## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

## **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 12, 2024

# EUROPEAN WAX CENTER, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-40714 (Commission File Number) 86-3150064 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

5830 Granite Parkway, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Plano, Texas (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

75024 (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (469) 264-8123

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

D Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Class A common stock, par value \$0.00001 per share	EWCZ	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

#### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 14, 2024, European Wax Center, Inc. (the "Company") issued the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 reporting its financial results for the 13 and 26 weeks ended July 6, 2024.

All of the information included in Items 2.02 and 9.01 of this report and Exhibit 99.1 hereto is being furnished and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filings, unless expressly incorporated by specific reference in such filing.

# Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

#### Departure of Principal Executive Officer

On August 14, 2024, the Company announced that David Willis departed from his position as Chief Executive Officer of the Company, effective August 12, 2024.

#### Appointment of Principal Executive Officer

In connection with Mr. Willis's departure as Chief Executive Officer, the Company announced on August 14, 2024 that David Berg, who has served the Company as Executive Chair since 2023 and previously served as the Company's Chief Executive Officer, assumed the role of Chief Executive Officer effective as of August 12, 2024.

Mr. Berg, age 63, has served as Executive Chair of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") since September 2023 and a member of EWC Venture, LLC's board of directors since October 2018. Mr. Berg has served as a member of the Company's Board since April 2021 and served as Chief Executive Officer from October 2018 to September 2023. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Berg served as Chief Executive Officer of Carlson Hospitality Group from May 2015 to March 2017, where he led the Carlson corporate center and managed the global hotel business. He also served as Chief Operating Officer of Carlson from January 2014 to April 2015. Previously, he served as Chief Executive Officer and Chief Customer Service Officer of Z Wireless from June 2013 to January 2014, as Executive Vice President and President of Outback Steakhouse from September 2011 to May 2013, as Chief Operating Officer of GNC Holdings Inc. from September 2009 to September 2011, and as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Best Buy International from 2002 until 2009. He also served on the board of directors of Planet Fitness from September 2015 to May 2020. Mr. Berg received a B.A. in Economics from Emory University, and a J.D. with honors from the University of Florida College of Law.

In connection with the appointment of Mr. Berg as Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Berg's annual base salary will be \$600,000 and he will be eligible to participate in the Company's bonus program with a target bonus of 100% of base salary. In connection with Mr. Berg's appointment as Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Berg will receive (i) a bonus of \$250,000, (ii) a grant of 500,000 stock options with an exercise price equal to the closing price of a share of the Company's Class A common stock on August 14, 2024, and (iii) a grant of 500,000 stock options with an exercise price of \$14.00. The options will vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant, generally subject to continued employment through the applicable vesting date. Mr. Berg is also entitled to receive up to \$7,500 per month for nine months for certain expenses incurred in connection with his service as Chief Executive Officer, including housing and travel.

Mr. Berg will continue to serve as Executive Chair of the Board. Mr. Berg will receive the compensation outlined in this Section 5.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K for his service as the Company's Chief Executive Officer, but will receive no additional compensation for his service as a member of the Board.

## Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

The Company issued a press release in connection with the announcement of Mr. Berg's appointment as Chief Executive Officer, a copy of which is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.2.

All of the information included in this Item 7.01 and the accompanying exhibit is being furnished and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filings, unless expressly incorporated by specific reference in such filing.



## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit	
Number	Description
99.1	Press release reporting financial results for the 13 and 26 weeks ended July 6, 2024, issued by European Wax Center, Inc. on August 14, 2024.
99.2	Press release announcing the appointment of David Berg as Chief Executive Officer, issued by European Wax Center, Inc. on August 14,
	<u>2024.</u>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

## SIGNATURES

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

Date: August 14, 2024

EUROPEAN WAX CENTER, INC.

By: /s/ GAVIN M. O'CONNOR

Name: Gavin M. O'Connor Title: Chief Administrative Officer, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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## European Wax Center, Inc. Reports Second Quarter Fiscal Year 2024 Results

Updates fiscal 2024 outlook including expected net new center openings

## Second Quarter Fiscal 2024 versus 2023

- Net new centers increased 5.6% to 1,059 total centers in 45 states
- System-wide sales of \$260.2 million increased 2.3%
- Total revenue of \$59.9 million increased 1.3%
- Same-store sales increased 1.6%
- GAAP net income of \$6.0 million increased 7.3%
- Adjusted net income of \$7.3 million increased 4.0%
- Adjusted EBITDA of \$20.6 million decreased 2.6%

Plano, TX, August 14, 2024 - Today, European Wax Center, Inc. (NASDAQ: EWCZ), the largest and fastest-growing franchisor and operator of out-of-home waxing services in the United States, reports financial results for the 13 and 26 weeks ended July 6, 2024.

In a separate release today, European Wax Center announced that its Board of Directors has appointed David Berg as Chief Executive Officer ("CEO"), effective August 12, 2024. Mr. Berg succeeds David Willis, who served as CEO and previously held various positions including President, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer.

David Berg, Executive Chairman and CEO of European Wax Center, Inc. stated, "I'm excited to be back as CEO at European Wax Center during an important time for our business. While the second quarter marked a period of top line growth, anchored by the consistency and stability of our core guests, the ongoing macroeconomic environment continues to pressure consumer spending and our ability to attract and retain new guests to our brand. We have also worked with our franchise partners to reevaluate near-term development plans and extend the timeline of new center openings to allow more capacity and resources to improve overall performance. As a result, we are updating our full year financial guidance, including our outlook for new center openings."

Mr. Berg continued, "As I transition back into the day-to-day CEO role, I am working with the executive team, franchise partners, associates and our Board to put an action plan in place to reinvigorate new guest growth and retention and drive transactions even in a tough macroeconomic environment. Our financial performance and our new center productivity are inextricably linked, and we believe that improving center performance will feed the flywheel for unit development and expansion. By narrowing our focus on key priorities, I believe that our "says" will match our "dos" going forward, and we will continue to deliver value for all stakeholders while positioning European Wax Center to generate meaningful top-line, bottom-line and unit growth over the long-term."

## Results for the Second Quarter of Fiscal 2024 versus Fiscal 2023

- Franchisees opened 8 net new centers, and we ended the quarter with 1,059 centers, representing a 5.6% increase versus 1,003 centers in prior year period.
- System-wide sales of \$260.2 million increased 2.3% from \$254.2 million in the prior year period driven by net new centers opened over the past twelve months and increased spend by guests at existing centers.
- Total revenue of \$59.9 million increased 1.3% from \$59.1 million in the prior year period.
- Same-store sales increased 1.6%.

- Selling, general and administrative expenses ("SG&A") of \$12.9 million decreased 8.7% from \$14.1 million in the prior year period. SG&A as a percent of total revenue improved 230 basis points to 21.6% from 23.9%, primarily due to lower incentive compensation expense and the receipt of proceeds from a legal judgment, partially offset by increased technology expenses.
- Interest expense of \$6.4 million decreased from \$6.8 million in the prior year period, primarily due to an increase in interest income from the Company's short-term investments.
- Income tax expense was \$1.7 million compared to \$2.8 million, and the effective tax rate was 22.5% compared to 33.1% in the prior year period.
- Net income of \$6.0 million increased 7.3% from \$5.6 million, and Adjusted net income of \$7.3 million increased 4.0% from \$7.1 million in the prior year period.
- Adjusted EBITDA of \$20.6 million decreased 2.6% from \$21.2 million in the prior year period. As a percent of total revenue, Adjusted EBITDA margin decreased 140 basis points to 34.5% from 35.9%.
- The Company repurchased \$10.0 million of its Class A Common Stock during the period.

## Year-to-Date Results through the Second Quarter of Fiscal 2024 versus Fiscal 2023

- Franchisees opened 15 net new centers in the first half of fiscal 2024.
- System-wide sales of \$481.5 million increased 1.9% from \$472.6 million in the prior year-to-date period driven by net new centers opened over the past twelve months and increased spend by guests at existing centers.
- Total revenue of \$111.7 million increased 2.5% from \$109.0 million in the prior year-to-date period.
- Same-store sales increased 0.3%.
- SG&A of \$26.4 million decreased 16.0% from \$31.4 million in the prior year-to-date period. SG&A as a percent of total revenue improved 520 basis points to 23.6% from 28.8%, primarily due to lower incentive and share-based compensation expense and the receipt of proceeds from a legal judgment, partially offset by increased technology expenses.
- Interest expense of \$12.7 million decreased from \$13.6 million in the prior year-to-date period, primarily due to increased interest income.
- Income tax expense was \$3.0 million compared to \$2.3 million, and the effective tax rate was 23.4% compared to 33.2% in the prior year-todate period.
- Net income of \$9.7 million increased 114.2% from \$4.5 million, and Adjusted net income of \$12.2 million increased 16.1% from \$10.5 million in the prior year-to-date period.
- Adjusted EBITDA of \$38.1 million increased 1.7% from \$37.5 million in the prior year-to-date period. As a percent of total revenue, Adjusted EBITDA margin decreased 30 basis points to 34.1% from 34.4%.

#### **Balance Sheet and Cash Flow**

The Company ended the quarter with \$55.7 million in cash and cash equivalents, \$6.5 million in restricted cash, \$392.0 million in borrowings outstanding under its senior secured notes and no outstanding borrowings under its revolving credit facility. Net cash provided by operating activities totaled \$14.4 million during the quarter.

## Fiscal 2024 Outlook<sup>(1)</sup>

The Company updates its previous outlook for fiscal year 2024 as follows:								
	Fiscal 2024 Outlook (Current)	Fiscal 2024 Outlook (Previous)						
New Center Openings, Net	27 to 32	75 to 80						
System-Wide Sales	\$930 million to \$950 million	\$1,000 million to \$1,025 million						
Total Revenue	\$216 million to \$221 million	\$225 million to \$232 million						
Same-Store Sales	(1.5)% to 0.5%	2% to 5%						
Adjusted Net Income <sup>(2)</sup>	\$19 million to \$22 million	\$22 million to \$25 million						
Adjusted EBITDA	\$70 million to \$74 million	\$75 million to \$80 million						

(1) Fiscal 2022 and Fiscal 2023 each included a 53rd week in the fourth quarter. The Company estimates the 53<sup>rd</sup> week contribution to the top and bottom line is approximately equal to the contribution from an average fourth quarter week. The Company's current outlook assumes no meaningful change in consumer behavior driven by inflationary pressures and no further impacts from incremental tightening in the labor market beyond what we see today.

(2) Adjusted net income outlook assumes an effective tax rate of approximately 25% for Fiscal 2024 computed by applying our estimated blended statutory tax rate and incorporating the effect of nondeductible and other rate impacting adjustments.

(3) Adjusted EBITDA outlook includes approximately \$4 million of costs related to the Company's investment in laser hair removal.

See "Disclosure Regarding Non-GAAP Financial Measures" and the reconciliation tables that accompany this release for a discussion and reconciliation of certain non-GAAP financial measures included in this release.

## Webcast and Conference Call Information

European Wax Center, Inc. will host a conference call to discuss second quarter fiscal 2024 results today, August 14, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. ET/7:00 a.m. CT. To access the conference call dial-in information, analysts should click here to register online at least 15 minutes before the start of the call. All other participants are asked to access the earnings webcast via https://investors.waxcenter.com. A replay of the webcast will be available two hours after the call and archived on the same web page for one year.

#### About European Wax Center, Inc.

European Wax Center, Inc. (NASDAQ: EWCZ) is the largest and fastest-growing franchisor and operator of out-of-home waxing services in the United States. European Wax Center locations perform more than 23 million services per year, providing guests with an unparalleled, professional personal care experience administered by highly trained wax specialists within the privacy of clean, individual waxing suites. The Company continues to revolutionize the waxing industry with its innovative Comfort Wax® formulated with the highest quality ingredients to make waxing a more efficient and relatively painless experience, along with its collection of proprietary products to help enhance and extend waxing results. By leading with its values – We Care About Each Other, We Do the Right Thing, We Delight Our Guests, and We Have Fun While Being Awesome – the Company is proud to be Certified<sup>TM</sup> by Great Place to Work®. European Wax Center, Inc. was founded in 2004 and is headquartered in Plano, Texas. Its network, which now includes more than 1,000 centers in 45 states, generated sales of \$955 million in fiscal 2023. For more information, including how to receive your first wax free, please visit: https://waxcenter.com.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

This press release includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements in this press release include but are not limited to European Wax Center, Inc.'s strategy, outlook and growth prospects, its operational and financial outlook for fiscal 2024, its capital

allocation strategy and its long-term targets and algorithm, including but not limited to statements under the heading "Fiscal 2024 Outlook" and statements by European Wax Center's chief executive officer. Words including "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "might," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "seek," "should," "will," or "would," or, in each case, the negative thereof or other variations thereon or comparable terminology are intended to identify forward-looking statements. In addition, any statements or information that refer to expectations, beliefs, plans, projections, objectives, performance or other characterizations of future events or circumstances, including any underlying assumptions, are forwardlooking.

These forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and beliefs. These statements are neither promises nor guarantees, but involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other important factors that may cause the Company's actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to: the operational and financial results of its franchisees; the ability of its franchisees to enter new markets, select appropriate sites for new centers or open new centers; the effectiveness of the Company's marketing and advertising programs and the active participation of franchisees in enhancing the value of its brand; the failure of its franchisees to participate in and comply with its agreements, business model and policies; the Company's and its franchisees' ability to attract and retain guests; the effect of social media on the Company's reputation; the Company's ability to compete with other industry participants and respond to market trends and changes in consumer preferences; the effect of the Company's planned growth on its management, employees, information systems and internal controls; the Company's ability to retain of effectively respond to a loss of key executives; a significant failure, interruptions or security breach of the Company's computer systems or information technology; the Company and its franchisees' ability to attract, train, and retain talented was specialists and managers; changes in the availability or cost of labor; the Company's ability to retain its franchisees and to maintain the quality of existing franchisees; failure of the Company's franchisees to implement business development plans; the ability of the Company's limited key suppliers, including international suppliers, and distribution centers to deliver its products; changes in supply costs and decreases in the Company's product sourcing revenue; the Company's ability to adequately protect its intellectual property; the Company's substantial indebtedness; the impact of paying some of the Company's pre-IPO owners for certain tax benefits it may claim; changes in general economic and business conditions; the Company's and its franchisees' ability to comply with existing and future health, employment and other governmental regulations; complaints or litigation that may adversely affect the Company's business and reputation; the seasonality of the Company's business resulting in fluctuations in its results of operations; the impact of global crises on the Company's operations and financial performance; the impact of inflation and rising interest rates on the Company's business; the Company's access to sources of liquidity and capital to finance its continued operations and growth strategy and the other important factors discussed under the caption "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 6, 2024 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), as such factors may be updated from time to time in its other filings with the SEC, accessible on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov and Investors Relations section of the Company's website at www.waxcenter.com.

These and other important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated by the forward-looking statements made in this press release. Any forward-looking statement that the Company makes in this press release speaks only as of the date of such statement. Except as required by law, the Company does not have any obligation to update or revise, or to publicly announce any update or revision to, any of the forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

## **Disclosure Regarding Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

In addition to the financial measures presented in this release in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"), the Company has included certain non-GAAP financial measures in this release, including Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA margin and Adjusted net income. Management believes these non-GAAP financial measures are useful because they enable management, investors, and others to assess the operating performance of the Company.

We define EBITDA as net income (loss) before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. We believe that EBITDA, which eliminates the impact of certain expenses that we do not believe reflect our underlying business performance, provides useful information to investors to assess the performance of our business.

We define Adjusted EBITDA as net income (loss) before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, adjusted for the impact of certain additional noncash and other items that we do not consider in our evaluation of ongoing performance of our core operations. These items include non-cash equity-based compensation expense, non-cash gains and losses on remeasurement of our tax receivable agreement liability, contractual cash interest on our tax receivable agreement liability, transaction costs and other one-time expenses.

We define Adjusted EBITDA margin as Adjusted EBITDA divided by total revenue.

We define Adjusted net income (loss) as net income (loss) adjusted for the impact of certain additional non-cash and other items that we do not consider in our evaluation of ongoing performance of our core operations. These items include non-cash equity-based compensation expense, debt extinguishment costs, non-cash gains and losses on remeasurement of our tax receivable agreement liability, contractual cash interest on our tax receivable agreement liability, transaction costs and other one-time expenses. Please refer to the reconciliations of non-GAAP financial measures to their GAAP equivalents located at the end of this release.

This release includes forward-looking guidance for certain non-GAAP financial measures, including Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted net income. These measures will differ from net income (loss), determined in accordance with GAAP, in ways similar to those described in the reconciliations at the end of this release. We are not able to provide, without unreasonable effort, guidance for net income (loss), determined in accordance with GAAP, or a reconciliation of guidance for Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted net income (loss) to the most directly comparable GAAP measure because the Company is not able to predict with reasonable certainty the amount or nature of all items that will be included in net income (loss).

## **Glossary of Terms for Our Key Business Metrics**

*System-Wide Sales.* System-wide sales represent sales from same day services, retail sales and cash collected from wax passes for all centers in our network, including both franchisee-owned and corporate-owned centers. While we do not record franchised system-wide sales as revenue, our royalty revenue is calculated based on a percentage of franchised system-wide sales, which are 6.0% of sales, net of retail product sales, as defined in the franchise agreement. This measure allows us to better assess changes in our royalty revenue, our overall center performance, the health of our brand and the strength of our market position relative to competitors. Our system-wide sales growth is driven by net new center openings as well as increases in same-store sales.

*Same-Store Sales.* Same-store sales reflect the change in year-over-year sales from services performed and retail sales for the same-store base. We define the same-store base to include those centers open for at least 52 full weeks. If a center is closed for greater than six consecutive days, the center is deemed a closed center and is excluded from the calculation of same-store sales until it has been reopened for a continuous 52 full weeks. This measure highlights the performance of existing centers, while excluding the impact of new center openings and closures. We review same-store sales for corporate-owned centers as well as franchisee-owned centers. Same-store sales growth is driven by increases in the number of transactions and average transaction size.

## EUROPEAN WAX CENTER, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Amounts in thousands, except share and per share amounts) (Unaudited)

		uly 6, 2024	January 6, 2024		
ASSETS					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	55,684	\$	52,735	
Restricted cash		6,465		6,493	
Accounts receivable, net		10,086		9,250	
Inventory, net		22,062		20,767	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		6,276		6,252	
Total current assets		100,573		95,497	
Property and equipment, net		1,732		2,284	
Operating lease right-of-use assets		3,866		4,012	
Intangible assets, net		154,595		164,073	
Goodwill		328,551		328,551	
Deferred income taxes		136,088		138,215	
Other non-current assets		2,504		3,094	
Total assets	\$	727,909	\$	735,726	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	16,385	\$	17,966	
Long-term debt, current portion		4,000		4,000	
Tax receivable agreement liability, current portion		2,873		9,363	
Deferred revenue, current portion		4,315		5,261	
Operating lease liabilities, current portion		1,274		1,232	
Total current liabilities		28,847		37,822	
Long-term debt, net		372,599		372,000	
Tax receivable agreement liability, net of current portion		197,908		197,273	
Deferred revenue, net of current portion		6,330		6,615	
Operating lease liabilities, net of current portion		2,926		3,158	
Other long-term liabilities		2,264		2,246	
Total liabilities		610,874		619,114	
Commitments and contingencies					
Stockholders' equity:					
Preferred stock (\$0.00001 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized, none issued and outstanding as of July 6, 2024 and January 6, 2024, respectively)		_		_	
Class A common stock (\$0.00001 par value, 600,000,000 shares authorized, 51,415,110 and 51,261,001 shares issued and 47,711,539 and 48,476,981 shares outstanding as of July 6, 2024 and January 6, 2024, respectively)		_		_	
Class B common stock (\$0.00001 par value, 60,000,000 shares authorized, 12,214,845 and 12,278,876 shares issued and outstanding as of July 6, 2024 and January 6, 2024, respectively)		_		_	
Treasury stock, at cost 3,703,571 and 2,784,020 shares of Class A common stock as of July 6, 2024 and January 6, 2024, respectively		(50,001)		(40,000)	
Additional paid-in capital		237,218		232,848	
Accumulated deficit		(102,379)		(109,506)	
Total stockholders' equity attributable to European Wax Center, Inc.		84,838		83,342	
Noncontrolling interests		32,197		33,270	
Total stockholders' equity		117,035		116,612	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	727,909	\$	735,726	

## EUROPEAN WAX CENTER, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Amounts in thousands) (Unaudited)

	For the Thirteen Weeks Ended				For the Twenty-Six Weeks Ended			
	Jı	ıly 6, 2024		July 1, 2023	July 6, 2024			July 1, 2023
REVENUE								
Product sales	\$	33,923	\$	33,725	\$	63,421	\$	61,567
Royalty fees		14,465		14,147		26,901		26,498
Marketing fees		8,142		7,915		15,238		14,817
Other revenue		3,341		3,303		6,185		6,100
Total revenue		59,871		59,090		111,745		108,982
OPERATING EXPENSES								
Cost of revenue		16,024		16,900		29,548		31,357
Selling, general and administrative		12,911		14,134		26,377		31,397
Advertising		11,576		8,684		20,264		16,493
Depreciation and amortization		4,985		5,045		9,985		10,108
Gain on sale of center				—		(81)		
Total operating expenses		45,496		44,763		86,093		89,355
Income from operations		14,375		14,327		25,652		19,627
Interest expense, net		6,367		6,762		12,703		13,624
Other expense (income)		269		(792)		249		(792)
Income before income taxes		7,739		8,357		12,700		6,795
Income tax expense		1,739		2,763		2,971		2,254
NET INCOME	\$	6,000	\$	5,594	\$	9,729	\$	4,541
Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		1,694		1,582		2,602		1,037
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO EUROPEAN WAX CENTER, INC.	\$	4,306	\$	4,012	\$	7,127	\$	3,504

## EUROPEAN WAX CENTER, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Amounts in thousands) (Unaudited)

		For the Twenty-Six Weeks Ended			
		ly 6, 2024	July 1, 2023		
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net income	\$	9,729	\$	4,541	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by					
operating activities:		2.005		10.1	
Depreciation and amortization		9,985		10,108	
Amortization of deferred financing costs		2,773		2,639	
Provision for inventory obsolescence		(70)		(11	
Provision for bad debts		113		80	
Deferred income taxes		2,789		2,164	
Remeasurement of tax receivable agreement liability		249		(792	
Gain on sale of center		(81)			
Loss on disposal of property and equipment		3		—	
Equity compensation		3,323		7,757	
Changes in assets and liabilities:					
Accounts receivable		(964)		(2,452	
Inventory, net		(1,246)		(506	
Prepaid expenses and other assets		948		(1,110	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(835)		(1,464	
Deferred revenue		(1,044)		529	
Other long-term liabilities		(541)		(263	
Net cash provided by operating activities		25,131		21,220	
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Purchases of property and equipment		(215)		(623	
Cash received for sale of center		135		_	
Net cash used in investing activities		(80)		(623	
Cash flows from financing activities:			-		
Principal payments on long-term debt		(2,000)		(2,000	
Distributions to EWC Ventures LLC members		(2,515)		(1,214	
Repurchase of Class A common stock		(10,001)		(819	
Taxes on vested restricted stock units paid by withholding shares		(393)		(146	
Dividend equivalents to holders of EWC Ventures units		(725)		(2,615	
Payments pursuant to tax receivable agreement		(6,496)		(3,209	
Net cash used in financing activities		(22,130)	-	(10,003	
Net increase in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		2,921		10,594	
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period		59,228		50,794	
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	\$	62,149	\$	61,388	
Supplemental cash flow information:					
Cash paid for interest	\$	10,976	\$	11,097	
Cash paid for income taxes	\$	444	\$	513	
Non-cash investing activities:	Ŷ		¥	012	
Property purchases included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	21	\$	_	
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for operating lease obligations	\$	592	\$	368	
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## Reconciliation of GAAP net income to Adjusted net income:

	For the Thirteen Weeks Ended				Fo	For the Twenty-Six Weeks Ended			
	July 6, 2024 July 1, 2023		Jul	ly 6, 2024	July 1, 2023				
(in thousands)									
Net income (loss)	\$	6,000	\$	5,594	\$	9,729	\$	4,541	
Share-based compensation <sup>(1)</sup>		1,941		1,826		3,323		7,757	
Remeasurement of tax receivable agreement liability (2)		269		(792)		249		(792)	
Gain on sale of center <sup>(3)</sup>				—		(81)			
Gain from legal judgment proceeds <sup>(4)</sup>		(659)				(739)			
Tax effect of adjustments to net income <sup>(5)</sup>		(209)		432		(327)		(1,039)	
Adjusted net income	\$	7,342	\$	7,060	\$	12,154	\$	10,467	

Represents non-cash equity-based compensation expense.
Represents non-cash adjustments related to the remeasurement of our tax receivable agreement liability.
Represents gain on the sale of a corporate-owned center.
Represents the collection of cash proceeds from a legal judgment.
Represents the income tax impact of non-GAAP adjustments computed by applying our estimated blended statutory tax rate to our share of the identified items and incorporating the effect of nondeductible and other rate impacting adjustments.

#### Reconciliation of GAAP net income to EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA:

	]	For the Thirteen Weeks Ended				For the Twenty-Six Weeks Ended			
	Ju	July 6, 2024 July 1, 2023		July 6, 2024		J	uly 1, 2023		
(in thousands)									
Net income	\$	6,000	\$	5,594	\$	9,729	\$	4,541	
Interest expense, net		6,367		6,762		12,703		13,624	
Income tax expense		1,739		2,763		2,971		2,254	
Depreciation and amortization		4,985		5,045		9,985		10,108	
EBITDA	\$	19,091	\$	20,164	\$	35,388	\$	30,527	
Share-based compensation <sup>(1)</sup>		1,941		1,826		3,323		7,757	
Remeasurement of tax receivable agreement liability (2)		269		(792)		249		(792)	
Gain on sale of center <sup>(3)</sup>				_		(81)		_	
Gain from legal judgment proceeds <sup>(4)</sup>		(659)				(739)		_	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	20,642	\$	21,198	\$	38,140	\$	37,492	
Adjusted EBITDA margin		34.5%		35.9%	, )	34.1%	, D	34.4%	

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Represents the collection of cash proceeds from a legal judgment.

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## European Wax Center Board of Directors Appoints David Berg as Chief Executive Officer

#### Industry veteran David Berg has served as Executive Chairman of European Wax Center since 2023 and previously served as Chief Executive Officer from 2018 to 2023

Plano, Texas, August 14, 2024 – Today, European Wax Center, Inc. (NASDAQ: EWCZ) (the "Company" or "European Wax Center"), the largest and fastest-growing franchisor and operator of out-of-home waxing services in the United States, announced that the Board of Directors has appointed David Berg as Chief Executive Officer (CEO), effective August 12, 2024. Mr. Berg succeeds David Willis, who served as CEO and previously held various positions including President, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer.

Mr. Berg has served as Executive Chairman of European Wax Center since September 2023 and will remain in this role. He previously served as CEO from 2018 to 2023. During his five-year tenure, Mr. Berg led the Company's expansion from nearly 700 centers to over 1,000 centers and led the Company through its successful initial public offering in 2021. Under Mr. Berg's leadership, the Company increased network sales at double-digit rates and more than doubled its bottom-line performance, while consistently meeting or exceeding its earnings guidance and returning over \$200 million of capital to shareholders through dividends and share repurchases.

"On behalf of the Board, we are pleased to welcome back David Berg as CEO. With his proven track record of driving sustained growth and shareholder returns, we believe he is the right leader to guide European Wax Center through this important time," said Andrew Crawford, Director and Chair of the Board's Nominating and Governance Committee. "The Board also thanks David Willis for his dedication and contributions over the last eight years, including the critical role he's played in the Company's transformation."

"When I first joined European Wax Center six years ago, I was most excited about the Company's undisputed leadership position, significant white space, passionate associates and consistent recurring revenue model that allowed our franchise partners to generate strong financial returns and reinvest in the brand," said Mr. Berg. "All of these attributes exist at European Wax Center today, and I remain excited and optimistic about the potential that lies ahead. At the same time, I know there is work to be done, and I look forward to diving in and partnering with the Board and entire European Wax Center team to deliver long-term value to our guests, associates, franchisees and shareholders. I would also like to thank David Willis for being an invaluable partner to me over the last six years, and I wish him all the best in his future endeavors."

#### Second Quarter 2024 Financial Results and Conference Call

European Wax Center will announce its financial results for 13 and 26 weeks ended July 6, 2024 in a separate release today. The Company will host a conference call to discuss second quarter fiscal 2024 results today, August 14, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. ET/7:00 a.m. CT. To access the conference call dial-in information, analysts should click here to register online at least 15 minutes before the start of the call. All other participants are asked to access the earnings webcast via https://investors.waxcenter.com.

## **About David Berg**

David Berg has served as Executive Chair of the Company's Board of Directors since September 2023 and a member of EWC Ventures' Board of Directors since October 2018. Mr. Berg has served as a member of the Company's Board of Directors since April 2021 and served as the Company's Chief Executive Officer from October 2018 to September 2023. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Berg served as Chief Executive Officer of Carlson Hospitality Group from May 2015 to March 2017, where he led the Carlson corporate center and managed the global hotel business. He also served as Chief Operating Officer of Carlson from January 2014 to April 2015. Previously, he served as Chief Executive Officer and Chief Customer Service Officer of Z Wireless from June 2013 to January 2014, as Executive Vice President and President of Outback Steakhouse from September 2011 to May 2013, as Chief Operating Officer of GNC Holdings Inc. from September 2009 to September 2011, and as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Best Buy International from 2002 until 2009. He also served on the Board of Directors of Planet Fitness from September 2015 to May 2020. Mr. Berg received a B.A. in Economics from Emory University, and a J.D. with honors from the University of Florida College of Law.

## About European Wax Center, Inc.

European Wax Center, Inc. (NASDAQ: EWCZ) is the largest and fastest-growing franchisor and operator of out-of-home waxing services in the United States. European Wax Center locations perform more than 23 million services per year, providing guests with an unparalleled, professional personal care experience administered by highly trained wax specialists within the privacy of clean, individual waxing suites. The Company continues to revolutionize the waxing industry with its innovative Comfort Wax® formulated with the highest quality ingredients to make waxing a more efficient and relatively painless experience, along with its collection of proprietary products to help enhance and extend waxing results. By leading with its values – We Care About Each Other, We Do the Right Thing, We Delight Our Guests, and We Have Fun While Being Awesome – the Company is proud to be Certified<sup>™</sup> by Great Place to Work®. European Wax Center, Inc. was founded in 2004 and is headquartered in Plano, Texas. Its network, which now includes more than 1,000 centers in 45 states, generated sales of \$955 million in fiscal 2023. For more information, including how to receive your first wax free, please visit: https://waxcenter.com.

## **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements in this press release include but are not limited to European Wax Center, Inc.'s strategy, outlook and growth prospects. Words including "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "might," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "seek," "should," or "would," or, in each case, the negative thereof or other variations thereon or comparable terminology are intended to identify forward-looking statements. In addition, any statements or information that refer to expectations, beliefs, plans, projections, objectives, performance or other characterizations of future events or circumstances, including any underlying assumptions, are forward-looking.

These forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and beliefs. These statements are neither promises nor guarantees, but involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other important factors that may cause the Company's actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to: the operational and financial results of its franchisees; the ability of its franchisees to enter new markets, select appropriate sites for new centers or open new centers; the effectiveness of the Company's marketing and advertising programs and the active participation of franchisees in enhancing the value of its brand; the failure of its franchisees to participate in and comply with its agreements, business model and policies; the Company's and its franchisees' ability to attract and retain guests; the effect of social media on the Company's reputation; the Company's ability to compete with other industry participants and respond to market trends and changes in consumer preferences; the effect of the Company's planned growth on its management, employees, information systems and internal controls; the Company's ability to retain of effectively respond to a loss of key executives; a significant failure, interruptions or security breach of the Company's computer systems or information technology; the Company and its franchisees' ability to attract, train, and retain talented wax specialists and managers; changes in the availability or cost of labor; the Company's ability to retain its franchisees and to maintain the quality of existing franchisees; failure of the Company's franchisees to implement business development plans; the ability of the Company's limited key suppliers, including international suppliers, and distribution centers to deliver its products; changes in supply costs and decreases in the Company's product sourcing revenue; the Company's ability to adequately protect its intellectual property; the Company's substantial indebtedness; the impact of paying some of the Company's pre-IPO owners for certain tax benefits it may claim; changes in general economic and business conditions; the Company's and its franchisees' ability to comply with existing and future health, employment and other governmental regulations; complaints or litigation that may adversely affect the Company's business and reputation; the seasonality of the Company's business resulting in fluctuations in its results of operations; the impact of global crises on the Company's operations and financial performance; the impact of inflation and rising interest rates on the Company's business; the Company's access to sources of liquidity and capital to finance its continued operations and growth strategy and the other important factors discussed

under the caption "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 6, 2024 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), as such factors may be updated from time to time in its other filings with the SEC, accessible on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov and Investors Relations section of the Company's website at www.waxcenter.com.

These and other important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated by the forward-looking statements made in this press release. Any forward-looking statement that the Company makes in this press release speaks only as of the date of such statement. Except as required by law, the Company does not have any obligation to update or revise, or to publicly announce any update or revision to, any of the forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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