

## Investor Update BROWN SHOE COMPANY, INC.

April 2008

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This investor update contains certain forward-looking statements and expectations regarding the Company's future performance and the future performance of its brands. Such statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially. These include (i) the preliminary nature of estimates of the costs and benefits of the Earnings Enhancement Plan, which are subject to change as the Company makes decisions and refines these estimates over time; (ii) potential disruption to the Company's business and operations as a result of the Company's decision to relocate positions from its Madison, Wisconsin office to its St. Louis, MO headquarters; (iii) intense competition within the footwear industry; (iv) rapidly changing consumer demands and fashion trends and purchasing patterns, which may be influenced by consumers' disposable income, which in turn can be influenced by general economic conditions; (v) customer concentration and increased consolidation in the retail industry; (vi) the Company's ability to successfully implement its Earnings Enhancement Plan, including the relocation of functions to St. Louis, MO and the Company's ability to attract and retain talent; (vii) political and economic conditions or other threats to continued and uninterrupted flow of inventory from China and Brazil, where the Company relies heavily on third-party manufacturing facilities for a significant amount of its inventory; (viii) the Company's ability to attract and retain licensors and protect its intellectual property; (ix) the Company's ability to secure leases on favorable terms; (x) the Company's ability to maintain relationships with current suppliers; (xi) the uncertainties of pending litigation; and (xii) the Company's ability to successfully execute its international growth strategy. The Company's reports to the Securities and Exchange Commission contain detailed information relating to such factors, including, without limitation, the information under the caption "Risk Factors

- April 29, 2008



#### NOTE:

Full-Year and First Quarter 2008 guidance was issued on March 5, 2008 and has not been updated. Estimates related to the Company's relocation of its Madison office were issued on April 10, 2008 and have not been updated.

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### **BROWN SHOE FITS THE WORLD...**

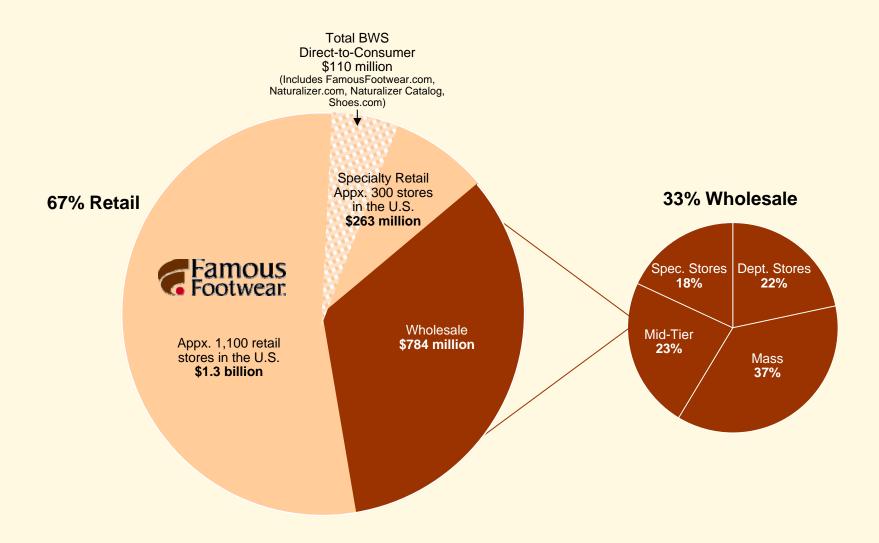
with lifestyle footwear that expresses the individual consumer's fashion sensibility. Whether at play, at work or on the town, people trust Brown Shoe's signature brands to walk them through the stories of their lives.

Brown Shoe is proud to offer a compelling family of footwear brands that reveal an intrinsic understanding of its consumers at every stage of their lives. Each shoe is an intuitive yet calculated response to the needs, desires and distinctive personalities of men, women and children passionate about substance and style. Every day, people around the globe put on shoes before stepping out into the world. Every day, Brown Shoe works diligently to design and deliver brands that strengthen its highly personal connection to consumers. Brown Shoe delivers an expertly crafted business model – across retail, e-commerce and wholesale – built on a global platform of integrated business systems and diverse distribution channels. Future-focused and innovative, Brown Shoe listens carefully and thoughtfully, evolving brands that give our customers the confidence to be themselves...

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### Brown Shoe - \$2.4 Billion in Sales for 2007



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### **Brown Shoe Platform**

A greatly connected footwear company with an integrated, synergistic wholesale-retail platform



Cross-skilled talent base

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### **Brown Shoe Platform**

#### Power of the Integrated Wholesale/Retail Model → Driving Growth, Profitability, and Value Creation

Control the Customer Experience	<ul> <li>Fragmentation of the consumer has significantly expanded the matrix of style preferences and retail options</li> <li>Integrated model allows a wide variety of brands in the "right" channel</li> </ul>
Maximize the Value of Footwear Expertise	<ul> <li>Consumer contact and feedback at retail and ecommerce stimulates and accelerates the design process</li> <li>Improves ability to stay "on-trend" across segments</li> </ul>
Own the Entire Margin	<ul> <li>Capturing greater product margin on owned brands through owned retail</li> <li>Careful balance to minimize channel conflict</li> </ul>
Leverage Infrastructure	<ul> <li>Optimizes supply chain and distribution</li> <li>Leverages shared resources and costs</li> <li>Increases scale</li> </ul>
Diversify the Business Model	<ul> <li>Removes volatility through portfolio of retail and wholesale brands</li> <li>Maximizes returns on capital</li> </ul>



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### **Brown Shoe Vision**

Brown Shoe is the leading fashion footwear marketer, winning loyal customers with compelling global brands.

Doubling our rate of profitability while doubling our sales over the next five years.



### **Growth and Profit Drivers**

#### 1. Build powerful consumer brands

- · Grow brand equity of flagship brands
- Test, incubate, and grow new brands
- Search for strategic opportunities that fit our growth criteria

#### 2. Drive brands through owned retail

- Leverage vertical & multi-channel businesses
- Maximize owned-distribution and owned-branded assets

#### 3. Expand our brands to global markets

- · Extend existing brands to international markets
- Build and acquire brands with international demand

#### 4. Penetrate growth markets

 Target new and fast-growing markets and channels of distribution

#### 5. Drive operational excellence and maximize synergies

- Earnings Enhancement Plan, Real Estate Strategy, Consumer-Driven Model, Inventory Management
- Implementing enterprise-wide information systems to support and leverage our operations

Investing over \$1 billion in Talent, Stores, Systems, and Marketing over the next five years



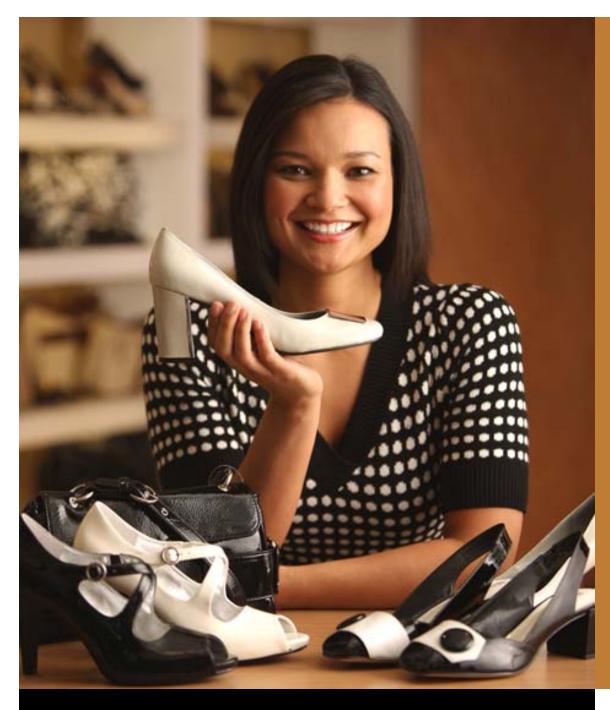


### **Famous Footwear**

"Shoe Love Is True Love"

- Growth opportunity to a minimum of 1,500 doors. As new stores mature, operating performance will improve across the store base
- Real estate strategy to maximize markets
- Leading inventory management disciplines
- Leveraging multi-channel platform
- Using technology to redefine service
- Vertical synergy → 13% 15% of sales from Brown Shoe brands. Retail growth feeds Wholesale growth
- Approximately 54% of sales are driven by our rewards program





#### Naturalizer "Beautiful Feels So Good"

 Extended brand essence to new categories and consumer touchpoints

- Tightly-targeted consumer communications
- Sell-through model; fresh trend-right product
- Improved product delivered when she wants to buy
- All-in brand (retail and wholesale combined) contributes double-digit operating margins
- Global expansion next 5 years, through combination of joint venture and licenses, 400 Naturalizer stores will be opened in China and the Far East, as well as an additional 32 new stores in Japan. Potential for a total 700 – 750 Naturalizer stores outside of US in next 5 years
- Launched Natural Soul in Kohl's in 2007



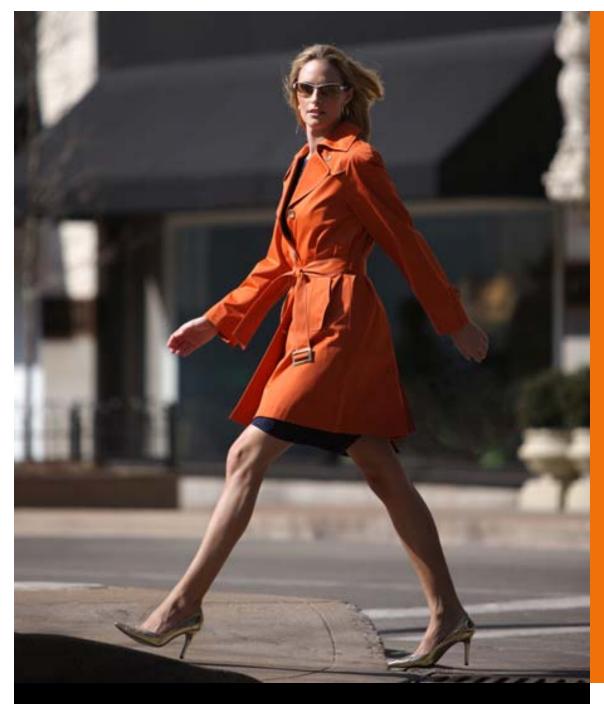
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### **Direct To Consumer**

- Growth by winning in new and emerging markets
- \$350 to \$450 million opportunity in next 5 years
- Integrated platform. Consolidated Shoes.com into St. Louis in 2007
- Re-launched Shoes.com in Spring 2008
- Branded web sites and multi-channel opportunities





### **Brown New York**



- Provides fashion halo to portfolio
- Strong emotional connection with consumer
- Fashion, Style Credibility, Talent
- Brand extension and lifestyle potential
- Expect double-digit sales increase in 2008

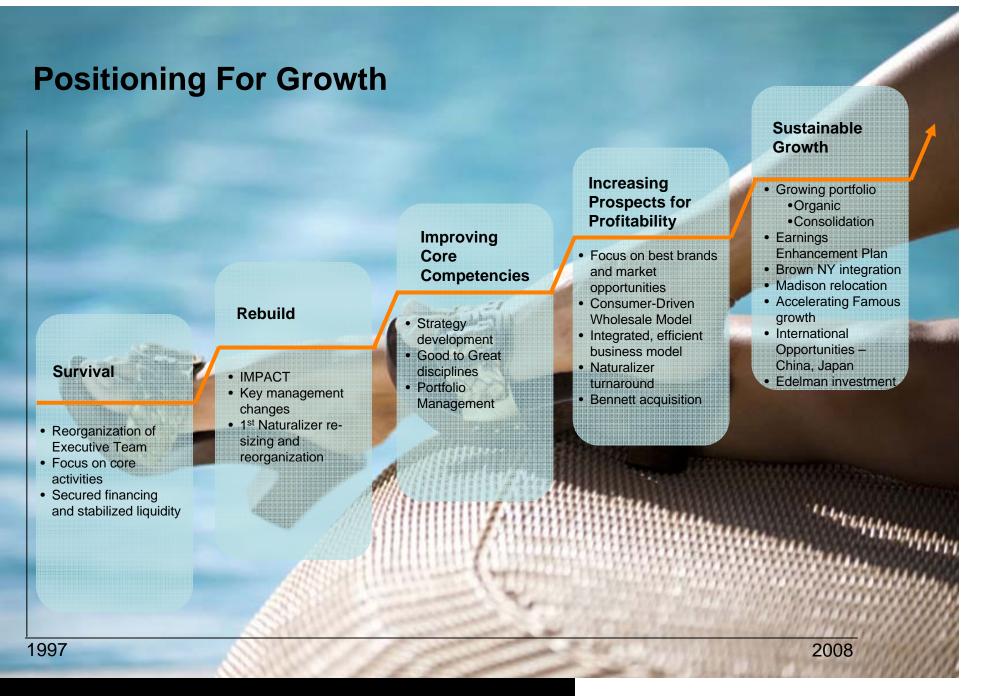




### Dr. Scholl's®

- Innovation and technology
- High brand recognition and strong equity
- Partnerships with Wal-Mart and Schering-Plough
- Extending asset into new categories and channels
  - Original Dr. Scholl's
  - Feel Crazy Green sustainability product
  - Dr. Scholl's Studio Mid-Tier brand extension
- Growth through Brown Shoe vertical model at
   Famous Footwear





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### Appendix

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

In the following pages, the Company's financial results and measures are provided both in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), and using certain non-GAAP financial measures. In particular, the Company provides historic and estimated future net earnings per diluted share excluding certain charges and recoveries, as well as Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation, and Amortization (EBITDA), which are non-GAAP financial measures. In addition, the Company provides financial data for certain of its Famous Footwear stores, including sales per square foot, total sales, operating earnings, EBITDA, cash investments, and return on investment, which are non-GAAP financial measures. These results and measures are included as a complement to results provided in accordance with GAAP because management believes these non-GAAP financial measures help indicate underlying trends in the Company's business and provide useful information to both management and investors by excluding certain items that are not indicative of the Company's core operating results. These results and measures should be considered in addition to results prepared in accordance with GAAP, but should not be considered a substitute for, or superior to, GAAP results.



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### **Recent Events**

#### On April 10 2008, announced the relocation of Madison office to St. Louis

This move will create one greatly connected footwear company

• Will aid in achieving our vision of being a leading footwear marketer and doubling our rate of profitability while doubling sales, as it will foster collaboration, increase speed-to-market and strengthen our connection with consumers

The transition will begin during the second quarter and be substantially complete by the end of the third quarter of 2008

• All of the 270 Madison-based employees have been offered jobs and relocation assistance or severance and outplacement assistance

We expect to incur pre-tax expenses of \$25 to \$30 million (\$0.37 to \$0.44 per diluted share) to implement the transition. Cost breakdown is expected to be as follows:

Expense Category	Estimate of Pre-Tax Expenses
People-related costs, including relocation, retention incentives and severance	\$15 - \$16 million
Fixed asset write-offs (non-cash)	\$4 - \$5 million
Lease termination costs	\$4 - \$6 million
Other	\$2 - \$3 million
Total	\$25 - \$30 million

Under various state economic development programs, we will collaborate with public partners to avail ourselves of eligible incentives totaling more than \$43 million related to training and job creation and redevelopment of our Clayton site

- Our growth plan anticipates relocating or creating 500 700 new jobs over the next several years
- Intend to redevelop our 12-acre property over next few years to build a new international headquarters and multi-use retail and residential facilities. Working with our development partners, we anticipate a potential monetization of existing assets and an operating leaseback of the new facility or a portion of the existing property.



### First Quarter 2008 & Full Year Guidance

#### Guidance was issued on March 5, 2008 and has not been updated

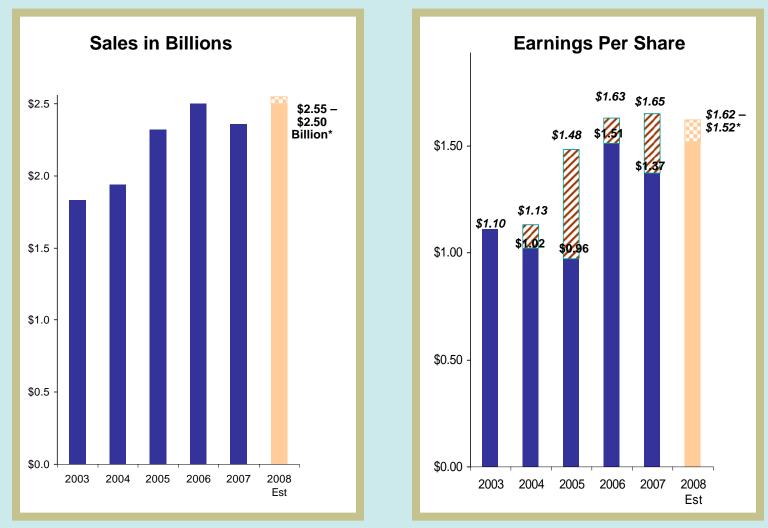
The below figures do not reflect the impact of costs related to the Madison relocation

<u>Consolidated Sales:</u> First Quarter	<u>2008 estimated</u> \$575 - \$585 million	<u>2007 actual</u> \$566 million		
Full Year	\$2.50 - \$2.55 billion	\$2.36 billion		
EPS:				
First Quarter	\$0.07 to \$0.11	\$0.22		
Full Year	\$1.52 to \$1.62	\$1.37		
Other Annual Estimates:				
Consolidated Tax Rate:	30% to 31%			
Famous Footwear				
Same-Store Sales:	Flat to -2% for the year; -3% to -5%	6 for Q1		
Store Openings:	100 to 110 openings and approxim	ately 40 closings		
Wholesale:	Wholesale sales are expected to in and increase low-single digits in Q cautious on reorders and shipping			
Capital Expenditures:	\$75 to \$85 million, reflecting new and remodeled stores, logistics network and other infrastructure, and non-ERP information systems upgrades			
Other:	Increase in marketing investments of \$16 million during the year and targeted annual incentive compensation costs of \$21 million			

Adjusted EPS
 GAAP EPS
 Guidance range

### Sales and EPS – 2003 to Estimated 2008

Guidance was issued on March 5, 2008 and has not been updated



Charges and recoveries included in net earnings and EPS for 2006 & 2007 are listed in Reconciliation of GAAP Net Earnings to Adjusted Net Earnings on pg. 25.

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### **Review of BWS Financials**

(all \$'s in millions except EPS)

	52 Weeks Ended Feb. 2, 2008	53 Weeks Ended Feb. 3, 2007	% Chg.
Sales	\$2,359.9	\$2,470.9	-4.5%
Net Earnings GAAP Adjusted	\$60.4 \$72.8	\$65.7 \$71.0	-8.0% 2.5%
EPS GAAP Adjusted	\$1.37 \$1.65	\$1.51 \$1.63	-9.3% 1.2%
Gross Margin Debt/Cap* EBITDA**	40.0% 22.8% \$146.5	39.3% 22.4% \$157.4	-6.9%

\* See page 23 for Debt/Cap reconciliation table

\*\*See page 24 for EBITDA reconciliation table

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### Earnings Enhancement Plan: Savings of \$26 million to date

#### Key Accomplishments in 2007:

Reorganization of Brown Shoe Retail and associated consolidation of key functions:

- Blended all retail field operations and store support functions, across all retail formats
- Created enterprise-wide D2C organization, including relocation of Shoes.com organization to St. Louis

Continued reorganization of key Wholesale operations:

Completed Brown New York reorganization and redevelopment of core merchandising functions

Consolidation of total corporate real estate and organizational locations:

• Needham office, Dover Distribution Center, LA office (in Shoes.com relocation), Satellite sourcing offices (Italian offices, Taiwan office, Brazil house)

Executed other key operating efficiency initiatives:

- Reorganized corporate and divisional finance functions
- Increased leverage of non-trade spend (e.g. indirect procurement)
- Achieved budgeted inventory turns due to retail inventory optimization initiative

Remaining key areas of focus:

- Distribution Network made decision to open west coast Retail DC, enabling improved operating efficiencies across our retail supply chain
- Headquarters consolidation decision to join Madison and St. Louis offices announced in April 2008
- Enterprise-wide information systems to support and leverage our sourcing, wholesale, retail, and corporate operations



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### **Capital Expenditure Schedule**

(all \$'s in millions)

	2008 Est.	2007
New Stores	\$ 22.0 to \$ 24.0	\$ 22.8
Remodel	19.0 to 23.0	13.8
Logistics	22.0 to 22.0	0.1
Infrastructure (Incl. IT hardw are)	12.0 to 16.0	4.8
Total	\$ 75.0 to \$ 85.0	\$ 41.5

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### **Debt to Capital Ratio**

(\$'s in millions, except for Dept to Capital Ratio)

Debt to Capital Ratio	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Total Debt Obligations*	\$ 165	\$ 151	\$ 200	\$ 142	\$ 120	\$ 152
Total Shareholders' Equity	 559	524	434	<u> </u>	350	<u> </u>
Total Capital	\$ 724	\$ 675	\$ 634	\$ 533	\$ 470	\$ 444
Debt to Capital Ratio**	22.8%	22.4%	31.5%	26.6%	25.4%	34.3%

\* Total Debt Obligations include long term debt, borrowings under revolving credit agreement and capital lease obligations.

\*\* Total Debt Obligations divided by Total Capital

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### **EBITDA Reconciliation**

(all \$'s in millions)

	2007	2006	
Operating Profit	\$ 95.7	\$ 108.1	
Depreciation & Amortization *	50.8	49.3	
EBITDA	\$ 146.5	\$ 157.4	

\* Depreciation and amortization excludes amortization of debt issuance costs in the amount of \$1.5 million in both 2007 and 2006

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# Reconciliation of GAAP Net Earnings to Adjusted Net Earnings (2007 vs. 2006)

	2007		2006	
(\$'s in thousands)	Net Earnings	EPS	Net Earnings	EPS
GAAP Net Earnings	\$60,427	\$1.37	\$65,708	\$1.51
<u>Charges/Other Items:</u> Earnings Enhancement Plan	12,351	0.28	3,927	0.09
Bass Exit Costs	-	-	2,337	0.05
Insurance Recoveries, Net		-	(1,007)	(0.02)
Adjusted Net Earnings	\$72,778	\$1.65	\$70,965	\$1.63

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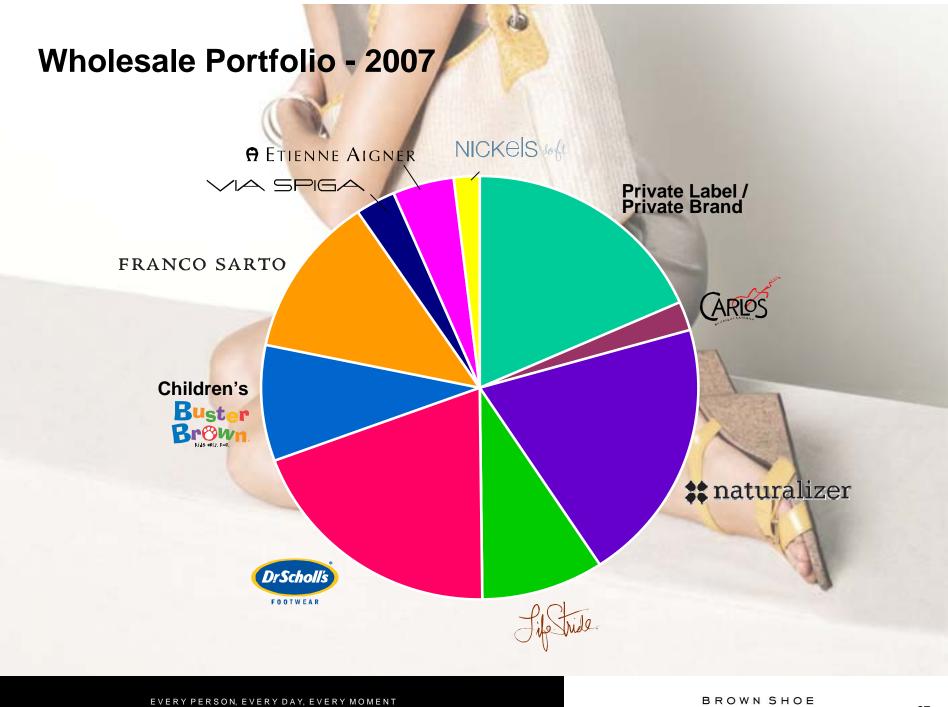
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### **Review of Segment Financials**

(\$'s in millions)	Fiscal 2007 52 Weeks Ended Feb. 2, 2008	Fiscal 2006 53 Weeks Ended Feb. 3, 2007	<u>% Chg.</u>
Famous Footwear			
Sales	\$1,313.2	\$1,282.2	2.4%
Operating Profit	\$84.1	\$89.8	-6.3%
Same-Store Sales	-0.6%	3.4%	
Specialty Retail			
Sales	\$263.2	\$257.9	2.0%
<b>Operating Profit*</b>	-\$8.2	-\$3.8	-115.8%
Same-Store Sales	-0.9%	2.1%	
*Includes Earnings Enhancem	ent Plan costs of \$3.8 million	n in 2007 compared with \$1.1 mi	llion in 2006
Wholesale			
Sales	\$783.5	\$930.8	-15.8%
<b>Operating Profit**</b>	\$67.5	\$71.0	-4.8%
**Includes \$4.2 million in costs a in 2006 and an additional \$3.8 r		s Enhancement Plan in 2007 con osts	npared with \$3.6 million

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### **Famous Footwear: Rewards Program**

Through increased focus on customer relationship management, the Famous Footwear Rewards Program has shown continued improvement and currently contributes more than 50% of Famous Footwear sales. The Rewards customer spends more per transaction, buys more units per transaction, and buys more often. The retention rate is approximately 50%.

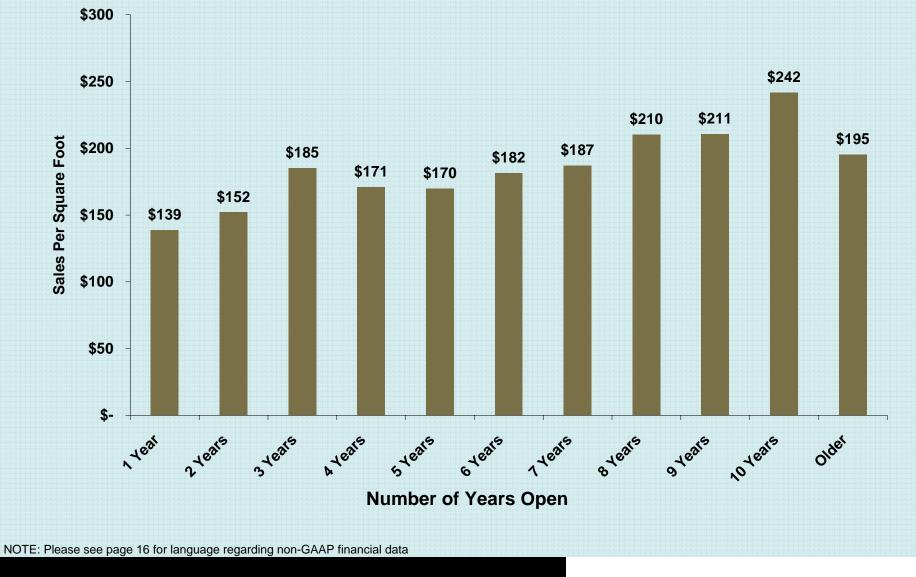


#### Famous Footwear Rewards - Active Members (defined as purchased in past 12 months)

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### **Famous Footwear: Store Maturity**

#### 2007 Sales per Square Foot



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### **Famous Footwear: New Store Sales Performance**

Represents average sales per square foot results for all stores opened during the 2001-2006 period



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### **Famous Footwear: Unit-level Store Economics**

(all \$'s in thousands)

2007 Operating Performance					
(Average store for all store	es more than 2 yrs old)				
Sales \$ per Square Ft.	\$ 1,317 \$ 188				
Operating Earnings	<u>% of Sales</u> 98  7.4%				
EBITDA	<u>\$ 118</u> 8.9%				

Cash Investment					

Return on Investment					
EBITDA	\$	118			
Cash Investment	\$	236			
Return on Investment		50%			

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## **\*** naturalizer - Global Expansion

Current and future international store base

