.8 | 4.5 | | |
| Long-term net capital gains | - | (6.1) | 10.1 | | |
| Foreign tax credit | - | 9.3 | (16.5) | | |
| Valuation allowance | 4.1 | (2.8) | (4.3) | | |
| Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income ("GILTI") | 0.9 | 1.1 | - | | |
| Worthless Stock Deduction | (14.8) | - | - | | |
| Worthless Debt Deduction | (2.6) | - | - | | |
| FIN48 | 1.6 | - | - | | |
| Permanent items, primarily meals and entertainment | 2.0 | 1.4 | 3.2 | | |
| Deferred tax impact of U.S. federal rate changes | - | 0.1 | (2.8) | | |
| Deferred tax impact of foreign rate changes | (0.2) | 1.2 | 3.9 | | |
| Other, net | <u> </u> | 0.2 | 0.2 | | |
| Effective tax rate | 19.7 % | 34.4 % | 34.8 % | | |

The impact of state taxes, net of federal benefit, and foreign income taxed at other than U.S. rates fluctuates year over year due to the changes in the mix of operating income and losses amongst the various states and foreign jurisdictions in which the Company operates.

The components of the net deferred tax asset (liability) consist of the following (in thousands):

| | May | As of May 30, 2020 | | As of May 25, 2019 |
|--|-----|--------------------------|----|--------------------------|
| Deferred tax assets: | | | | |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | \$ | 1,158 | \$ | 1,108 |
| Accrued compensation | | 3,716 | | 3,347 |
| Accrued expenses | | 2,652 | | 2,418 |
| Stock options and restricted stock | | 4,870 | | 5,541 |
| Foreign tax credit | | 567 | | 498 |
| Net operating losses | | 12,018 | | 14,489 |
| State taxes | | 70 | | 208 |
| Gross deferred tax asset | | 25,051 | | 27,609 |
| Valuation allowance | | (11,069) | | (13,190) |
| Gross deferred tax asset, net of valuation allowance | | 13,982 | | 14,419 |
| Deferred tax liabilities: | | | | |
| Property and equipment | | (547) | | (77) |
| Outside basis difference - Sweden investment | | (263) | | - |
| Goodwill and intangibles | | (17,790) | | (17,991) |
| Net deferred tax liability | \$ | (4,618) | \$ | (3,649) |

The Company had a net income tax receivable of \$3.5 million and \$1.0 million as of May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019, respectively.

The tax benefit associated with the exercise of nonqualified stock options and the disqualifying dispositions by employees of incentive stock options, restricted stock awards and shares issued under the Company's ESPP reduced income taxes payable by \$0.9 million and \$1.8 million for the years ended May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019, respectively.

The Company has foreign net operating loss carryforwards of \$53.2 million and foreign tax credit carryforwards of \$0.6 million. The foreign tax credits will expire beginning in fiscal 2023. The following table summarizes the net operating loss expiration periods.

| | Amount of Net | |
|----------------------|------------------|---|
| Expiration Periods | Operating Losses | |
| Fiscal Years Ending: | (in thousands) | |
| 2021 | \$ 3,936 |) |
| 2022 | 154 | + |
| 2023 | 251 | |
| 2024 | 2,312 | |
| 2025 | 540 |) |
| 2026-2029 | 1,917 | , |
| Unlimited | 44,083 | , |
| | \$ 53,193 | _ |

The following table summarizes the activity in our valuation allowance accounts (in thousands):

| | | Currency | | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|----------|------------|----|---------|----|---------|
| | Beginning | | Charged to | | Rate | | Ending |
| | Balance | | Operations | | Changes | | Balance |
| Years Ended: | | | | | | | |
| May 26, 2018 | \$ 15,971 | \$ | (1,181) | \$ | 508 | \$ | 15,298 |
| May 25, 2019 | \$ 15,298 | \$ | (1,440) | \$ | (668) | \$ | 13,190 |
| May 30, 2020 | \$ 13,190 | \$ | (1,919) | \$ | (202) | \$ | 11,069 |

Realization of the deferred tax assets is dependent upon generating sufficient future taxable income. Management believes that it is more likely than not that all other remaining deferred tax assets will be realized through future taxable earnings or alternative tax strategies.

Deferred income taxes have not been provided on the undistributed earnings of approximately \$21.1 million from the Company's foreign subsidiaries as of May 30, 2020 since these amounts are intended to be indefinitely reinvested in foreign operations. If the earnings of the Company's foreign subsidiaries were to be distributed, management estimates that the income tax impact would be immaterial as a result of the transition tax and federal dividends received deduction for foreign source earnings provided under the US Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017.

The following table summarizes the activity related to the gross unrecognized tax benefits (in thousands):

| | For the Years Ended | | |
|---|---------------------|--------|-----------------|
| | May 30, 2020 | | May 25, 2019 |
| Unrecognized tax benefits, beginning of year | \$ | 42 \$ | 42 |
| Gross decreases-tax positions in prior period | | (42) | - |
| Gross increases-current period tax positions | | 848 | - |
| Unrecognized tax benefits, end of year | \$ | 848 \$ | 42 |
| | | | |

The Company's total liability for unrecognized gross tax benefits was \$848,000 and \$42,000 as of May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019, respectively; which, if ultimately recognized, would impact the effective tax rate in future periods. The unrecognized tax benefits are included in long-term liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. None of the unrecognized tax benefits are short-term liabilities due to the closing of the statute of limitations.

The Company's major income tax jurisdiction is the U.S., with federal statutes of limitations remaining open for fiscal 2017 and thereafter. For states within the U.S. in which the Company does significant business, the Company remains subject to examination for fiscal 2016 and thereafter. Major foreign jurisdictions in Europe remain open for fiscal years ended 2015 and thereafter.

The Company recognizes interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits as a part of its provision for income taxes. During the fiscal year ended May 30, 2020, the Company did not accrue for any interest and penalties as a component of the liability for unrecognized tax benefits.

9. Accrued Salaries and Related Obligations

Accrued salaries and related obligations consist of the following (in thousands):

| | Л | As of As of May 30, May 2020 201 | | |
|--|----|----------------------------------|----|------------------|
| Accrued salaries and related obligations Accrued bonuses | \$ | 14,795 17,897 | \$ | 19,667 20,645 |
| Accrued vacation | \$ | 19,715 52,407 | \$ | 18,316 58,628 |

10. Concentrations of Credit Risk

The Company currently maintains cash and cash equivalents in commercial paper or money market accounts.

Financial instruments, which potentially subject the Company to concentration of credit risk, consist primarily of trade receivables. However, concentrations of credit risk are limited due to the large number of customers comprising the Company's customer base and their dispersion across different business and geographic areas. The Company monitors its exposure to credit losses and maintains an allowance for anticipated losses. A significant change in the liquidity or financial position of one or more of the Company's customers could result in an increase in the allowance for anticipated losses. No single customer accounted for more than 10% of revenue for the years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018. No single customer accounted for more than 10% of trade accounts receivable as of May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019.

11. Stockholders' Equity

The Company has 70,000,000 authorized shares of common stock with a \$0.01 par value. At May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019, there were 32,144,000 and 31,588,000 shares of common stock outstanding, respectively, all of which provide the holders with voting rights.

The Company has authorized for issuance 5,000,000 shares of preferred stock with a \$0.01 par value per share. The board of directors has the authority to issue preferred stock in one or more series and to determine the related rights and preferences. No shares of preferred stock were outstanding as of May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019.

Stock Repurchase Program

The Company's board of directors has periodically approved a stock repurchase program authorizing the repurchase, at the discretion of the Company's senior executives, of the Company's common stock for a designated aggregate dollar limit. The current program was authorized in July 2015 (the "July 2015 program") and set an aggregate dollar limit not to exceed \$150 million. Repurchases under the program may take place in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions and may be made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan. During the years ended May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019, the Company purchased on the open market approximately 0.3 million and 1.8 million shares of its common stock, respectively, at an average price of \$15.70 and \$16.17 per share, respectively, for approximately \$5.0 million and \$29.9 million, respectively. As of May 30, 2020, approximately \$85.1 million remained available for future repurchases of the Company's common stock under the July 2015 program.

Quarterly Dividend

Subject to approval each quarter by its board of directors, the Company pays a regular dividend. On April 15, 2020, the board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.14 per share of the Company's common stock. The dividend, paid on June 10, 2020, was accrued in the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheet as of May 30, 2020 for \$4.5 million. Continuation of the quarterly dividend is at the discretion of the board of directors and depends upon the Company's financial condition, results of operations, capital requirements, general business condition, contractual restrictions contained in the Company's current credit agreements and other agreements, and other factors deemed relevant by the board of directors.

12. Restructuring Activities

On February 27, 2020, the Company's management and board of directors committed to a global restructuring and business transformation plan (the "Plan") centered on strengthening the business for greater agility and resilience in anticipation of macroeconomic volatility. The Plan consists of two key components: an effort to streamline the management structure and eliminate non-essential positions to focus on core solution offerings, improve efficiency and enhance the employee experience; and a strategic rationalization of the Company's physical geographic footprint and real estate spend to focus investment dollars in high growth core markets for greater impact.

As part of the Plan, the Company completed a reduction in force (the "RIF") in early March in North America and Asia Pacific whereby it eliminated 73 positions. In connection with the RIF, the Company incurred \$3.9 million of employee termination costs in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020, of which \$2.0 million was paid at the end of fiscal 2020. An additional \$1.7 million is expected to be paid in fiscal 2021. The majority of employees impacted by the RIF exited the Company before the end of fiscal 2020, with the remainder expected to exit in the first half of fiscal 2021. The Company expects to incur and pay an additional \$1.4 million of employee termination costs in fiscal 2021.

The real estate component of the Plan is specifically targeted to shrink the Company's real estate footprint by 26% globally through either lease termination or subleasing. The Company exited from a number of leases during the fourth quarter resulting in \$1.1 million of non-cash charges relating to lease terminations and other costs associated with exiting the facilities, of which \$0.6 million was related to impairment of operating right-of-use assets and \$0.5 million was related to loss on disposal of fixed assets. The Company currently expects to incur additional restructuring charges in fiscal 2021 as it continues to exit certain real estate leases in accordance with the Plan. The exact amount and timing will depend on a number of variables, including market conditions. Given the current macro environment, particularly the current shift away from commercial real estate occupancy, accelerated by the Pandemic, management believes it could take longer and be more costly to terminate and sublet the Company's leases, therefore taking longer to realize the expected savings.

All of the employee termination costs and the facility exit costs associated with the Company's restructuring initiatives are recorded in selling, general and administrative expenses in the Company's Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended May 30, 2020. At May 30, 2020, unpaid employee termination benefits were included in accounts payable and accrued expenses in the

Company's Consolidated Balance Sheet. During the first quarter of fiscal 2021, the Company started the strategic business review in Europe, and currently expects to substantially complete the review and restructuring in Europe in fiscal 2021.

13. Stock-Based Compensation Plans

General

Executive officers and employees, as well as non-employee directors of the Company and certain consultants and advisors to the Company, are eligible to participate in the 2014 Plan. The 2014 Plan was approved by stockholders on October 23, 2014 and replaced and succeeded in its entirety the Resources Connection, Inc. 2004 Performance Incentive Plan and the 1999 Long Term Incentive Plan (together, the "Prior Stock Plans"). As of May 30, 2020, there were 1,453,000 shares available for award grant purposes under the 2014 Plan, subject to future increases as described in the 2014 Plan.

Awards under the 2014 Plan may include, but are not limited to, stock options, restricted stock units and restricted stock grants, including restricted stock units under the Company's Directors Deferred Compensation Plan. Stock option grants generally vest in equal annual installments over four years and terminate ten years from the date of grant. Restricted stock award vesting is determined on an individual grant basis. Awards of restricted stock under the 2014 Plan will be counted against the available share limit as two and a half shares for every one share actually issued in connection with the award. The Company's policy is to issue shares from its authorized shares upon the exercise of stock options.

A summary of the share-based award activity during fiscal 2020 under the 2014 Plan and the Prior Stock Plans follows (amounts in thousands, except weighted average exercise price):

| | Share-Based Awards Available for Grant | Number of Shares Under Option | Weighted Average Exercise Price | Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (in years) | Aggregate Intrinsic Value |
|---|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------|
| Awards outstanding at May 25, 2019 | 1,595 | 6,029 \$ | 15.95 | 6.06 | \$ 5,482 |
| Granted, at fair market value | (1,318) | 1,318 | 17.37 | | |
| Restricted stock (1) | (71) | = | - | | |
| Exercised | - | (376) | 13.63 | | |
| Forfeited (2) | 639 | (608) | 17.41 | | |
| Expired | 608 | (608) | 17.90 | | |
| Awards outstanding at May 30, 2020 | 1,453 | 5,755 \$ | 16.07 | 6.18 | \$ - |
| Exercisable at May 30, 2020 | | 3,392 \$ | 15.10 | 4.45 | \$ - |
| Vested and expected to vest at May 30, 2020 (3) | | 5,566 \$ | 16.00 | 6.04 | \$ - |

- (1) Amounts represent restricted shares granted. Share-based awards available for grant are reduced by 2.5 shares for each share awarded as stock grants from the 2014 Plan.
- (2) Amounts represent both stock options and restricted share awards forfeited. For stock options, represent one share for each stock option forfeited. For restricted share awards, represents 2.5 shares for each restricted share award forfeited.
- (3) The expected to vest options are the result of applying the pre-vesting forfeiture rate assumptions to options not yet vested of 2,391,052 and 2,481,959 as of May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019, respectively.

The aggregate intrinsic value in the preceding table represents the total pre-tax intrinsic value, based on the Company's closing stock price of \$10.99 as of May 29, 2020 (the last actual trading day of fiscal 2020), which would have been received by the option holders had all option holders exercised their options as of that date.

The total pre-tax intrinsic value related to stock options exercised during the years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018 was \$1.2 million, \$5.2 million and \$1.7 million, respectively. The total estimated fair value of stock options that vested during the years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018 was \$3.5 million, \$5.4 million and \$5.1 million, respectively.

Valuation and Expense Information for Stock Based Compensation Plans

The following table summarizes the impact of the Company's stock-based compensation plans. Stock-based compensation expense is included in selling, general and administrative expenses and consists of stock-based compensation expense related to employee stock options, ESPP stock purchase rights and restricted stock (in thousands, except per share amounts):

| | For the Years Ended | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|----|-----------------|----|-----------------|
| | | May 30, 2020 | | May 25, 2019 | | May 26, 2018 |
| Income before income taxes | \$ | (6,057) | \$ | (6,570) | \$ | (6,033) |
| Net income | \$ | (5,865) | \$ | (6,539) | \$ | (5,697) |
| Net income per share: | | _ | | _ | | |
| Basic | \$ | (0.18) | \$ | (0.21) | \$ | (0.19) |
| Diluted | \$ | (0.18) | \$ | (0.20) | \$ | (0.18) |

Stock-based compensation expense in the table above includes compensation for restricted shares of \$1.1 million, \$1.7 million and \$1.4 million for the years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018, respectively.

The weighted average estimated fair value per share of employee stock options granted during the years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018 was \$3.88, \$4.74 and \$3.61, respectively, using the Black-Scholes model with the following assumptions:

| | For the Years Ended | | | | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| | May 30, 2020 | May 25, 2019 | May 26, 2018 | | | |
| Expected volatility | 30.9% - 32.9% | 31.6% - 34.7% | 30.3% - 34.5% | | | |
| Risk-free interest rate | 1.5% - 1.8% | 3.1% - 3.2% | 2.1% - 2.4% | | | |
| Expected dividends | 3.4% - 3.7% | 3.2% | 3.1% | | | |
| Expected life | 5.6 - 8.1 years | 5.7 - 8.3 years | 5.7 - 8.2 years | | | |

The following table summarizes the activity for restricted stock during fiscal 2020:

| | Total Number of |
|--|-----------------|
| | Shares |
| Unvested restricted shares outstanding at May 25, 2019 | 158,926 |
| Granted | 28,372 |
| Vested | (84,891) |
| Forfeited | (12,500) |
| Unvested restricted shares outstanding at May 30, 2020 | 89,907 |

As of May 30, 2020, there was \$7.6 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested employee stock options granted. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.76 years. At May 30, 2020, there was approximately \$1.9 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to restricted shares, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.70 years.

Employee Stock Purchase Plan

On October 15, 2019, the Company's stockholders approved the 2019 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "2019 ESPP" or the "ESPP") which supersedes the 2014 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "2014 ESPP" or the "ESPP"). The maximum number of shares of the Company's common stock authorized for issuance under the 2019 ESPP is 1,825,000. The remaining 6,000 unissued shares under the 2014 ESPP are no longer available for issuance.

The Company's ESPP allows qualified employees (as defined in the ESPP) to purchase designated shares of the Company's common stock at a price equal to 85% of the lesser of the fair market value of common stock at the beginning or end of each semi-annual stock purchase period. The Company issued 400,000, 358,000 and 339,000 shares of common stock pursuant to the ESPP for the years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018, respectively. There were 1,641,000 shares of common stock available for issuance under the 2019 ESPP as of May 30, 2020.

14. Benefit Plan

The Company has a defined contribution 401(k) plan ("the plan") which covers all employees in the U.S. who have completed 90 days of service and are age 21 or older. Participants may contribute up to 50% of their annual salary up to the maximum amount allowed by statute. As defined in the plan agreement, the Company may make matching contributions in such amount, if any, up to a maximum of 6% of individual employees' annual compensation. The Company, at its sole discretion, determines the matching contribution made from quarter to quarter. To receive matching contributions, the employee must be employed on the last business day of the fiscal quarter. For the years ended May 30, 2020, May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2018, the Company contributed \$6.5 million, \$6.4 million and \$5.6 million, respectively, to the plan as Company matching contributions.

15. Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information

Additional information regarding cash flows is as follows (in thousands):

| | For the Years Ended | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-------|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| | May 30, | | May 25, | | May 26, | |
| | | 2020 | | 2019 | | 2018 |
| Income taxes paid | \$ | 8,258 | \$ | 14,229 | \$ | 10,601 |
| Interest paid | \$ | 2,191 | \$ | 2,440 | \$ | 1,769 |
| Non-cash investing and financing activities: | | | | | | _ |
| Capitalized leasehold improvements paid directly by landlord Acquisition of Veracity: | \$ | 137 | \$ | 2,312 | \$ | 65 |
| Liability for contingent consideration Acquisition of Expertence: | \$ | 7,570 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Liability for contingent consideration Acquisition of <i>taskforce</i> : | \$ | 328 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Issuance of common stock | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | 2,602 |
| Liability for contingent consideration Acquisition of Accretive: | \$ | - | \$ | 2,195 | \$ | 4,289 |
| Issuance of common stock | \$ | 1,141 | \$ | - | \$ | 11,754 |
| Dividends declared, not paid | \$ | 4,512 | \$ | 4,105 | \$ | 3,791 |

16. Commitments and Contingencies

Legal Proceedings

The Company is involved in certain legal matters in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, all such matters, if disposed of unfavorably, would not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position, cash flows or results of operations.

17. Segment Information and Enterprise Reporting

The Company discloses information regarding operations outside of the U.S. The Company operates as one segment. The accounting policies for the domestic and international operations are the same as those described in Note 2 -- Summary of Significant Accounting Policies. Summarized information regarding the Company's domestic and international operations is shown in the following table. Amounts are stated in thousands:

| | Revenue for the Years Ended | | | | | <u></u> | Long-Lived Assets (1) as of | | | |
|---------------|---------------------------------|----|-----------------|----|-----------------|---------|-----------------------------|----|-----------------|--|
| | May 30, 2020 | | May 25, 2019 | | May 26, 2018 | | May 30, 2020 | | May 25, 2019 | |
| United States | \$ 568,725 | \$ | 575,641 | \$ | 510,935 | \$ | 254,649 | \$ | 200,385 | |
| International | 134,628 | | 153,358 | | 143,194 | | 37,426 | | 31,651 | |
| Total | \$ 703,353 | \$ | 728,999 | \$ | 654,129 | \$ | 292,075 | \$ | 232,036 | |

(1) Long-lived assets are comprised of goodwill, intangible assets, property and equipment, and ROU assets.

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As required by SEC Rule 13a-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), the Company carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of May 30, 2020. Based on this evaluation, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of May 30, 2020.

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f). We maintain internal control over financial reporting designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Under the supervision and with the participation of management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, the Company conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting based on the criteria established in the 2013 *Internal Control – Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. This evaluation included an assessment of the design of the Company's internal control over financial reporting and testing of the operational effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting. Based on this evaluation, management has concluded that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of May 30, 2020.

The Company's independent registered public accounting firm, RSM US LLP, has audited the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of May 30, 2020, as stated in their report which is included in this Item 9A under the heading "Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm."

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There has been no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the fiscal quarter ended May 30, 2020 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Stockholders and the Board of Directors of Resources Connection, Inc.

Opinion on the Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

We have audited Resources Connection, Inc. and subsidiaries' (the Company) internal control over financial reporting as of May 30, 2020, based on criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in 2013. In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of May 30, 2020, based on criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in 2013.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the consolidated balance sheets of the Company as of May 30, 2020 and May 25, 2019, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended May 30, 2020, and our report dated July 27, 2020, expressed an unqualified opinion.

Basis for Opinion

The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audit also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Definition and Limitations of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ RSM US LLP

Irvine, California July 27, 2020



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Shareholder Information

Corporate Publications

Copies of Resources Connection Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended May 30, 2020 (excluding exhibits thereto), as well as historical Resources Connection, Inc. quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and other Securities and Exchange Commission filings (excluding exhibits thereto) are available without charge upon request to the Investor Relations Department, Resources Connection Inc., 17101 Armstrong Avenue, Irvine, CA 92614, or from the Company's Investor Relations website at http://ir.rgp/com.

Forward-Looking Statements

Please refer to the section entitled "Caution Concerning Forward-Looking Statements" included in this Annual Report.

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