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

#### FORM 10-Q

(Mark One) X QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the Quarterly Period Ended March 31, 2020 OR TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the transition period from \_\_\_\_ Commission File Number 001-37379 THE ONE GROUP HOSPITALITY, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) 14-1961545 Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) organization) 1624 Market Street, Suite 311, Denver, Colorado 80202 (Address of principal executive offices) Zip Code 646-624-2400 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code) Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Title of each class Trading Symbol(s) Name of each exchange on which registered Common Stock STKS Nasdaq Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  $\boxtimes$  No  $\square$ Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes  $\boxtimes$  No  $\square$ Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. Large accelerated filer □ Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer ⊠ Smaller reporting company ⊠ Emerging growth company  $\square$ If an emerging growth company, indicate by a 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.  $\Box$ Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes 🗆 No 🗵 Number of shares of common stock outstanding as of May 1, 2020: 28,828,675

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## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION Item 1. Financial Statements

# THE ONE GROUP HOSPITALITY, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except share information)

	N	March 31, 2020		cember 31, 2019	
ASSETS	J)	Jnaudited)			
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	8,160	\$	12,344	
Accounts receivable		5,189		10,351	
Inventory		2,490		3,058	
Other current assets		2,005		1,047	
Due from related parties, net		376		341	
Total current assets		18,220		27,141	
Property and equipment, net		69,183		70,483	
Operating lease right-of-use assets		80,228		81,097	
Deferred tax assets, net		7,876		7,751	
Intangibles, net		16,965		17,183	
Other assets		2,372		1,622	
Security deposits		1,337		1,308	
Total assets	\$	196,181	\$	206,585	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	7,397	\$	8,274	
Accrued expenses	Þ	7,642	Ф	11,198	
Deferred license revenue		446		332	
Deferred gift card revenue and other		2,691		3,183	
Current portion of operating lease liabilities		4,454		4,397	
Current portion of long-term debt		696		749	
Total current liabilities		23,326		28,133	
Total current nabilities		23,320		28,133	
Deferred license revenue, long-term		869		1,036	
Operating lease liabilities, net of current portion		97,492		98,278	
Long-term debt, net of current portion		45,123		45,226	
Total liabilities		166,810		172,673	
Commitments and contingencies					
Stockholders' equity:					
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value, 75,000,000 shares authorized; 28,807,800 and 28,603,829 shares issued and					
outstanding at March 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019, respectively		3		3	
Preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value, 10,000,000 shares authorized; no shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2020 and		3		3	
December 31, 2019, respectively		_			
Additional paid-in capital		45,229		44,853	
Accumulated deficit		(12,490)		(7,891)	
Accumulated deficit  Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(2.605)		(2.651)	
•		(2,695)		(2,651)	
Total stockholders' equity		30,047		34,314	
Noncontrolling interests		(676)	_	(402)	
Total equity		29,371		33,912	
Total liabilities and equity	\$	196,181	\$	206,585	

# THE ONE GROUP HOSPITALITY, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME (Unaudited, in thousands, except (loss) earnings per share and related share information)

	F	or the three mo	nths end	hs ended March 31,		
		2020		2019		
Revenues:						
Owned restaurant net revenue	\$	38,557	\$	20,093		
Management, license and incentive fee revenue		2,162		2,683		
Total revenues		40,719		22,776		
Cost and expenses:						
Owned operating expenses:						
Owned restaurant cost of sales		10,113		5,026		
Owned restaurant operating expenses		26,499		12,717		
Total owned operating expenses		36,612		17,743		
General and administrative (including stock-based compensation of \$338 and \$181 for the three months ended						
March 31, 2020 and 2019 respectively)		3,397		2,650		
Depreciation and amortization		2,440		942		
Transaction and integration costs		1,095		_		
COVID-19 related expenses		1,348		_		
Lease termination expenses		179		_		
Pre-opening expenses		_		482		
Other income, net		(1)		(175)		
Total costs and expenses		45,070		21,642		
Operating (loss) income		(4,351)		1,134		
Other expenses, net:						
Interest expense, net of interest income		1,175		269		
Total other expenses, net		1,175		269		
(Loss) income before (benefit) provision for income taxes		(5,526)		865		
(Benefit) provision for income taxes		(653)		96		
Net (loss) income		(4,873)		769		
		(274)		(85)		
Less: net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest						
Net (loss) income attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.	\$	(4,599)	\$	854		
Currency translation loss		(44)		(160)		
Comprehensive (loss) income	\$	(4,643)	\$	694		
Net (loss) income attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc. per share:						
Basic net (loss) income per share	\$	(0.16)	\$	0.03		
Diluted net (loss) income per share	\$	(0.16)	\$	0.03		
Shares used in computing basic (loss) earnings per share		28,636,325		28,314,820		
Shares used in computing diluted (loss) earnings per share		28,636,325	_	29,311,756		
shares used in computing diffued (loss) earnings per share		20,030,323		49,311,730		

# THE ONE GROUP HOSPITALITY, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (Unaudited, in thousands, except share information)

								Accumulated					
				Additional				other					
	Commo	on stoc	k	paid-in	4	Accumulated		comprehensive	Sto	ckholders'	N	oncontrolling	
	Shares	Pa	ar value	capital		deficit		loss		equity		interests	Total
Balance at December 31, 2019	28,603,829	\$	3	\$ 44,853	\$	(7,891)	\$	(2,651)	\$	34,314	\$	(402)	\$ 33,912
Stock-based compensation, net of tax													
withholding	69,327		_	338		_		_		338		_	338
Exercise of stock options	18,000		_	38		_		_		38		_	38
Vesting of restricted shares	116,644		_	_		_		_		_		_	_
Loss on foreign currency translation, net	_		_	_		_		(44)		(44)		_	(44)
Net loss	_		_	_		(4,599)		_		(4,599)		(274)	(4,873)
Balance at March 31, 2020	28,807,800	\$	3	\$ 45,229	\$	(12,490)	5	\$ (2,695)	\$	30,047	\$	(676)	\$ 29,371

## THE ONE GROUP HOSPITALITY, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited, in thousands)

	Fo	l March 31,		
		2020		2019
Operating activities:				
Net (loss) income	\$	(4,873)	\$	769
Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization		2,440		942
Stock-based compensation		338		181
Amortization of discount on warrants and debt issuance costs		108		50
Deferred taxes		(125)		10
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Accounts receivable		5,092		1,147
Inventory		568		161
Other current assets		(958)		(96)
Due from related parties, net		(35)		(38)
Security deposits		(32)		(18)
Other assets		(807)		8
Accounts payable		(859)		270
Accrued expenses		(3,560)		(1,331)
Operating lease liabilities and right-of-use assets		140		321
Deferred revenue		(540)		137
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities		(3,103)		2,513
Investing activities:				
Purchase of property and equipment		(791)		(2,060)
Net cash used in investing activities		(791)		(2,060)
Financing activities:				
Borrowings of long-term debt		_		_
Repayments of long-term debt		(216)		(798)
Debt issuance costs		(48)		<u> </u>
Exercise of stock options		38		_
Net cash used in financing activities		(22.5)		(=0.0)
		(226)		(798)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		(64)		(168)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(4,184)		(513)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		12,344		1,592
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$	8,160	\$	1,079
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow data:				
Interest paid	\$	704	\$	235
Income taxes paid		85		191
Non-cash amortization of debt issuance costs	\$	108	\$	5

## THE ONE GROUP HOSPITALITY, INC. Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

## Note 1 - Summary of Business and Significant Accounting Policies

Summary of Business

The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc. and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Company") is a global hospitality company that develops, owns and operates, manages and licenses upscale and polished casual, high-energy restaurants and lounges and provides turn-key food and beverage ("F&B") services for hospitality venues including hotels, casinos and other high-end locations. Turn-key F&B services are food and beverage services that can be scaled, customized and implemented by the Company at a particular hospitality venue and customized for the client. The Company's primary restaurant brands are STK, a multi-unit steakhouse concept that combines a high-energy, social atmosphere with the quality and service of a traditional upscale steakhouse, and Kona Grill, a bar-centric grill concept featuring American favorites, award-winning sushi, and specialty cocktails in a polished casual atmosphere.

On October 4, 2019, the Company acquired substantially all of the assets of Kona Grill Inc. and its affiliates ("Kona Grill"), which is composed of 24 domestic restaurants. The Company purchased the assets for a contractual price of \$25.0 million plus approximately \$1.5 million of consideration paid primarily for the apportionment of rent and utilities. The Company also assumed approximately \$7.7 million in current liabilities. The Company intends to integrate Kona Grill by leveraging its corporate infrastructure, bar-business knowledge and unique Vibe Dining program, to elevate the brand experience and drive improved performance. The results of operations of these restaurants are included in our consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition.

As of March 31, 2020, the Company owned, operated, managed or licensed 55 venues, including 20 STKs and 24 Kona Grills in major metropolitan cities in North America, Europe and the Middle East and 11 F&B venues including six hotels and casinos in the United States and Europe.

#### Effects of COVID-19

In the first quarter of 2020, the negative effect of the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") on the Company's business was significant. The Company experienced an initial decline in restaurant revenue that began in early March 2020 as business travel and social dining decreased. On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic disease, and on March 13, 2020, President Trump declared a state of emergency for COVID-19. Public concerns about the spread of COVID-19 continues to be widespread. The Company has experienced a significant reduction in guest traffic at its restaurants as a result of restrictions mandated by state and local governments.

In response to these conditions, and out of concern for our customers and partners, the Company has temporarily closed several restaurants and the Company has shifted operations at 30 of its restaurants to provide only take-out and delivery service. In addition to the decline in restaurant revenue, the Company has incurred approximately \$1.3 million of costs directly related to COVID-19 in the three months ended March 31, 2020, composed primarily of payments to employees for paid-time off during restaurant closures, inventory waste, and rent and rent related costs for closed and limited-operations restaurants from the day that the dining room closed. The Company has implemented measures to reduce its costs during the COVID-19 pandemic, including significant reductions in employees, deferral of capital projects, and negotiations with suppliers and landlords regarding deferral or abatement of payments which could become significant.

Given the present uncertainty surrounding the global economy due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Company cannot reasonably predict when its closed restaurants will re-open and open restaurants will be able to return to normal dining room operations. The Company expects that its results of operations will be negatively affected by these actions in the second quarter of 2020. The Company's re-opening of closed restaurants and resumption of normal dining operations is subject to events beyond its control, including the effectiveness of governmental efforts to halt the spread of COVID-19.

## Basis of Presentation

The accompanying consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2019, which has been derived from audited financial statements, and the accompanying unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"). Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in annual audited financial statements have been omitted pursuant to SEC rules and regulations. These unaudited interim consolidated financial

statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019.

In the Company's opinion, the accompanying unaudited interim financial statements reflect all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring accruals and adjustments) necessary for a fair presentation of the results for the interim periods presented. The results of operations for any interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results expected for the full year. Additionally, the Company believes that the disclosures are sufficient for interim financial reporting purposes.

#### Prior Period Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications of the 2019 financial statements amounts have been made to conform to the current year presentation. The Company has combined owned restaurant net revenues and owned food, beverage and other net revenues to be presented in total as owned restaurant net revenue. Additionally, the Company reclassified \$0.5 million of owned food, beverage and other expenses to owned restaurant cost of sales and \$1.8 million of owned food, beverage and other expenses to owned restaurant expenses on the accompanying consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive (loss) income. Certain reclassifications were also made to conform the prior period segment reporting to the current year segment presentation. Refer to Note 15 – Segment Reporting for additional information regarding the Company's reportable operating segments.

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2019, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standard Updated ("ASU") No. 2019-12, "Income Taxes (Topic 740): Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes," ("ASU 2019-12") which is intended to simplify various aspects related to accounting for income taxes. ASU 2019-12 removes certain exceptions to the general principles in Accounting Standard Codification Topic 740, Income Taxes, and it clarifies and amends existing guidance to improve consistent application. ASU 2019-12 is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2020. The Company is evaluating the impact of the adoption of ASU 2019-12 on its financial statements but does not expect the adoption of ASU 2019-12 to be material

In October 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-17, "Consolidation (Topic 810): Targeted Improvements to Related Party Guidance for Variable Interest Entities" ("ASU 2018-17"). ASU 2018-17 states that indirect interests held through related parties in common control arrangements should be considered on a proportional basis to determine whether fees paid to decision makers and service providers are variable interests. This is consistent with how indirect interests held through related parties under common control are considered for determining whether a reporting entity must consolidate a variable interest entity. ASU 2018-17 is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted. Entities are required to adopt the new guidance retrospectively with a cumulative adjustment to retained earnings at the beginning of the earliest period presented. The adoption of ASU 2018-17 did not have a material impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-15, "Intangibles – Goodwill and Other – Internal-Use Software (Subtopic 350-40): Customer's Accounting for Implementation Costs Incurred in a Cloud Computing Arrangement that is a Service Contract" ("ASU 2018-15"). ASU 2018-15 aligns the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs in cloud computing arrangements with the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs incurred to develop or obtain internal-use software. ASU 2018-15 is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted. Entities can choose to adopt the new guidance prospectively or retrospectively. The adoption of ASU 2018-15 did not have a material impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-13, "Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Disclosure Framework – Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Fair Value Measurement" ("ASU 2018-13"). ASU 2018-13 eliminates, modifies and adds disclosure requirements for fair value measurements. The amendments in ASU 2018-13 are effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted. The adoption of ASU 2018-3 did not have a material impact on our disclosures of fair value measurement, which are included in Note 7 – Fair Value of Financial Instruments.

## Note 2 – Business Combination

On October 4, 2019, the Company acquired substantially all of the assets of Kona Grill Inc. and its affiliates comprising 24 domestic restaurants. The Company purchased the assets for a contractual price of \$25.0 million plus \$1.5 million of consideration paid primarily for the apportionment of rent and utilities. The Company also assumed approximately \$7.7 million in current liabilities. The Company believes that Kona Grill is complementary to the Company's business and will enable the Company to capture market share in the Vibe Dining segment.

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Kona Grill Inc. and its affiliates were purchased pursuant to a Chapter 11 bankruptcy. As a result, the Company recognized a bargain purchase gain of approximately \$11.0 million in the consolidated statements of operation and comprehensive (loss) income for the year ended December 31, 2019, which represents the excess of the aggregate fair value of net assets acquired and liabilities assumed over the purchase price.

The purchase accounting is preliminary and represents estimates and assumptions that are subject to change during the measurement period (up to one year from the acquisition date). The following table summarizes the preliminary fair value of identified assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the acquisition date (amounts in thousands):

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Cash	\$ 450
Current assets, excluding cash	2,830
Property and equipment	31,781
Operating lease right-of-use assets	42,398
Intangible assets	17,400
Other assets	692
Current liabilities	(7,690)
Deferred tax liability	(4,044)
Operating lease liabilities	(46,364)
Total net assets acquired	\$ 37,453
Purchase consideration:	
Contractual purchase price	25,000
Apportionment of rent and utilities	775
Assumption of real estate lease consultant contract	465
Escrow deposit	250
Consideration paid	\$ 26,490
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Bargain purchase gain attributable to Kona Grill acquisition	\$ 10,963

Pro Forma Results of Operations (unaudited)

The following pro forma results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2019 have been prepared as though the acquisition occurred as of January 1, 2019. The pro forma financial information is not indicative of the results of operations that the Company would have attained had the acquisition occurred at the beginning of the periods presented, nor is the pro forma financial information indicative of the results of operations that may occur in the future. Amounts are in thousands, except earnings per share related data.

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	Mar	ch 31, 2019
Total revenues	\$	47,230
Net income attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.	\$	667
Net income attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc. per share:		
Basic net income per share	\$	0.02
Diluted net income per share	\$	0.02

## Note 3 - Property and Equipment, net

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

	M	arch 31, 2020	Dec	cember 31, 2019
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	\$	20,907	\$	20,512
Leasehold improvements		70,110		69,925
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization		(24,218)		(21,997)
Subtotal	<u></u>	66,799		68,440
Construction in progress		438		97
Restaurant smallwares		1,946		1,946
Total	\$	69,183	\$	70,483

Depreciation and amortization related to property and equipment amounted to \$2.2 million and \$0.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. The Company does not depreciate construction in progress, assets not yet put into service or restaurant supplies.

## Note 4 – Intangibles, net

Intangibles, net consists of the following (in thousands):

	N	Iarch 31,	De	cember 31,
		2020		2019
Kona Grill tradename	\$	17,400	\$	17,400
Less: accumulated amortization		(435)		(217)
Total intangibles, net	\$	16,965	\$	17,183

The Kona Grill trade name is amortized using the straight-line method over its estimated useful life of 20 years. Amortization expense was \$0.2 million for the three months ending March 31, 2020. The Company's estimated aggregate amortization expense for each of the five succeeding fiscal years is approximately \$0.9 million annually.

## Note 5 - Accrued Expenses

Accrued expenses consist of the following (in thousands):

	March 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Payroll and related	\$ 2,138	\$ 4,519
Variable rent, including disputed rent amounts	1,770	1,796
Legal, professional and other services	1,081	1,103
VAT, sales and other taxes	689	1,488
Income taxes	_	547
Insurance	118	100
Other	1,846	1,645
Total	\$ 7,642	\$ 11,198

#### Note 6 - Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt consists of the following (in thousands):

	March 31, 2020	D	December 31, 2019
Term loan agreements	\$ 47,760	\$	47,880
Revolving credit facility	_		_
Equipment financing agreements	284_		380
Total long-term debt	48,044		48,260
Less: current portion of long-term debt	(696)		(749)
Less: debt issuance costs	(2,225)		(2,285)
Total long-term debt, net of current portion	\$ 45,123	\$	45,226

Interest expense for all the Company's debt arrangements, excluding the amortization of debt issuance costs and other discounts and fees, was approximately \$1.1 million and \$0.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

As of March 31, 2020, the Company had \$1.3 million in standby letters of credit outstanding for certain restaurants and \$10.7 million available in its revolving credit facility. As of March 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019, the Company had \$0.4 million of cash collateralized letters of credit, which are recorded as a component of security deposits on the consolidated balance sheet.

Goldman Sachs Bank USA Credit and Guaranty Agreement

On October 4, 2019, in conjunction with the acquisition of Kona Grill, the Company entered into a credit and guaranty agreement with Goldman Sachs Bank USA ("Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement"). The Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement provides for a secured revolving credit facility of \$12.0 million and a \$48.0 million term loan. The term loan is payable in quarterly installments, with the final payment due in October 2024. The revolving credit facility also matures in October 2024. Additionally, the Company's consolidated adjusted EBITDA as defined by the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement for determining covenant compliance includes pro forma adjustments for the annualization of the Kona Grill restaurant performance which includes results before the acquisition date.

The Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement contains several financial covenants, including the following:

- · A minimum consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio of (i) 1.35 to 1.00 as of the end of any fiscal quarter ending on or prior to June 30, 2021 and (ii) 1.50 to 1.00 as of any fiscal quarter thereafter;
- A maximum consolidated leverage ratio of (i) 2.75 to 1.00 as of the end of any fiscal quarter ending on or prior to March 31, 2020, (ii) 2.50 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2020, (iii) 2.25 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2020 and December 31, 2020, (iv) 2.00 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending March 31, 2021, (v) 1.75 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2021, (vi) 1.70 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2021, (vii) 1.65 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending December 21, 2021 and (viii) 1.50 to 1.00 as of the end of any fiscal quarter thereafter. For purposes of calculating this ratio for the first four quarters, the agreement provides for a pro forma adjustment to reflect one full year of Kona Grill operations;
- Maximum consolidated capital expenditures not to exceed (i) \$10,000,000 in 2020 and (ii) \$8,000,000 in 2021 and every fiscal year thereafter; and.
- · Minimum consolidated liquidity not to be less than \$1,500,000 at any time.

The Company's ability to borrow under its revolving credit facility is dependent on several factors. The Company's total borrowings cannot exceed a leverage incurrence multiple of (i) 2.50 to 1.00 as of the end of any fiscal quarters ending on or prior to June 30, 2020, (ii) 2.25 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarters ending September 30, 2020 and December 31, 2020, (iii) 2.00 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending March 31, 2021 (iv) 1.75 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2021, (v) 1.70 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2021, (vi) 1.65 to 1.00 as of the fiscal quarter ending December 31, 2021, and (vii) 1.50 to 1.00 as of the end of any fiscal quarter thereafter. In addition, after giving effect to borrowings under the revolving credit facility, the Company's cash and cash equivalents cannot exceed \$4,000,000.

The Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement has several borrowing and interest rate options, including the following: (a) a LIBOR rate (or a comparable successor rate) subject to a 1.75% floor or (b) a base rate equal to the greatest of (i) the prime rate, (ii) the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, (iii) the LIBOR rate for a one-month period plus 1.00% or (iv) 4.75%. Loans under the Goldman Sachs Credit

Agreement bear interest at a rate per annum using the applicable indices plus a varying interest rate margin of between 5.75% and 6.75% (for LIBOR rate loans) and 4.75% and 5.75% (for base rate loans).

The Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement contains customary representations, warranties and conditions to borrowing including customary affirmative and negative covenants, which include covenants that limit or restrict the Company's ability to incur indebtedness and other obligations, grant liens to secure obligations, make investments, merge or consolidate, alter the organizational structure of the Company and its subsidiaries, and dispose of assets outside the ordinary course of business, in each case subject to customary exceptions for credit facilities of this size and type.

The Company and certain operating subsidiaries of the Company guarantee the obligations under the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement, which also are secured by liens on substantially all of the assets of the Company and its subsidiaries.

The Company has incurred approximately \$2.5 million of debt issuance costs related to the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement, which were capitalized and are recorded as a direct deduction to the long-term debt, net of current portion, on the consolidated balance sheets. As of March 31, 2020, the Company was in compliance with the covenants required by the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement.

**Equipment Financing Agreements** 

On June 5, 2015 and August 16, 2016, the Company entered into financing agreements with Sterling National Bank for \$1.0 million and \$0.7 million, respectively, to purchase equipment for the STKs in Orlando, Chicago, San Diego, and Denver. Each of these financing agreements have five- year terms and bear interest at a rate of 5% per annum, payable in equal monthly installments.

#### Note 7 - Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, inventory, accounts payable and accrued expenses are carried at cost, which approximates fair value due to their short maturities. Long-lived assets are measured and disclosed at fair value on a nonrecurring basis if an impairment is identified. There were no long-lived assets measured at fair value as of March 31, 2020.

The Company's long-term debt, including the current portion, is carried at cost on the consolidated balance sheets. Fair value of long-term debt, including the current portion, is estimated based on Level 2 inputs, except the amount outstanding on the revolving credit facility for which the carrying value approximates fair value. Fair value is determined by discounting future cash flows using interest rates available for issues with similar terms and maturities.

The estimated fair values of long-term debt, for which carrying values do not approximate fair value, are as follows (in thousands):

	March 31, 2020		De	cember 31, 2019
Carrying amount of long-term debt, including current portion (1)	\$	48,044	\$	48,260
Fair value of long-term debt, including current portion	\$	37,454	\$	35,471

(1) Excludes the discounts on warrants, net and debt issuance costs

## Note 8 - Nonconsolidated Variable Interest Entities and Related Party Transactions

As of March 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019, the Company owned interests in the following companies, which directly or indirectly operate a restaurant:

- · 31.24% interest in Bagatelle NY LA Investors, LLC ("Bagatelle Investors")
- 51.13% aggregate interest, held directly and indirectly through other entities, in Bagatelle Little West 12th, LLC ("Bagatelle NY")

Bagatelle Investors is a holding company that has an interest in Bagatelle NY. The Company records its retained interests in Bagatelle Investors and Bagatelle NY as cost method investments as the Company has determined that it does not have the ability to exercise significant influence over its investees, Bagatelle Investors and Bagatelle NY. As of March 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019, the Company has zero carrying value in these cost method investments

Additionally, the Company has a management agreement with Bagatelle NY. Under this agreement, the Company recorded less than \$0.1 million of management fee revenue in each of the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. The Company also receives rental income from Bagatelle NY for restaurant space that it subleases to Bagatelle NY. Rental income of approximately \$0.1 million was recorded from this entity for each of the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

Net receivables from the Bagatelle Investors and Bagatelle NY included in due from related parties, net were approximately \$0.4 million and \$0.3 million as of March 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019, respectively. These receivables represent the Company's maximum exposure to loss.

#### Note 9 - Income taxes

The Company's effective income tax rate was 11.8% for the three months ended March 31, 2020 compared to 11.1% for the three months ended March 31, 2019. The Company's projected annual effective tax rate differs from the statutory U.S. tax rate of 21% primarily due to the following: (i) availability of U.S. net operating loss carryforwards, resulting in no federal income taxes; (ii) taxes owed in foreign jurisdictions such as the United Kingdom, Canada and Italy; and, (iii) taxes owed in state and local jurisdictions.

The Company is subject to income taxes in the U.S. federal jurisdiction, and the various states and local jurisdictions in which it operates. Tax regulations within each jurisdiction are subject to the interpretation of the related tax laws and regulations and require significant judgment to apply. In the normal course of business, the Company is subject to examination by the federal, state, local and foreign taxing authorities.

#### Note 10 - Revenue from contracts with customers

The following table provides information about contract receivables and liabilities from contracts with customers, which include deferred license revenue, deferred gift card revenue and the Konavore rewards program (in thousands):

	M	arch 31,	De	cember 31,	
		2020	2019		
Receivables (1)	\$	125	\$	250	
Deferred license revenue (2)	\$	1,315	\$	1,368	
Deferred gift card and gift certificate revenue <sup>(3)</sup>	\$	2,594	\$	3,210	
Konavore rewards program (4)	\$	86	\$	84	

- (1) Receivables are included in accounts receivable on the consolidated balance sheets.
- (2) Includes the current and long-term portion of deferred license revenue.
- (3) Deferred gift card revenue is included in deferred gift card revenue and other on the consolidated balance sheets.
- (4) Konavore rewards program is included in accrued expenses on the consolidated balance sheets.

Significant changes in deferred license revenue and deferred gift card revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019 are as follows (in thousands):

	M	arch 31,	March 31,
		2020	2019
Revenue recognized from deferred license revenue	\$	52	\$ 55
Revenue recognized from deferred gift card revenue	\$	746	\$ 283

As of March 31, 2020, the estimated deferred license revenue to be recognized in the future related to performance obligations that are unsatisfied as of March 31, 2020 were as follows for each year ending (in thousands):

2020, nine months remaining	\$ 154
2021	206
2022	181
2023	169
2024	134
Thereafter	471
Total future estimated deferred license revenue	\$ 1,315

#### Note 11 - Leases

The components of lease expense for the period were as follows (in thousands):

	N	farch 31, 2020	N	Tarch 31, 2019
Lease cost				
Operating lease cost	\$	3,297	\$	1,726
Variable lease cost		1,156		674
Short-term lease cost		128		108
Sublease income		(135)		(203)
Total lease cost	\$	4,446	\$	2,305
Weighted average remaining lease term – operating leases		13 years		14 years
Weighted average discount rate – operating leases		8.49 %		8.25 %

The Company subleases one restaurant space and in 2019 subleased office space where it did not use the entire space for its operations. For the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019, sublease income was \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, of which \$0.1 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, was from a related party, Bagatelle NY. Refer to Note 8 for details on transactions with this related party.

The Company has entered into an operating lease for one future restaurant that has not yet commenced as of March 31, 2020. The aggregate future commitment related to this lease totals \$4.8 million. The Company expects this lease to commence within the next twelve months and will have a lease term of 11 years.

Supplemental cash flow information related to leases for the period was as follows (in thousands):

	M	arch 31,	I	March 31,	
		2020	2019		
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of operating lease liabilities	\$	3,161	\$	1,718	
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for operating lease obligations	\$	288	\$	281	

As of March 31, 2020, maturities of the Company's operating lease liabilities are as follows (in thousands):

2020, nine months remaining	\$ 9,775
2021	12,843
2022	12,801
2023	13,087
2024	12,486
Thereafter	115,862
Total lease payments	176,854
Less: imputed interest	(74,908)
Present value of operating lease liabilities	\$ 101,946

For the nine months remaining in 2020, the Company's operating lease liabilities does not include future rent abatements that have been or will be negotiated with landlords.

## Note 12 – (Loss) earnings per share

Basic (loss) earnings per share is computed using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period and income available to common stockholders. Diluted (loss) earnings per share is computed using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period plus the dilutive effect of all potential shares of common stock including common stock issuable pursuant to stock options, warrants, and restricted stock units.

For the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019, the (loss) earnings per share was calculated as follows (in thousands, except earnings per share and related share data):

	Three months ended March 31,					
		2020		2019		
Net (loss) income attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.	\$	(4,599)	\$	854		
Basic weighted average shares outstanding		28,636,325		28,314,820		
Dilutive effect of stock options, warrants and restricted share units		_		996,936		
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding		28,636,325		29,311,756		
Net (loss) income available to common stockholders per share - Basic	\$	(0.16)	\$	0.03		
Net (loss) income available to common stockholders per share - Diluted	\$	(0.16)	\$	0.03		

For the three months ended March 31, 2020, all equivalent shares underlying options, warrants and restricted share units were anti-dilutive as the Company was in a net loss position. For the three months ended March 31, 2019, 0.9 million stock options, warrants and restricted share units were determined to be anti-dilutive and were therefore excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share.

## Note 13 - Stockholders' Equity

Significant changes in stockholders' equity for the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019 are as follows (in thousands):

							Ac	cumulated			
			A	dditional				other			
	(	Common		paid-in	Ac	cumulated	con	nprehensive	N	oncontrolling	
		Stock		capital		deficit		loss		interests	Total
Balance at December 31, 2019	\$	3	\$	44,853	\$	(7,891)	\$	(2,651)	\$	(402)	\$ 33,912
Stock-based compensation, net of tax withholding		_		338		_		_		_	338
Exercise of stock options		_		38		_		_		_	38
Vesting of restricted shares		_		_		_		_		_	_
Loss on foreign currency translation, net		_		_		_		(44)		_	(44)
Net loss				_		(4,599)				(274)	(4,873)
Balance at March 31, 2020	\$	3	\$	45,229	\$	(12,490)	\$	(2,695)	\$	(676)	\$ 29,371

							Ac	cumulated			
				dditional				other			
		mmon		paid-in	Ac	cumulated	con	nprehensive	ľ	Noncontrolling	
	S	Stock capital		capital	deficit		loss		interests		Total
Balance at December 31, 2018	\$	3	\$	43,543	\$	(28,722)	\$	(2,310)	\$	(452)	\$ 12,062
Stock-based compensation, net of tax withholding		_		181		_		_		_	181
Loss on foreign currency translation, net		_		_		_		(160)		_	(160)
Net income (loss)						854				(85)	769
Balance at March 31, 2019	\$	3	\$	43,724	\$	(27,868)	\$	(2,470)	\$	(537)	\$ 12,852

## Note 14 - Stock-Based Compensation

As of March 31, 2020, the Company had 1,301,357 remaining shares available for issuance under the 2019 Equity Incentive Plan ("2019 Equity Plan").

Stock-based compensation cost for the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019 was \$0.3 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, and is included in general and administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive (loss) income. Included in stock-based compensation cost was \$0.1 million of unrestricted stock granted to directors for the three months ended March 31, 2020. Such grants were awarded consistent with the Board's compensation practices.

#### Stock Option Activity

Changes in outstanding stock options during the three months ended March 31, 2020 were as follows:

		Weighted average exercise	average remaining	Intrinsic value
	Shares	price	contractual life	(thousands)
Outstanding at December 31, 2019	1,806,508	\$ 3.37	5.87 years	\$ 1,428
Exercisable at December 31, 2019	1,270,508	\$ 3.93	5.10 years	\$ 666
Exercised	(18,000)	2.13		
Cancelled, expired or forfeited	(24,000)	4.85		
Outstanding at March 31, 2020	1,764,508	\$ 3.37	5.57 years	\$ _
Exercisable at March 31, 2020	1,291,175	\$ 3.84	4.91 years	\$ _

A summary of the status of the Company's non-vested stock options as of December 31, 2019 and March 31, 2020 and changes during the three months then ended, is presented below:

		Weighted average				
	Shares	grant date f	air value			
Non-vested stock options at December 31, 2019	536,000	\$	0.87			
Vested	(62,667)		0.89			
Non-vested stock options at March 31, 2020	473,333	\$	0.87			

The fair value of options that vested in the three months ended March 31, 2020 were less than \$0.1 million. As of March 31, 2020, there are 579,402 milestone-based options outstanding, and there is approximately \$0.7 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to these milestone-based options. These options vest based on the achievement of Company and individual objectives as set by the Board. As of March 31, 2020, there is approximately \$0.3 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested awards, which will be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.5 years.

#### Restricted Stock Unit Activity

The Company issues restricted stock units ("RSUs") under the 2019 Equity Plan. The fair value of these RSUs is determined based upon the closing fair market value of the Company's common stock on the grant date.

A summary of the status of RSUs and changes during the three months ended March 31, 2020 is presented below:

		Weight	ed average
	Shares	grant da	te fair value
Non-vested RSUs at December 31, 2019	955,011	\$	2.69
Granted	1,240,599		1.19
Vested	(116,644)		2.97
Cancelled, expired or forfeited	(4,000)		3.25
Non-vested RSUs at March 31, 2020	2,074,966	\$	1.77

As of March 31, 2020, 150,000 RSUs subject to performance-based vesting were still outstanding, and there is approximately \$0.4 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to these milestone-based options. As of March 31, 2020, the Company had approximately \$2.9 million of total unrecognized compensation costs related to RSUs, which will be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.5 years.

#### Note 15 - Segment Reporting

In the fourth quarter of 2019, in conjunction with the Kona Grill acquisition, the Company implemented certain organizational changes, including the reorganization of our internal reporting structure to better facilitate our strategy for growth and operational efficiency. As a result of these organizational changes, the Company has identified its reportable operating segments as follows:

- · <u>STK.</u> The STK segment consists of the results of operations from STK restaurant locations, competing in the full-service dining industry, as well as management, license and incentive fee revenue generated from the STK brand and operations of STK restaurant locations.
- Kona Grill. The Kona Grill segment includes the results of operations of Kona Grill restaurant locations.
- ONE Hospitality. The ONE Hospitality segment is composed of the management, license and incentive fee revenue and results of operations generated from the Company's other brands and venue concepts, which include ANGEL, Bagatelle, Heliot, Hideout, Marconi, and Radio. Additionally, this segment includes the results of operations generated from F&B hospitality management agreements with hotels, casinos and other high-end locations.
- <u>Corporate</u>. The Corporate segment consists of the following: general and administrative costs, stock-based compensation, depreciation and amortization, acquisition related gains and losses, pre-opening expenses, lease termination expenses, transaction costs, and other income and expenses. This segment also includes the Company's major off-site events group, which supports all brands and venue concepts, and revenue generated from gift card programs.

The Company's Chief Executive Officer, who is the Company's Chief Operating Decision Maker, manages the business and allocates resources via a combination of restaurant sales reports and operating segment profit information, defined as revenues less operating expenses, related to the Company's four operating segments.

Certain financial information relating to the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019 for each segment is provided below (in thousands). Prior year amounts have been revised to conform to the current year segment presentation.

	STK	K	ona Grill	ONE	Hospitality	Corporate	Total
For the three months ended March 31, 2020	 						
Total revenues	\$ 17,383	\$	20,657	\$	2,679	\$ _	\$ 40,719
Operating income (loss)	1,543		820		1,820	(8,534)	(4,351)
Capital asset additions	\$ 335	\$	410	\$	8	\$ 38	\$ 791
As of March 31, 2020							
Total assets	\$ 79,512	\$	88,199	\$	6,116	\$ 22,354	\$ 196,181
	STK	K	ona Grill	ONE	Hospitality	Corporate	Total
For the three months ended March 31, 2019	 						
Total revenues	\$ 19,245	\$	_	\$	3,060	\$ 471	\$ 22,776
Operating income (loss)	2,668		_		2,250	(3,784)	1,134
Capital asset additions	\$ 1,726	\$	_	\$	36	\$ 298	\$ 2,060
As of December 31, 2019							
Total assets	\$ 82,691	\$	93,829	\$	8,252	\$ 21,813	\$ 206,585

## Note 16 - Geographic Information

Certain financial information by geographic location is provided below (in thousands).

		2020	2019		
Domestic revenues	\$	39,977	\$	21,780	
International revenues		742		996	
Total revenues	\$	40,719	\$	22,776	
	N	Tarch 31,	De	ecember 31,	
	N	1arch 31, 2020	De	ecember 31, 2019	
Domestic long-lived assets	\$	,	\$	,	
Domestic long-lived assets International long-lived assets	\$	2020	\$	2019	

For the three months ended March 31,

#### Note 17 - Commitments and Contingencies

The Company is party to claims in lawsuits incidental to its business, including lease disputes and employee-related matters. The Company is confident in its defenses and is vigorously defending these disputes. The Company has not recorded any liabilities for these unfounded claims, and the range of possible losses is zero to \$2.2 million. In the opinion of management, the ultimate outcome of such matters, individually or in the aggregate, will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

#### Note 18 - Subsequent Events

On May 4, 2020, Goldman Sachs Bank USA ("GSB"), as administrative agent, collateral agent and lead arranger under the Credit and Guaranty Agreement dated October 4, 2019 between The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc. (the "Company") and certain of its subsidiaries, the lenders from time to time party thereto and GSB (the "Credit Agreement"), (1) consented to the CARES Act Loans described below and (2) agreed that the amount of the CARES Act Loans will not be counted toward the permitted amount of Consolidated Total Debt, as defined under the Credit Agreement, to the extent the amounts are retained as cash during the term of the CARES Act Loans in a segregated deposit account or used for purposes that are forgivable under the CARES Act, provided that the proceeds of the CARES Act Loans must be used only for "allowable uses" under the CARES Act (with at least 75% of the utilized proceeds to be used for purposes that result in the CARES Act Loans being eligible for forgiveness) or used for the repayment of the CARES Act Loans.

On May 4, 2020, two subsidiaries of the Company entered into promissory notes ("CARES Act Loans") with BBVA USA under the Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP") created by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"). Repayment of the CARES Act Loans is guaranteed by the U.S. Small Business Administration ("SBA"). The ONE Group, LLC received a loan of \$9.8 million related to the operations of STK restaurants, and Kona Grill Acquisition, LLC received a loan of \$8.5 million related to the operation of Kona Grill restaurants.

In accordance with the requirements of the CARES Act, the Company will use proceeds from the CARES Act Loans primarily for payroll costs. The CARES Act Loans are scheduled to mature on April 28, 2022 and have a 1.00% interest rate and are subject to the terms and conditions applicable to PPP loans. Among other terms, BBVA may declare a default of the CARES Act Loans if a guarantor disputes the validity of the guaranty of indebtedness, if a material adverse change occurs in our financial condition, or if BBVA believes the prospect of repayment of the CARES Act Loans or performance of obligations under the promissory notes is impaired. On an event of default, BBVA may declare principal and unpaid interest immediately due and payable, and it may charge default interest of 10%.

On May 8, 2020, GSB and the Company and certain of its subsidiaries entered into an amendment to the Credit Agreement that:

- Relaxes the fixed charge coverage ratio (decreasing the ratio for remaining measurement dates in 2020 to 1.20 to 1.00 from 1.35 to 1.00) and the leverage ratio (increasing the ratio at June 30, 2020 to 3.00 to 1.00 from 2.50 to 1.00, and the ratio at September 30 and December 31, 2020 to 2.75 to 1.00 from 2.25 to 1.00).
- Requires minimum "Consolidated Liquidity" to be \$4,000,000 for the balance of 2020 (from \$1,500,000).

As of May 10, 2020, the Company has re-opened eleven restaurant dining rooms and plans to open an additional five dining rooms on May 11, 2020. The Company expects to re-open an additional five to ten dining rooms in the next two weeks and anticipates re-opening the remaining restaurants and closed dining rooms as soon as conditions permit.

#### Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and certain information incorporated herein by reference contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date thereof and involve risks and uncertainties that may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from the results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. These risk and uncertainties include the risk factors discussed under Item 1A. "Risk Factors" of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019. Factors that might cause actual events or results to differ materially from those indicated by these forward-looking statements include matters such as the effect and duration of COVID-19 and related stay at home orders and other government actions, the effect of COVID-19 on customer behavior, general economic conditions, consumer preferences and spending, costs, competition, restaurant openings or closings, operating margins, the availability of acceptable real estate locations, the sufficiency of our cash balances and cash generated from operations and financing activities for our future liquidity and capital resource needs, the impact on our business of Federal and State legislation, litigation, the execution of our growth strategy and other matters. We have attempted to identify forward-looking statements by terminology including "anticipates," "believes," "can," "continue," "ongoing," "could," "estimates," "expects," "intends," "may," "appears," "suggests," "future," "likely," "goal," "plans," "potential," "projects," "predicts," "should," "targets," "would," "will" and similar expressions that convey the uncertainty of future events or outcomes. You should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circu

#### General

This information should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the notes included in Item 1 of Part I of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and the audited consolidated financial statements and notes, and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019.

As used in this report, the terms "Company," "we," "our," or "us," refer to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries, taken as a whole, unless the context otherwise indicates.

#### **Business Summary**

We are a global hospitality company that develops, owns and operates, manages and licenses upscale and polished casual, high-energy restaurants and lounges and provides turn-key food and beverage ("F&B") services for hospitality venues including hotels, casinos and other high-end locations. Turn-key F&B services are food and beverage services that can be scaled, customized and implemented by us at a particular hospitality venue and customized for the client. We were established with the vision of becoming a global market leader in the hospitality industry by melding high-quality service, ambiance, high-energy and cuisine into one great experience that we refer to as "Vibe Dining". All our restaurants, lounges and F&B services are designed to create a social dining and high-energy entertainment experience within a destination location. We believe that this design and operating philosophy separates us from more traditional restaurant and foodservice competitors.

Our primary restaurant brands are STK, a multi-unit steakhouse concept that combines a high-energy, social atmosphere with the quality and service of a traditional upscale steakhouse, and Kona Grill, a bar-centric grill concept featuring American favorites, award-winning sushi, and specialty cocktails in a polished casual atmosphere. Our F&B hospitality management services include developing, managing and operating restaurants, bars, rooftop lounges, pools, banqueting and catering facilities, private dining rooms, room service and mini bars tailored to the specific needs of high-end hotels and casinos. Our F&B hospitality clients operate global hospitality brands such as the W Hotel, Hippodrome Casino, and ME Hotels.

We opened our first restaurant in January 2004 in New York, New York, and, as of March 31, 2020, we owned, operated, managed or licensed 55 venues including 20 STKs and 24 Kona Grills in major metropolitan cities in North America, Europe and the Middle East and 11 F&B venues in six hotels and casinos in the United States and Europe. For those restaurants and venues that are managed or licensed, we generate management and incentive fee revenue based on a percentage of the location's revenues and net profits.

The table below reflects our venues by restaurant brand and geographic location as of March 31, 2020:

	Venues						
	STK <sup>(1)</sup>	Kona Grill	ONE Hospitality <sup>(2)</sup>	Total			
Domestic	_	_					
Owned	10	24	2	36			
Managed	1	_	1	2			
Licensed	1	_	_	1			
Total domestic	12	24	3	39			
International							
Owned	_	_	_	_			
Managed	3	_	8	11			
Licensed	5	_	_	5			
Total international	8	_	8	16			
Total venues	20	24	11	55			

- (1) Locations with an STK and STK Rooftop are considered one venue location. This includes the STK Rooftop in San Diego, CA, which is a licensed location.
- (2) Includes concepts under the Company's F&B hospitality management agreements and other venue brands such as ANGEL, Bagatelle, Heliot, Hideout, Marconi and Radio.

## **Uncertainties Related to COVID-19**

In the first quarter of 2020, the negative effect of the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") on the Company's business was significant. The Company experienced an initial decline in restaurant revenue that began in early March 2020 as business travel and social dining decreased. On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic disease, and on March 13, 2020, President Trump declared a state of emergency for COVID-19. Public concerns about the spread of COVID-19 continues to be widespread. The Company has experienced a significant reduction in guest traffic at its restaurants as a result of restrictions mandated by state and local governments.

In response to these conditions, and out of concern for our customers and partners, the Company has temporarily closed several restaurants and the Company has shifted operations at 30 of its restaurants to provide only take-out and delivery service. In addition to the decline in restaurant revenue, the Company has incurred approximately \$1.3 million of costs related to COVID-19 in the three months ended March 31, 2020, composed primarily of payments to employees for paid-time off during restaurant closures, inventory waste, and rent and rent related costs for closed and limited-operations restaurants from the day that the dining room closed. The Company has implemented measures to reduce its costs during the COVID-19 pandemic, including significant reductions in employees, deferral of capital projects, and negotiations with suppliers and landlords regarding deferral or abatement of payments which could become significant.

Given the present uncertainty surrounding the global economy due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Company cannot reasonably predict when its closed restaurants will re-open and open restaurants will be able to return to normal dining room operations. The Company expects that its results of operations will be negatively affected by these actions in the second quarter of 2020. The Company's re-opening of closed restaurants and resumption of normal dining operations is subject to events beyond its control, including the effectiveness of governmental efforts to halt the spread of COVID-19.

#### Acquisitions

On October 4, 2019, we acquired substantially all of the assets of Kona Grill Inc. and its affiliates ("Kona Grill") comprising 24 domestic restaurants. We purchased the assets for a contractual price of \$25.0 million plus approximately \$1.5 million of consideration paid primarily for the apportionment of rent and utilities. We also assumed approximately \$7.7 million in current liabilities. The purchase was financed with proceeds from the credit and guaranty agreement we entered into with Goldman Sachs Bank USA in conjunction with the acquisition ("Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement"). Over the remainder of 2020, we intend to integrate Kona Grill by leveraging our corporate infrastructure, our bar-business knowledge and unique Vibe Dining program, to elevate the brand experience and drive improved performance.

#### **Executive Summary**

Total revenue increased \$17.9 million, or 78.8%, to \$40.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020 compared to \$22.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019. Approximately \$20.7 million of the increase in total revenue was attributable to the addition of the Kona Grill restaurants in the first quarter of 2020 compared to the prior year period. The increase in

total revenue was partially offset by the temporarily closures and limited dining room operations for 30 of our remaining open restaurants beginning in March 2020 as a result of COVID-19.

Operating income decreased approximately \$5.5 million to an operating loss of \$4.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020 from operating income of \$1.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019. The decrease was primarily driven by fixed costs in comparable restaurants not decreasing at the same rate as the decrease in comparable sales for the quarter of 14.1%, specifically the decrease of comparable sales of 55.9% in March of 2020. Additionally, in the three months ended March 31, 2020, we incurred \$1.3 million in costs directly related to the effects of COVID-19 and \$1.1 million in integration expenses as a result of the Kona Grill acquisition. We expect additional costs related to COVID-19 in the second quarter, and do not anticipate any further integration expenses related to the Kona Grill acquisition.

## **Results of Operations**

The following table sets forth certain statements of operations data for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended March 3			March 31,
		2020		2019
Revenues:				
Owned restaurant net revenue	\$	38,557	\$	20,093
Management, license and incentive fee revenue		2,162		2,683
Total revenues		40,719		22,776
Cost and expenses:				
Owned operating expenses:				
Owned restaurant cost of sales		10,113		5,026
Owned restaurant operating expenses		26,499		12,717
Total owned operating expenses		36,612		17,743
General and administrative (including stock-based compensation of \$338 and \$181 for the three months				
ended March 31, 2020 and 2019 respectively)		3,397		2,650
Depreciation and amortization		2,440		942
Transaction and integration costs		1,095		_
COVID-19 related expenses		1,348		_
Lease termination expenses		179		_
Pre-opening expenses		_		482
Other income, net		(1)		(175)
Total costs and expenses		45,070		21,642
Operating (loss) income		(4,351)		1,134
Other expenses, net:				
Interest expense, net of interest income		1,175		269
Total other expenses, net				
		1,175		269
(Loss) income before (benefit) provision for income taxes		(5,526)		865
(Benefit) provision for income taxes		(653)		96
Net (loss) income		(4,873)		769
Less: net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest		(274)		(85)
Net (loss) income attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.	\$	(4,599)	\$	854

The following table sets forth certain statements of operations data as a percentage of total revenues for the periods indicated. Certain percentage amounts may not sum to total due to rounding.

	For the Three Months Ended March 3		
	2020	2019	
Revenues:			
Owned restaurant net revenue	94.7 %	88.2 %	
Management, license and incentive fee revenue	5.3 %	11.8 %	
Total revenues	100.0 %	100.0 %	
Cost and expenses:			
Owned operating expenses:			
Owned restaurant cost of sales (1)	26.2 %	25.0 %	
Owned restaurant operating expenses (1)	68.7 %	63.3 %	
Total owned operating expenses (1)	94.9 %	88.3 %	
General and administrative (including stock-based compensation of 0.8% and 0.8% for the three months			
ended March 31, 2020 and 2019 respectively)	8.3 %	11.6 %	
Depreciation and amortization	6.0 %	4.1 %	
Transaction and integration costs	2.7 %	%	
COVID-19 related expenses	3.3 %	%	
Lease termination expenses	0.4 %	%	
Pre-opening expenses	—%	2.1 %	
Other income, net	%	(0.8)%	
Total costs and expenses	110.7 %	95.0 %	
Operating (loss) income	(10.7)%	5.0 %	
Other expenses, net:			
Interest expense, net of interest income	2.9 %	1.2 %	
Total other expenses, net	2.9 %	1.2 %	
(Loss) income before (benefit) provision for income taxes	(13.6)%	3.8 %	
(Benefit) provision for income taxes	(1.6)%	0.4 %	
Net (loss) income	(12.0)%	3.4 %	
Less: net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	(0.7)%	(0.4)%	
Net (loss) income attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.	(11.3)%	3.7 %	

<sup>(1)</sup> These expenses are being shown as a percentage of owned restaurant net revenue.

The following tables show our operating results by segment for the periods indicated (in thousands). Prior year amounts have been revised to conform to the current year segment presentation.

		STK	K	ona Grill	ONE	Hospitality	(	Corporate		Total
For the three months ended March 31, 2020										
Total revenues	\$	17,383	\$	20,657	\$	2,679	\$	_	\$	40,719
Operating income (loss)		1,543		820		1,820		(8,534)		(4,351)
Capital asset additions	\$	335	\$	410	\$	8	\$	38	\$	791
As of March 31, 2020										
Total assets	\$	79,512	\$	88,199	\$	6,116	\$	22,354	\$	196,181
		STK	K	ona Grill	ONE	Hospitality	(	Corporate		Total
For the three months ended March 31, 2019		STK	K	Cona Grill	ONE	Hospitality		Corporate	_	Total
For the three months ended March 31, 2019 Total revenues	\$	19,245	\$	Cona Grill	ONE \$	Hospitality 3,060	\$	Corporate 471	\$	<b>Total</b> 22,776
·	\$			Cona Grill — —		· · ·			\$	
Total revenues	\$ \$	19,245		Cona Grill — — — —		3,060		471	\$	22,776
Total revenues Operating income (loss)		19,245 2,668	\$	_ _ _	\$	3,060 2,250	\$	471 (3,784)	Ť	22,776 1,134

EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are presented in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and are supplemental measures of financial performance that are not required by, or presented in accordance with, accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). We define EBITDA as net income before interest expense, provision for income taxes and depreciation and

amortization. We define Adjusted EBITDA as net income before interest expense, provision for income taxes, depreciation and amortization, non-cash impairment loss, non-cash rent expense, pre-opening expenses, lease termination expenses, stock-based compensation and non-recurring gains and losses. Not all of the aforementioned items defining Adjusted EBITDA occur in each reporting period but have been included in our definitions of these terms based on our historical activity.

We believe that EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are appropriate measures of our operating performance, because they eliminate non-cash or non-recurring expenses that do not reflect our underlying business performance. We use these metrics to facilitate a comparison of our operating performance on a consistent basis from period to period, to analyze the factors and trends affecting our business and to evaluate the performance of our restaurants. Adjusted EBITDA has limitations as an analytical tool and our calculation of Adjusted EBITDA may not be comparable to that reported by other companies; accordingly, you should not consider it in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of our results as reported under GAAP. Adjusted EBITDA is a key measure used by management. Additionally, Adjusted EBITDA is frequently used by analysts, investors and other interested parties to evaluate companies in our industry. We use Adjusted EBITDA, alongside other GAAP measures such as net income, to measure profitability, as a key profitability target in our budgets, and to compare our performance against that of peer companies despite possible differences in calculation.

The following table presents a reconciliation of net (loss) income to EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA for the periods indicated (in thousands):

	For the three month	ns ended March 31,		
	2020	2019		
Net (loss) income attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.	\$ (4,599)	\$ 854		
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	(274)	(85)		
Net (loss) income	(4,873)	769		
Interest expense, net of interest income	1,175	269		
(Benefit) provision for income taxes	(653)	96		
Depreciation and amortization	2,440	942		
EBITDA	(1,911)	2,076		
COVID-19 related expenses	1,348	_		
Transaction and integration costs (1)	1,095	_		
Stock-based compensation	338	181		
Lease termination expense (2)	179	_		
Non-cash rent expense (3)	136	(87)		
Pre-opening expenses	<u> </u>	482		
Adjusted EBITDA	1,185	2,652		
Adjusted EBITDA attributable to noncontrolling interest	(391)	(36)		
Adjusted EBITDA attributable to The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.	\$ 1,576	\$ 2,688		

<sup>(1)</sup> Primarily transaction and integration costs incurred with the Kona Grill acquisition and subsequent integration activities and internal costs associated with capital raising activities, most recently the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement.

## Results of Operations for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2020 and 2019

#### Revenues

Owned restaurant net revenue. Owned restaurant net revenue increased \$18.5 million to \$38.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020 from \$20.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019. Approximately \$20.7 million of the increase in owned restaurant revenue was attributable to the addition of the Kona Grill restaurants in the first quarter of 2020 compared to the prior year period. The increase in total revenue was partially offset by the temporarily closures and limited operations of our restaurants beginning in March 2020 as a result of COVID-19. Comparable restaurant sales decreased 14.1% in the first quarter of 2020.

<u>Management and license fee revenue.</u> Management and license fee revenues decreased \$0.5 million, or 19.4%, to \$2.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020 from \$2.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019. Management and license fee revenue decreased primarily as a result of lower sales within our international managed locations in the United Kingdom and Italy related to temporary closures due to COVID-19 prevention measures.

<sup>(2)</sup> Lease termination expense are costs associated with closed, abandoned and disputed locations or leases.

<sup>(3)</sup> Non-cash rent expense is included in owned restaurant operating expenses and general and administrative expense on the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive (loss) income.

## Cost and Expenses

Owned restaurant cost of sales. Food and beverage costs for owned restaurants increased approximately \$5.1 million to \$10.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020 from \$5.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019. Approximately \$5.6 million of the increase in owned restaurant cost of sales was attributable to the addition of the Kona Grill restaurants in the first quarter of 2020 compared to the prior year period. The increase in owned restaurant cost of sales was partially offset by the temporary closures and limited operations of our restaurants beginning in March 2020 as a result of COVID-19.

Owned restaurant operating expenses. Owned restaurant operating expenses increased \$13.8 million to \$26.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020 from \$12.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019. Approximately \$14.2 million of the increase in owned restaurant operating expenses was attributable to the addition of the Kona Grill restaurants in the first quarter of 2020 compared to the prior year period. The Company began reducing operating costs in March due to the impact of COVID-19.

General and administrative. General and administrative costs increased approximately \$0.7 million, or 28.2%, to \$3.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020 from \$2.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019. However, general and administrative costs as a percentage of total revenues decreased to 8.3% for the three months ended March 31, 2020 from 11.6% for the three months ended March 31, 2019. We have implemented measures to reduce our costs while our operations are affected by COVID-19, including significant reductions in employees, deferral of capital projects, and reduction of third-party professional services.

<u>Depreciation and amortization</u>. Depreciation and amortization expense increased approximately \$1.5 million to \$2.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020 from \$0.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019 due to the addition of the Kona Grill restaurants in the first quarter of 2020 compared to the prior year period.

<u>Transaction and integration costs</u>. In the three months ended March 31, 2020, we incurred transaction and integration costs of approximately \$1.1 million related to the Kona Grill acquisition, which closed on October 4, 2019. Over the remainder of 2020, we intend to integrate Kona Grill by leveraging our corporate infrastructure, our bar-business knowledge and unique Vibe Dining program, to elevate the brand experience and drive improved performance.

<u>COVID-19 related expenses</u>. In the three months ended March 31, 2020, we incurred approximately \$1.3 million of direct costs related to COVID-19, composed primarily of payments to employees for paid-time off during restaurant closures, inventory waste and rent and rent related costs for closed and limited-operations restaurants from the day that the dining room closed.

<u>Lease termination expenses</u>. In the three months ended March 31, 2020, lease termination expense was approximately \$0.2 million. Lease termination expenses are costs associated with closed, abandoned and disputed locations or disputed leases

<u>Pre-opening expenses.</u> Pre-opening expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2019 were \$0.5 million related to the development of our owned STK restaurant in Nashville, Tennessee which opened in March 2019.

*Interest expense, net of interest income.* Interest expense, net of interest income was approximately \$1.2 million and \$0.3 million for the three months ending March 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

(Benefit) provision for income taxes. The provision for income taxes for the three months ended March 31, 2020 was a tax benefit of \$0.7 million compared to tax expense of \$0.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019. Our annualized effective tax rate is estimated at 12.4% for 2020 compared to 9.7% for the three months ended March 31, 2019. Our projected annual effective tax rate differs from the statutory U.S. tax rate of 21% primarily due to the following: (i) availability of U.S. net operating loss carryforwards, resulting in no federal income taxes; (ii) taxes owed in foreign jurisdictions such as the United Kingdom, Canada and Italy; and, (iii) taxes owed in state and local jurisdictions.

Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest was approximately \$0.3 million and \$0.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our principal liquidity requirements are to meet our lease obligations, our working capital and capital expenditure needs and to pay principal and interest on our outstanding indebtedness. Subject to our operating performance, which, if significantly adversely affected, would adversely affect the availability of funds, we expect to finance our operations for at least the next 12 months, including

the costs of opening currently planned new restaurants, through cash provided by operations, borrowings on our Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement and construction allowances provided by landlords of certain locations.

We believe the combination of our cash provided by operations and our Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement are adequate to support our immediate business operations and plans. As of March 31, 2020, we had cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$8.2 million and long-term debt of \$48.0 million, which consisted of our Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement and equipment financing agreements. As of March 31, 2020 the availability pursuant to our revolving credit facility was \$10.7 million.

In the three months ended March 31, 2020, our capital expenditures were approximately \$0.8 million. Our future cash requirements will depend on many factors, including the pace of our expansion, conditions in the retail property development market, construction costs, the nature of the specific sites selected for new restaurants, and the nature of the specific leases and associated tenant improvement allowances available, if any, as negotiated with landlords. Additionally, under our current capital light strategy, we plan to enter into management and license agreements for the operation of STK restaurants where we are not required to contribute significant capital upfront.

Our operations have not required significant working capital, and, like many restaurant companies, we have negative working capital. Revenues are received primarily in credit card or cash receipts, and restaurant operations do not require significant receivables or inventories, other than our wine inventory. In addition, we receive trade credit for the purchase of food, beverages and supplies, thereby reducing the need for incremental working capital to support growth.

## Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement

On October 4, 2019, in conjunction with the acquisition of Kona Grill, we entered into the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement, which replaced the Bank of America Credit Agreement and provides for a secured revolving credit facility of \$12.0 million and a \$48.0 million term loan. The term loan is payable in quarterly installments, with the final payment due in October 2024. The revolving credit facility also matures in October 2024. Additionally, our consolidated adjusted EBITDA as defined by the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement for determining covenant compliance includes pro forma adjustments for the annualization of the Kona Grill restaurant performance which includes results before the acquisition date.

As of March 31, 2020, we were in compliance with the covenants required by the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement. Based on current projections, we believe that we would continue to comply with the covenants in the Goldman Sachs Credit Agreement, as amended, throughout the twelve months following the issuance of the financial statements.

Refer to Note 6, Note 17 and Note 18 to our consolidated financial statements set forth in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for further information regarding the terms of our long-term debt arrangements and information regarding our commitments and contingencies.

## Capital Expenditures and Lease Arrangements

Given the present uncertainty due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Company has deferred capital expenditures. To the extent we open new company-owned restaurants, we anticipate capital expenditures would increase related to the construction of new restaurants compared to general capital expenditures of existing restaurants. Although we are committed to our capital light strategy, in which our capital investment is expected to be limited, we are willing to consider opening owned restaurants as opportunities arise. For owned restaurants, where we build from a shell state, we have typically targeted an average cash investment of approximately \$3.8 million for a 10,000 square-foot STK restaurant, net of landlord contributions and equipment financing and excluding pre-opening costs. For locations where we may be the successor restaurant tenant, and currently our preference, total cash investment will be significantly less and in the \$1.0 million to \$1.5 million range. Typical pre-opening costs will be in the \$0.3 million to \$0.5 million range. In addition, some of our existing restaurants will require capital improvements to either maintain or improve the facilities. We may add seating or provide enclosures for outdoor space in the next twelve months for some of our locations which we expect will increase revenues for those locations.

Our hospitality F&B services projects typically require limited capital investment from us. Capital expenditures for these projects will primarily be funded by cash flows from operations and equipment financing, depending upon the timing of these expenditures and cash availability.

We typically seek to lease our restaurant locations for periods of 10 to 20 years under operating lease arrangements, with a limited number of renewal options. Our rent structure varies, but our leases generally provide for the payment of both minimum and contingent rent based on sales, as well as other expenses related to the leases such as our pro-rata share of common area maintenance,

property tax and insurance expenses. Many of our lease arrangements include the opportunity to secure tenant improvement allowances to partially offset the cost of developing and opening the related restaurants. Generally, landlords recover the cost of such allowances from increased minimum rents. However, there can be no assurance that such allowances will be available to us on each project that we select for development.

For the three months ended March 31, 2020, we spent a total of \$0.8 million in capital expenditures, \$1.3 million less than the amount spent for the same period in the prior year, and expect to keep capital expenditures at a low level as long as the uncertainty related to COVID-19 continues.

#### Cash Flows

The following table summarizes the statement of cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019 (in thousands):

	For the three months ended March 31,			
		2020		2019
Net cash (used in) provided by:		_		
Operating activities	\$	(3,103)	\$	2,513
Investing activities		(791)		(2,060)
Financing activities		(226)		(798)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		(64)		(168)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	\$	(4,184)	\$	(513)

Operating Activities. Net cash used in operating activities was \$3.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020 compared to \$2.5 million of cash generated from operating activities for the three months ended March 31, 2019. The decrease was primarily attributable to the decrease in net income which included \$1.3 million in expenses for payments to employees for paid-time off during restaurant closures, and inventory waste directly attributable to COVID-19, and \$1.1 million in transaction and integration expenses related to the Kona Grill acquisition coupled with \$4.4 million reduction in accounts payable and accrued expenses.

<u>Investing Activities</u>. Net cash used in investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2020 was \$0.8 million compared to \$2.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019. We have implemented measures to reduce our costs for the foreseeable future due to COVID-19, including the deferral of most non-safety related capital projects.

*Financing Activities.* Net cash used in financing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2020 was \$0.2 million compared to \$0.8 million in the three months ended March 31, 2019.

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We do not have any off-balance sheet arrangements as defined in Item 303(a)(4)(ii) of Regulation S-K.

## **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

See Note 1 to our consolidated financial statements set forth in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for a detailed description of recent accounting pronouncements. We do not expect the recent accounting pronouncements discussed in Note 1 to have a significant impact on our consolidated financial position or results of operations.

### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

As a "smaller reporting company," as defined by Item 10 of Regulation S-K, we are not required to provide this information.

## Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

## Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, carried out an evaluation as of the last day of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act"). Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures (a) are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange

Act is timely recorded, processed, summarized and reported and (b) include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

## **Changes in Internal Controls**

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act, that occurred during the first quarter of 2020 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## PART II — OTHER INFORMATION

## Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

We are subject to claims common to our industry and in the ordinary course of our business. Companies in our industry, including us, have been and are subject to class action lawsuits, primarily regarding compliance with labor laws and regulations. Defending lawsuits requires significant management attention and financial resources and the outcome of any litigation is inherently uncertain. We believe that accrual for these matters are adequately provided for in our consolidated financial statements. We do not believe the ultimate resolutions of these matters will have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position and results of operations. However, the resolution of lawsuits is difficult to predict. A significant increase in the number of these claims, or one or more successful claims under which we incur greater liabilities than is currently anticipated, could materially and adversely affect our consolidated financial statements.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors.

See our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019 for additional risk factors.

## The outbreak of COVID-19 has significantly affected our restaurant traffic and our business.

Our business has been adversely affected by the effect of, the public perception of a risk of, and government actions to contain, COVID-19. In December 2019, COVID-19 was identified in Wuhan, China, and subsequently spread to other regions of the world. On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic disease. Since early March 2020, we have experienced a significant decline in restaurant traffic and government agencies have since declared a state of emergency in the U.S. and in foreign jurisdictions where we operate, and some government agencies have restricted movement, required restaurant and bar closures, and advised people not to visit restaurants or bars. In some jurisdictions, people have been instructed to shelter in place to reduce the spread of COVID-19. In response to these conditions, we temporarily closed several restaurants and shifted operations at others to provide only take-out and delivery service. We expect our results of operations to be materially and negatively affected by these actions. A prolonged occurrence of COVID-19 may result in further restrictions, including possible travel restrictions and additional restrictions on the restaurant industry. Our efforts to mitigate the effect of COVID-19 on our business may be unsuccessful, and we may not be able to adequately reduce our costs as we move to a take-out and delivery model, with which we have limited experience. Any of these events could result in a sustained, significant drop in restaurant traffic and could have a material adverse effect on us. In the event that the effect of COVID-19 be prolonged, there could be other events that drive risk in the business. For a description of those risks, refer to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December, 31, 2019 for additional risk factors.

## Item 6. Exhibits.

(a) Exhibits required by Item 601 of Regulation S-K.

Exhibit	Description
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (Incorporated by reference to Form 8-K filed on June 5, 2014).
<u>3.2</u>	Amended and Restated Bylaws (Incorporated by reference to Form 8-K filed on October 25, 2011).
<u>31.1</u> *	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes - Oxley Act of 2002
<u>31.2*</u>	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes – Oxley Act of 2002
31.1* 31.2* 32.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes - Oxley Act of 2002, 18 U.S.C. Section
	<u>1350.</u>
<u>32.2*</u>	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes - Oxley Act of 2002, 18 U.S.C. Section
	<u>1350.</u>
101.CAL*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
101.INS*	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document

<sup>\*</sup>Filed herewith.

## 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.

Dated: May 11, 2020

THE ONE GROUP HOSPITALITY, INC.

/s/ Tyler Loy Tyler Loy, Chief Financial Officer

## I, Emanuel Hilario, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
- a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
- b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, 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;
- c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
- d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
- a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 11, 2020

/s/ Emanuel Hilario

Emanuel Hilario
Title: Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

## I, Tyler Loy, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
- a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
- b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, 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;
- c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
- d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
- a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 11, 2020

/s/ Tyler Loy

Tyler Loy

Title: Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (subsections (a) and (b) of section 1350, chapter 63 of title 18, United States Code), the undersigned officer of The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), does hereby certify, to such officer's knowledge, that:

The Quarterly Report for the three months ended March 31, 2020 (the "Form 10-Q") of the Company fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: May 11, 2020 /s/ Emanuel Hilario

Emanuel Hilario
Title: Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (subsections (a) and (b) of section 1350, chapter 63 of title 18, United States Code), the undersigned officer of The ONE Group Hospitality, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), does hereby certify, to such officer's knowledge, that:

The Quarterly Report for the three months ended March 31, 2020 (the "Form 10-Q") of the Company fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: May 11, 2020 /s/ Tyler Loy

Tyler Loy Title: Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)