Darden Restaurants, Inc.
Non-GAAP Reconciliation
($ in millions, except per share amounts)

Non-GAAP Reporting

In addition to U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) reporting, Darden has presented certain measures on a non-GAAP basis in the slides for its presentation at Oppenheimer & Co. 13th Annual Consumer Conference June 25, 2013, such as Earnings Before Interest and Taxes (EBIT) and Restaurant Level Returns. This non-GAAP information should be viewed in addition to, and not in lieu of, our reported amounts as calculated in accordance with GAAP.

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<td><strong>Earnings Before Interest and Taxes (EBIT):</strong></td>
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|      | Sales From Continuing Operations - As Reported                  | $  8,551.9
|      | Earnings After Taxes From Continuing Operations - As Reported   | $  412.6
|      | Interest Expense - As Reported                                  |  125.9
|      | Income Taxes - As Reported                                     |  109.8
|      | **EBIT**                                                        | $  648.3
|      | General & Administration                                        |  438.6
|      | Depreciation & Amortization                                     |  394.8
|      | **Restaurant Level Returns**                                    | $ 1,481.7
|      | Average Number of Diluted Shares Outstanding                    |  131.6
|      | Earnings per Share                                              | $  3.14
|      | **EBIT Margin**                                                 |  7.6%
|      | **Restaurant Level Returns %**                                  | 17.3%