

# CarParts.com Reports Second Quarter 2024 Results

TORRANCE, Calif., July 30, 2024 /PRNewswire/ -- CarParts.com, Inc. (NASDAQ: PRTS), a leading eCommerce provider of automotive parts and accessories, and a premier destination for vehicle repair and maintenance needs, is reporting results for the second quarter ended June 29, 2024.



## Second Quarter 2024 Summary vs. Year-Ago Quarter

- Net sales decreased to \$144.3 million, down 18% from the year-ago quarter.
- Gross profit of \$48.4 million vs. \$60.4 million, with gross margin of 33.5%.
- Net loss was (\$8.7) million, or (\$0.15) per share, compared to a net loss of (\$0.7) million, or (\$0.01) per share.
- Adjusted EBITDA of (\$0.1) million vs. \$6.3 million.
- Cash of \$34.1 million and no revolver debt.
- Total cumulative mobile app downloads of 450,000, more than double the number from the beginning of the year.

## **Management Commentary**

"Last quarter we discussed our emphasis on financial discipline and profitability by focusing

on driving gross and net margins, accelerating efficiency and effectiveness to quickly deliver improved profitability; and achieving sustainable growth with strong long-term free cash flow.

In the second quarter, we made significant progress on gross margin and efficiencies, which reinforces our confidence that we're on the right track. We are confident in our roadmap and our opportunity as a leading online retailer in a highly fragmented \$400 billion automotive aftermarket market.

In the first half of the year, we updated our pricing and marketing acquisition strategies to target more profitable customers and generate higher gross margins. As a result, in the second quarter, we saw sequential margin improvement with product margins at 54.0%, up 210 bps from Q1. We expect Q3 to be sequentially higher.

We are forging on a path that we expect will result in achieving sustainable and significantly positive Adjusted EBITDA next year while working towards achieving a 6-8% Adjusted EBITDA margin and enhanced free cash flow generation in the medium term" said David Meniane. CEO.

#### **Second Quarter 2024 Financial Results**

Net sales in the second quarter of 2024 were \$144.3 million, down 18% from the year-ago quarter. The decrease was primarily driven by deliberate price increases to drive gross margin expansion combined with softness in consumer demand.

Gross profit in the second quarter was \$48.4 million compared to \$60.4 million, with gross margin decreasing 70 basis points to 33.5%, but up sequentially from 32.4% in the first quarter of 2024. For fiscal year 2024, the Company is focused on driving gross margin expansion. This improvement was primarily driven by price increases and expanded branded gross margins, offset by higher year-over-year freight costs.

Total operating expenses in the second quarter were \$57.1 million compared to \$61.3 million in the year-ago quarter.

Net loss in the second quarter was (\$8.7) million compared to a net loss of (\$0.7) million in the year-ago quarter.

Adjusted EBITDA in the second quarter was (\$0.1) million compared to \$6.3 million in the year-ago quarter.

On June 29, 2024, the Company had a cash balance of \$34.1 million and no revolver debt, compared to no revolver debt and a \$51.0 million cash balance at prior fiscal year-end December 30, 2023.

#### 2024 Outlook

For the full year 2024, we are targeting net sales and gross profit to remain within the range we had previously forecasted. The Company expects net sales at the low end in the range of \$600 million to \$625 million and gross margin to be 33%, plus or minus 100 basis points.

#### **Conference Call**

CarParts.com CEO David Meniane, CFO Ryan Lockwood and COO Michael Huffaker will host a conference call today to discuss the results, followed by a question-and-answer period.

Date: Tuesday, July 30, 2024

Time: 5:00 p.m. Eastern time (2:00 p.m. Pacific time) Webcast: <a href="https://www.carparts.com/investor/news-events">www.carparts.com/investor/news-events</a>

To listen to the live call, please click the link above to access the webcast. A replay of the audio webcast will be archived on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.carparts.com/investor">www.carparts.com/investor</a>.

## About CarParts.com, Inc.

CarParts.com, Inc. is a technology-driven eCommerce company offering over 1 million high-quality automotive parts and accessories. Operating for over 25 years, CarParts.com has established itself as a premier destination for drivers seeking repair and maintenance solutions. Our commitment lies in placing the customer at the forefront of our operations, evident in our easy-to-use, mobile-friendly website and app. With a commitment to affordability and customer satisfaction, CarParts.com simplifies the automotive repair process, aiming to eliminate the uncertainty and stress often associated with vehicle maintenance. Backed by a robust company-operated fulfillment network, we ensure swift delivery of top-quality parts from leading brands to customers across the nation.

At CarParts.com, our global team is united by a shared vision: Empowering Drivers Along Their Journey.

CarParts.com is headquartered in Torrance, California.

#### Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Regulation G, and other provisions of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, define and prescribe the conditions for use of certain non-GAAP financial information. We provide "Adjusted EBITDA" in this earnings release and on today's scheduled conference call, which are non-GAAP financial measures. Adjusted EBITDA consist of net (loss) income before (a) interest (income) expense, net; (b) income tax provision; (c) depreciation and amortization expense; (d) amortization of intangible assets; (e) share-based compensation expense; (f) workforce transition costs; and (g) distribution center costs. A reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to net (loss) income is provided below.

The Company believes that these non-GAAP financial measures provide important supplemental information to management and investors. These non-GAAP financial measures reflect an additional way of viewing aspects of the Company's operations that, when viewed with the GAAP results and the accompanying reconciliations to corresponding GAAP financial measures, provides a more complete understanding of factors and trends affecting the Company's business and results of operations.

Management uses Adjusted EBITDA as measures of the Company's operating performance because it assists in comparing the Company's operating performance on a consistent basis by removing the impact of stock compensation expense as well as other items that we do not believe are representative of our ongoing operating performance. Internally, these non-

GAAP measures are also used by management for planning purposes, including the preparation of internal budgets; for allocating resources to enhance financial performance; and for evaluating the effectiveness of operational strategies. The Company also believes that analysts and investors use these non-GAAP measures as supplemental measures to evaluate the ongoing operations of companies in our industry.

These non-GAAP financial measures are used in addition to and in conjunction with results presented in accordance with GAAP and should not be relied upon to the exclusion of GAAP financial measures. Management strongly encourages investors to review the Company's consolidated financial statements in their entirety and to not rely on any single financial measure. Because non-GAAP financial measures are not standardized, it may not be possible to compare these financial measures with other companies' non-GAAP financial measures having the same or similar names. In addition, the Company expects to continue to incur expenses similar to the non-GAAP adjustments described above, and exclusion of these items from the Company's non-GAAP measures should not be construed as an inference that these costs are all unusual, infrequent or non-recurring.

#### Safe Harbor Statement

This press release contains statements which are based on management's current expectations, estimates and projections about the Company's business and its industry, as well as certain assumptions made by the Company. These statements are forward looking statements for the purposes of the safe harbor provided by Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Words such as "anticipates," "could," "expects," "intends," "plans," "potential," "believes," "predicts," "projects," "seeks," "estimates," "may," "will," "would," "will likely continue" and variations of these words or similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding our future operating results and financial condition, our potential growth, our ability to innovate, our ability to gain market share, and our ability to expand and improve our product offerings. We undertake no obligation to revise or update publicly any forwardlooking statements for any reason. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Therefore, our actual results could differ materially and adversely from those expressed in any forward-looking statements as a result of various factors.

Important factors that may cause such a difference include, but are not limited to, competitive pressures, our dependence on search engines to attract customers, demand for the Company's products, the online market and channel mix for aftermarket auto parts, the economy in general, increases in commodity and component pricing that would increase the Company's product costs, the operating restrictions in its credit agreement, the weather and any other factors discussed in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), including the Risk Factors contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10–K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10–Q, which are available at www.carparts.com/investor and the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. You are urged to consider these factors carefully in evaluating the forward-looking statements in this release and are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements, which are qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement. Unless otherwise required by law, the Company expressly disclaims any obligation to update publicly any forward-looking

statements, whether as result of new information, future events or otherwise.

## **Investor Relations:**

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Summarized information for the periods presented is as follows (in millions):

|                   | Thirteen<br>Weeks<br>Ended |          |   | Thirteen<br>Weeks<br>Ended |        |   | W         | nty-Six<br>eeks<br>nded |   | W       | wenty-Six<br>Weeks<br>Ended |   |  |
|-------------------|----------------------------|----------|---|----------------------------|--------|---|-----------|-------------------------|---|---------|-----------------------------|---|--|
|                   |                            | 29, 2024 |   | July 1, 2023 June 29, 2024 |        |   |           |                         |   | 1, 2023 |                             |   |  |
| Net sales         | \$                         | 144.27   |   | \$                         | 176.98 | • | \$        | 310.56                  |   | \$      | 352.47                      |   |  |
| Gross profit      | \$                         | 48.39    |   | \$                         | 60.44  |   | \$ 102.31 |                         |   | \$      | 122.99                      |   |  |
|                   | -                          | 33.5     | % |                            | 34.2   | % |           | 32.9                    | % |         | 34.9                        | % |  |
| Operating expense | \$                         | 57.12    |   | \$                         | 61.29  |   | \$        | 117.56                  |   | \$      | 123.20                      |   |  |
|                   |                            | 39.6     | % |                            | 34.6   | % |           | 37.9                    | % |         | 35.0                        | % |  |
| Net (loss) income | \$                         | (8.69)   |   | \$                         | (0.67) |   | \$        | (15.17)                 |   | \$      | 0.38                        |   |  |
|                   |                            | (6.0)    | % |                            | (0.4)  | % |           | (4.9)                   | % |         | 0.1                         | % |  |
| Adjusted EBITDA   | \$                         | (0.12)   |   | \$                         | 6.30   |   | \$        | 0.93                    |   | \$      | 15.67                       |   |  |
|                   |                            | (0.1)    | % |                            | 3.6    | % |           | 0.3                     | % |         | 4.4                         | % |  |

The table below reconciles net (loss) income to Adjusted EBITDA for the periods presented (in thousands):

|   | Thirteen<br>Weeks<br>Ended |             | ٧    | iirteen<br>Veeks<br>Inded |     | venty-Six<br>Weeks<br>Ended | Twenty-Six<br>Weeks<br>Ended |         |  |  |
|---|----------------------------|-------------|------|---------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---------|--|--|
|   | Jur                        | ne 29, 2024 | July | 1, 2023                   | Jur | ne 29, 2024                 | July                         | 1, 2023 |  |  |
| Net (loss) income                         | \$                         | (8,687)     | \$   | (671)                     | \$  | (15,165)                    | \$                           | 380     |  |  |
| Depreciation & amortization               |                            | 4,455       |      | 4,247                     |     | 8,480                       |                              | 8,166   |  |  |
| Amortization of intangible assets         |                            | 13          |      | 9                         |     | 21                          |                              | 20      |  |  |
| Interest (income) expense, net            |                            | (68)        |      | (221)                     |     | (205)                       |                              | 126     |  |  |
| Income tax provision                      |                            | 27          |      | 141                       |     | 125                         |                              | 282     |  |  |
| EBITDA                                    | \$                         | (4,260)     | \$   | 3,505                     | \$  | (6,744)                     | \$                           | 8,974   |  |  |
| Stock compensation expense                | \$                         | 3,328       | \$   | 2,797                     | \$  | 5,910                       | \$                           | 6,696   |  |  |
| Workforce transition costs <sup>(1)</sup> |                            | 108         |      | _                         |     | 591                         |                              | _       |  |  |
| Distribution center costs <sup>(2)</sup>  |                            | 706         |      |                           |     | 1,177                       |                              |         |  |  |
| Adjusted EBITDA                           | \$                         | (118)       | \$   | 6,302                     | \$  | 934                         | \$                           | 15,670  |  |  |
|   |                            |             |      |                           |     |                             |                              |         |  |  |

We incurred workforce transition costs, primarily related to severance, as part of our recent workforce reductions.
We incurred certain non-recurring costs, primarily overlapping rent expense, attributable to moving to our new Las Vegas, Nevada
distribution center.

## CARPARTS.COM, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE OPERATIONS

(Unaudited, In Thousands, Except Per Share Data)

|   | Thirteen Weeks Ended |         |         |         | Twenty-Six Weeks Ended |          |         |         |
|---|----------------------|---------|---------|---------|------------------------|----------|---------|---------|
|   | June 29,             |         | July 1, |         |                        | June 29, | July 1, |         |
|   |                      | 2024    |         | 2023    |                        | 2024     |         | 2023    |
| Net sales   | \$                   | 144,270 | \$      | 176,978 | \$                     | 310,559  | \$      | 352,470 |
| Cost of sales (1)   |                      | 95,877  |         | 116,536 |                        | 208,247  |         | 229,477 |
| Gross profit  |                      | 48,393  |         | 60,442  |                        | 102,312  |         | 122,993 |
| Operating expense   |                      | 57,121  |         | 61,286  |                        | 117,557  |         | 123,201 |
| Loss from operations  |                      | (8,728) |         | (844)   |                        | (15,245) |         | (208)   |
| Other income (expense):   |                      |         |         |         |                        |          |         |         |
| Other income, net   |                      | 354     |         | 639     |                        | 791      |         | 1,553   |
| Interest expense  |                      | (286)   |         | (325)   |                        | (586)    |         | (683)   |
| Total other income, net   |                      | 68      |         | 314     |                        | 205      |         | 870     |
| (Loss) income before income taxes                                 |                      | (8,660) |         | (530)   |                        | (15,040) |         | 662     |
| Income tax provision  |                      | 27      |         | 141     |                        | 125      |         | 282     |
| Net (loss) income   |                      | (8,687) |         | (671)   |                        | (15,165) |         | 380     |
| Other comprehensive gain:   |                      |         |         |         |                        |          |         |         |
| Foreign currency adjustments                                      |                      | _       |         | _       |                        | 87       |         | _       |
| Unrealized gain on deferred compensation trust assets             |                      | _       |         | 24      |                        | _        |         | 48      |
| Total other comprehensive gain                                    |                      | _       |         | 24      |                        | 87       |         | 48      |
| Comprehensive (loss) income                                       | \$                   | (8,687) | \$      | (647)   | \$                     | (15,078) | \$      | 428     |
| Net (loss) income per share:                                      |                      |         |         |         |                        |          |         |         |
| Basic net (loss) income per share                                 | \$                   | (0.15)  | \$      | (0.01)  | \$                     | (0.27)   | \$      | 0.01    |
| Diluted net (loss) income per share                               | \$                   | (0.15)  | \$      | (0.01)  | \$                     | (0.27)   | \$      | 0.01    |
| Weighted-average common shares outstanding:                       |                      |         |         |         |                        |          |         |         |
| Shares used in computation of basic net (loss) income per share   |                      | 56,851  |         | 56,532  |                        | 56,677   |         | 55,789  |
| Shares used in computation of diluted net (loss) income per share |                      | 56,851  |         | 56,532  |                        | 56,677   |         | 58,028  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes depreciation and amortization expense which is included in operating expense.

## CARPARTS.COM, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

(Unaudited, In Thousands, Except Par Value Data)

|   | June 29,<br>2024 |           | Dec | cember 30,<br>2023 |
|---|------------------|-----------|-----|--------------------|
| ASSETS  |                  |           |     |                    |
| Current assets:   |                  |           |     |                    |
| Cash and cash equivalents   | \$               | 34,065    | \$  | 50,951             |
| Accounts receivable, net  |                  | 6,147     |     | 7,365              |
| Inventory, net  |                  | 109,289   |     | 128,901            |
| Other current assets  |                  | 8,154     |     | 6,121              |
| Total current assets  |                  | 157,655   |     | 193,338            |
| Property and equipment, net   |                  | 34,622    |     | 26,389             |
| Right-of-use - assets - operating leases, net   |                  | 29,530    |     | 19,542             |
| Right-of-use - assets - finance leases, net   |                  | 12,929    |     | 15,255             |
| Other non-current assets  |                  | 3,303     |     | 3,331              |
| Total assets  | \$               | 238,039   | \$  | 257,855            |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY  |                  | <u></u> ; |     |                    |
| Current liabilities:  |                  |           |     |                    |
| Accounts payable  | \$               | 62,701    | \$  | 77,851             |
| Accrued expenses  |                  | 17,571    |     | 20,770             |
| Right-of-use - obligation - operating, current  |                  | 5,692     |     | 4,749              |
| Right-of-use - obligation - finance, current  |                  | 3,897     |     | 4,308              |
| Other current liabilities   |                  | 4,742     |     | 5,308              |
| Total current liabilities   |                  | 94,603    |     | 112,986            |
| Right-of-use - obligation - operating, non-current  |                  | 26,166    |     | 16,742             |
| Right-of-use - obligation - finance, non-current  |                  | 10,517    |     | 12,327             |
| Other non-current liabilities   |                  | 2,863     |     | 2,969              |
| Total liabilities   |                  | 134,149   |     | 145,024            |
| Commitments and contingencies   |                  |           |     |                    |
| Stockholders' equity:   |                  |           |     |                    |
| Common stock, \$0.001 par value; 100,000 shares authorized; 57,088 and 56,303 shares issued and |                  |           |     |                    |
| outstanding as of June 29, 2024 and December 30, 2023 (of which 3,786 are treasury stock)       |                  | 61        |     | 60                 |
| Treasury stock  |                  | (11,912)  |     | (11,912)           |
| Additional paid-in capital  |                  | 319,010   |     | 312,874            |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income  |                  | 870       |     | 783                |
| Accumulated deficit   |                  | (204,139) |     | (188,974)          |
| Total stockholders' equity  | _                | 103,890   |     | 112,831            |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity  | \$               | 238,039   | \$  | 257,855            |

## CARPARTS.COM, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited, In Thousands)

|  | Τv | Twenty-Six Weeks End |    |                 |  |
|--|----|----------------------|----|-----------------|--|
|  | •  | June 29,<br>2024     | ,  | July 1,<br>2023 |  |
| Operating activities   |    |                      |    |                 |  |
| Net (loss) income  | \$ | (15,165)             | \$ | 380             |  |
| Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash provided by operating activities: |    | , , ,                |    |                 |  |
| Depreciation and amortization expense  |    | 8,480                |    | 8,166           |  |
| Amortization of intangible assets  |    | 21                   |    | 20              |  |
| Share-based compensation expense   |    | 5,910                |    | 6,696           |  |
| Stock awards issued for non-employee director service                                    |    | 19                   |    | 11              |  |
| Stock awards related to officers and directors stock purchase plan from payroll deferral |    | 4                    |    | _               |  |
| Gain from disposition of assets  |    | _                    |    | (75)            |  |
| Amortization of deferred financing costs   |    | 32                   |    | 32              |  |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities:   |    |                      |    |                 |  |
| Accounts receivable  |    | 1,217                |    | (1,090)         |  |
| Inventory  |    | 19,613               |    | 22,286          |  |
| Other current assets   |    | (2,032)              |    | (4)             |  |
| Other non-current assets   |    | 15                   |    | 60              |  |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses  |    | (17,802)             |    | 28,630          |  |
| Other current liabilities  |    | (566)                |    | 925             |  |
| Right-of-use obligation - operating leases - current                                     |    | 1,169                |    | 380             |  |
| Right-of-use obligation - operating leases - long-term                                   |    | (790)                |    | (398)           |  |
| Other non-current liabilities  |    | (107)                |    | 342             |  |
| Net cash provided by operating activities  |    | 18                   |    | 66,361          |  |
| Investing activities   |    |                      |    |                 |  |
| Additions to property and equipment  |    | (14,567)             |    | (4,669)         |  |
| Payments for intangible assets   |    | (40)                 |    | (1,000)         |  |
| Proceeds from sale of property and equipment   |    | _                    |    | 83              |  |
| Net cash used in investing activities  |    | (14,607)             |    | (4,586)         |  |
| Financing activities   |    | ( : :,==: )          |    | (1,000)         |  |
| Borrowings from revolving loan payable   |    | 127                  |    | 117             |  |
| Payments made on revolving loan payable  |    | (127)                |    | (117)           |  |
| Payments on finance leases   |    | (2,157)              |    | (2,467)         |  |
| Repurchase of treasury stock   |    | _                    |    | (1,052)         |  |
| Net proceeds from issuance of common stock for ESPP                                      |    | 202                  |    | 221             |  |
| Statutory tax withholding payment for share-based compensation                           |    | (429)                |    | _               |  |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options  |    | _                    |    | 1,969           |  |
| Net cash used in financing activities  |    | (2,384)              |    | (1,329)         |  |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash  |    | 87                   |    |                 |  |
| Net change in cash and cash equivalents  |    | (16,886)             |    | 60,446          |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period   |    | 50,951               |    | 18,767          |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period   | \$ | 34,065               | \$ | 79,213          |  |
| Supplemental disclosure of non-cash investing and financing activities:                  |    |                      |    |                 |  |
| Right-of-use operating asset acquired  | \$ | 12,857               | \$ |                 |  |
| Accrued asset purchases  | \$ | 888                  | \$ | 408             |  |
| Share-based compensation expense capitalized in property and equipment                   | \$ | 431                  | \$ | 411             |  |
| Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:  | Ψ  | 401                  | Ψ  | 411             |  |
| Cash paid during the period for income taxes   | \$ | 48                   | \$ | 155             |  |
| Cash paid during the period for interest   | \$ | 586                  | \$ | 683             |  |
| Cash received during the period for interest   | \$ | 791                  | \$ | 557             |  |
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