

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Form 5500</b></p> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p><b>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</b></p> <p style="font-size: small;">This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).</p> <p>▶ <b>Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</b></p>	<p style="font-size: x-small;">OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: large; font-weight: bold;">2023</p> <hr/> <p style="font-weight: bold;">This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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**Part I Annual Report Identification Information**  
 For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 05/24/2023

**A** This return/report is for:  a multiemployer plan  a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)

a single-employer plan  a DFE (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**B** This return/report is:  the first return/report  the final return/report

an amended return/report  a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)

**C** If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. . . . .

**D** Check box if filing under:  Form 5558  automatic extension  the DFVC program

special extension (enter description)

**E** If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. . . . .

**Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information**

<p><b>1a</b> Name of plan <u>FRANCESCA'S COLLECTIONS, INC. 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN</u></p>	<p><b>1b</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>001</u></p>
<p><b>2a</b> Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) <u>FHC COLLECTIONS, INC. (F/K/A FRANCESCA'S COLLECTIONS, INC.)</u></p> <p><u>CO SACCULLO BUSINESS CONSULTING, LLC</u> <u>27 CRIMSON KING DRIVE</u> <u>BEAR, DE 19701</u></p>	<p><b>1c</b> Effective date of plan <u>10/01/2009</u></p> <p><b>2b</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>76-0604665</u></p> <p><b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>302-643-9175</u></p> <p><b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions) <u>453990</u></p>

**Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.**

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

<b>SIGN HERE</b>	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	01/26/2024	DOUGLAS SQUASONI
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
<b>SIGN HERE</b>			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
<b>SIGN HERE</b>			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

<b>3a</b> Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	<b>3b</b> Administrator's EIN  <b>3c</b> Administrator's telephone number  <div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>																		
<b>4</b> If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: <b>a</b> Sponsor's name <b>c</b> Plan Name	<b>4b</b> EIN  <b>4d</b> PN																		
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**8a** If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:  
 2F 2G 2J 2K 2T 3H 3D 2E

**b** If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

<b>9a</b> Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	<b>9b</b> Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor
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**10** Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

<p><b>a Pension Schedules</b></p> <p>(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>R</b> (Retirement Plan Information)</p> <p>(2) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>MB</b> (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary</p> <p>(3) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>SB</b> (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary</p> <p>(4) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>DCG</b> (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____</p> <p>(5) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>MEP</b> (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)</p>	<p><b>b General Schedules</b></p> <p>(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>H</b> (Financial Information)</p> <p>(2) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>I</b> (Financial Information – Small Plan)</p> <p>(3) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>A</b> (Insurance Information) – Number Attached <u>  0  </u></p> <p>(4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>C</b> (Service Provider Information)</p> <p>(5) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>D</b> (DFE/Participating Plan Information)</p> <p>(6) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>G</b> (Financial Transaction Schedules)</p>
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**Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)**

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**11a** If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) .....  Yes  No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

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**11b** Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) .....  Yes  No

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**11c** Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2023 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2023 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>SCHEDULE C</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Service Provider Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2023</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>FHC COLLECTIONS, INC. (F/K/A FRANCESCA'S COLLECTIONS, INC.)</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>76-0604665</b>	

**Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)**

You must complete this Part, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information required for **each person** who received, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of monetary value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or the person's position with the plan during the plan year. If a person received **only** eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures, you are required to answer line 1 but are not required to include that person when completing the remainder of this Part.

**1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation**

**a** Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions).....  Yes  No

**b** If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

**(b)** Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation

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**2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation.** Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
64 65	RECORDKEEPER	1543	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	0	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

**Part I Service Provider Information (continued)**

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

<b>(a)</b> Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	<b>(b)</b> Service Codes (see instructions)	<b>(c)</b> Enter amount of indirect compensation
<b>(d)</b> Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	<b>(e)</b> Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
<b>(a)</b> Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	<b>(b)</b> Service Codes (see instructions)	<b>(c)</b> Enter amount of indirect compensation
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**Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information**

**4** Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

<b>(a)</b> Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	<b>(b)</b> Nature of Service Code(s)	<b>(c)</b> Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide

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**Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)**  
(complete as many entries as needed)

<b>a</b> Name:	<b>b</b> EIN:
<b>c</b> Position:	
<b>d</b> Address:	<b>e</b> Telephone:

Explanation:

<b>a</b> Name:	<b>b</b> EIN:
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<b>SCHEDULE H</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Financial Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).  ▶ <b>File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	OMB No. 1210-0110  <b>2023</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b>
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<b>Part I</b>	<b>Asset and Liability Statement</b>
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**1** Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

Assets	(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
<b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....	<b>1a</b> 0	0
<b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):		
<b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b> 0	0
<b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....	<b>1b(2)</b> 0	0
<b>(3)</b> Other .....	<b>1b(3)</b> 0	0
<b>c</b> General investments:		
<b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....	<b>1c(1)</b> 148229	0
<b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....	<b>1c(2)</b> 0	0
<b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):		
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(3)(A)</b> 0	0
<b>(B)</b> All other .....	<b>1c(3)(B)</b> 0	0
<b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):		
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(4)(A)</b> 0	0
<b>(B)</b> Common .....	<b>1c(4)(B)</b> 0	0
<b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....	<b>1c(5)</b> 0	0
<b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....	<b>1c(6)</b> 0	0
<b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>1c(7)</b> 0	0
<b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....	<b>1c(8)</b> 0	0
<b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....	<b>1c(9)</b> 0	0
<b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....	<b>1c(10)</b> 0	0
<b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....	<b>1c(11)</b> 0	0
<b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>1c(12)</b> 0	0
<b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>1c(13)</b> 4328151	0
<b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) .....	<b>1c(14)</b> 0	0
<b>(15)</b> Other .....	<b>1c(15)</b> 0	0

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities .....	1d(1)	0	0
(2) Employer real property .....	1d(2)	0	0
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation .....	1e	0	0
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e) .....	1f	4476380	0
<b>Liabilities</b>			
g Benefit claims payable .....	1g	0	0
h Operating payables .....	1h	0	0
i Acquisition indebtedness .....	1i	0	0
j Other liabilities .....	1j	0	0
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j) .....	1k	0	0
<b>Net Assets</b>			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f) .....	1l	4476380	0

**Part II Income and Expense Statement**

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

<b>Income</b>		(a) Amount	(b) Total
<b>a Contributions:</b>			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers .....	2a(1)(A)	0	
(B) Participants .....	2a(1)(B)	0	
(C) Others (including rollovers) .....	2a(1)(C)	0	
(2) Noncash contributions .....	2a(2)	0	
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A), (B), (C), and line 2a(2) .....	2a(3)		0
<b>b Earnings on investments:</b>			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit) .....	2b(1)(A)	542	
(B) U.S. Government securities .....	2b(1)(B)	0	
(C) Corporate debt instruments .....	2b(1)(C)	0	
(D) Loans (other than to participants) .....	2b(1)(D)	0	
(E) Participant loans .....	2b(1)(E)	0	
(F) Other .....	2b(1)(F)	0	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F) .....	2b(1)(G)		542
(2) Dividends:			
(A) Preferred stock .....	2b(2)(A)	0	
(B) Common stock .....	2b(2)(B)	0	
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds) .....	2b(2)(C)	962	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A), (B), and (C) .....	2b(2)(D)		962
(3) Rents .....	2b(3)		0
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:			
(A) Aggregate proceeds .....	2b(4)(A)	0	
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions) .....	2b(4)(B)	0	
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result .....	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:			
(A) Real estate .....	2b(5)(A)	0	
(B) Other .....	2b(5)(B)	0	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B) .....	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
<b>(6)</b> Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	<b>2b(6)</b>		0
<b>(7)</b> Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	<b>2b(7)</b>		0
<b>(8)</b> Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	<b>2b(8)</b>		0
<b>(9)</b> Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	<b>2b(9)</b>		0
<b>(10)</b> Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>2b(10)</b>		301177
<b>c</b> Other income .....	<b>2c</b>		0
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2d</b>		302681

**Expenses**

<b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
<b>(1)</b> Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....	<b>2e(1)</b>	4777518	
<b>(2)</b> To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	<b>2e(2)</b>	0	
<b>(3)</b> Other.....	<b>2e(3)</b>	0	
<b>(4)</b> Total benefit payments. Add lines <b>2e(1)</b> through <b>(3)</b> .....	<b>2e(4)</b>		4777518
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions).....	<b>2f</b>		0
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....	<b>2g</b>		0
<b>h</b> Interest expense .....	<b>2h</b>		0
<b>i</b> Administrative expenses:			
<b>(1)</b> Salaries and allowances.....	<b>2i(1)</b>	0	
<b>(2)</b> Contract administrator fees.....	<b>2i(2)</b>	0	
<b>(3)</b> Recordkeeping fees.....	<b>2i(3)</b>	1543	
<b>(4)</b> IQPA audit fees.....	<b>2i(4)</b>	0	
<b>(5)</b> Investment advisory and investment management fees .....	<b>2i(5)</b>	0	
<b>(6)</b> Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....	<b>2i(6)</b>	0	
<b>(7)</b> Actuarial fees .....	<b>2i(7)</b>	0	
<b>(8)</b> Legal fees .....	<b>2i(8)</b>	0	
<b>(9)</b> Valuation/appraisal fees .....	<b>2i(9)</b>	0	
<b>(10)</b> Other trustee fees and expenses .....	<b>2i(10)</b>	0	
<b>(11)</b> Other expenses .....	<b>2i(11)</b>	0	
<b>(12)</b> Total administrative expenses. Add lines <b>2i(1)</b> through <b>(11)</b> .....	<b>2i(12)</b>		1543
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2j</b>		4779061

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line <b>2j</b> from line <b>2d</b> .....	<b>2k</b>		-4476380
<b>l</b> Transfers of assets:			
<b>(1)</b> To this plan .....	<b>2l(1)</b>		0
<b>(2)</b> From this plan .....	<b>2l(2)</b>		0

**Part III Accountant's Opinion**

**3** Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

**a** The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1)  Unmodified (2)  Qualified (3)  Disclaimer (4)  Adverse

**b** Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

(1)  DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2)  DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3)  neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

**c** Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: WHITLEY PENN, LLP

(2) EIN: 75-2393478

**d** The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** as part of Schedule H because:

(1)  This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, DCG or MTIA. (2)  It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

**Part IV Compliance Questions**

**4** CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions).

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
<b>a</b> Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		X	
<b>b</b> Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>c</b> Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>d</b> Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>e</b> Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		500000
<b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
<b>g</b> Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
<b>h</b> Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
<b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
<b>j</b> Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
<b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	X		
<b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
<b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
<b>n</b> If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.		X	

**5a** Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year 0.

**5b** If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)

<b>5b(1)</b> Name of plan(s)	<b>5b(2)</b> EIN(s)	<b>5b(3)</b> PN(s)

**5c** Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) .....  Yes  No  Not determined

If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year \_\_\_\_\_.

<b>SCHEDULE R</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Retirement Plan Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2023</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 05/24/2023

<b>A</b> Name of plan <u>FRANCESCA'S COLLECTIONS, INC. 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>001</u>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>FHC COLLECTIONS, INC. (F/K/A FRANCESCA'S COLLECTIONS, INC.)</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>76-0604665</u>	

<b>Part I</b>	<b>Distributions</b>
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**All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.**

<b>1</b> Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	
<b>2</b> Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): <u>04-6568107</u>		
<b>Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.</b>		
<b>3</b> Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year .....	3	

<b>Part II</b>	<b>Funding Information</b> (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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<b>4</b> Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<b>If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.</b>			
<b>5</b> If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. <b>Date:</b> Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ <b>If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.</b>			
<b>6 a</b> Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived) .....	6a		
<b>b</b> Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year .....	6b		
<b>c</b> Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount) .....	6c		
<b>If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.</b>			
<b>7</b> Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<b>8</b> If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

<b>Part III</b>	<b>Amendments</b>
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<b>9</b> If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box. ....	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease	<input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> No
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<b>Part IV</b>	<b>ESOPs</b> (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
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<b>10</b> Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>11 a</b> Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>b</b> If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.) .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>12</b> Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

**Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

**13** Enter the following information for each employer that (1) contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year or (2) was one of the top-ten highest contributors (measured in dollars). See instructions. Complete as many entries as needed to report all applicable employers.

**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

**b** EIN \_\_\_\_\_ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer \_\_\_\_\_

**d** Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box  and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

**e** Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box  and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Base unit measure:  Hourly  Weekly  Unit of production  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

**b** EIN \_\_\_\_\_ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer \_\_\_\_\_

**d** Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box  and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

**e** Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box  and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Base unit measure:  Hourly  Weekly  Unit of production  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

**b** EIN \_\_\_\_\_ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer \_\_\_\_\_

**d** Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box  and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

**e** Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box  and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Base unit measure:  Hourly  Weekly  Unit of production  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

**b** EIN \_\_\_\_\_ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer \_\_\_\_\_

**d** Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box  and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

**e** Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box  and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Base unit measure:  Hourly  Weekly  Unit of production  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

**b** EIN \_\_\_\_\_ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer \_\_\_\_\_

**d** Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box  and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

**e** Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box  and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Base unit measure:  Hourly  Weekly  Unit of production  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

**b** EIN \_\_\_\_\_ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer \_\_\_\_\_

**d** Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box  and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

**e** Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box  and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Base unit measure:  Hourly  Weekly  Unit of production  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**14** Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:

<b>a</b> The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: <input type="checkbox"/> last contributing employer <input type="checkbox"/> alternative <input type="checkbox"/> reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment) .....	<b>14a</b>	
<b>b</b> The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. <input type="checkbox"/> Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment) .....	<b>14b</b>	
<b>c</b> The second preceding plan year. <input type="checkbox"/> Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment).....	<b>14c</b>	

**15** Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:

<b>a</b> The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year .....	<b>15a</b>	
<b>b</b> The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year .....	<b>15b</b>	

**16** Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:

<b>a</b> Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year .....	<b>16a</b>	
<b>b</b> If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers .....	<b>16b</b>	

**17** If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment.....

**Part VI Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

**18** If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment.....

**19** If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) and (b):

**a** Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:  
 Public Equity: \_\_\_\_\_% Private Equity: \_\_\_\_\_% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: \_\_\_\_\_%  
 High-Yield Debt: \_\_\_\_\_% Real Assets: \_\_\_\_\_% Cash or Cash Equivalents: \_\_\_\_\_% Other: \_\_\_\_\_%

**b** Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets:  
 0-5 years  5-10 years  10-15 years  15 years or more

**20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements.** If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.

**a** Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero?  Yes  No

**b** If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:  
 Yes.  
 No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.  
 No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.  
 No. Other. Provide explanation.....

**Part VII IRS Compliance Questions**

**21a** Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules?  Yes  No

**21b** If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).  
 Design-based safe harbor method  
 "Prior year" ADP test  
 "Current year" ADP test  
 N/A

**22** If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q702438A.

**FRANCESCA'S COLLECTIONS, INC.  
401(k) RETIREMENT PLAN**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**Period from January 1, 2023 through May 24, 2023 and the  
Year Ended December 31, 2022 (in Liquidation)  
with Report of Independent Auditors**

**FRANCESCA’S COLLECTIONS, INC.  
401(k) RETIREMENT PLAN**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**Period from January 1, 2023 through May 24, 2023 and the  
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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

To the Plan Administrator and Participants of the  
Francesca's Collections, Inc. 401(k) Retirement Plan

### Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit

We have performed audits of the financial statements of the Francesca's Collections, Inc. 401(k) Retirement Plan (the "Plan"), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) ("ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit"). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets (in Liquidation) as of May 24, 2023 and December 31, 2022, and the related statements of changes in net assets (in Liquidation) for the period from January 1, 2023 through May 24, 2023 and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements (in Liquidation) (the "financial statements").

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's ("DOL") Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audit need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the Plan ("investment information") by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA ("qualified institution").

Management has obtained certifications from qualified institutions as of May 24, 2023 and December 31, 2022, and for the period from January 1, 2023 through May 24, 2023, and for the year ended December 31, 2022, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note D to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

### Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section:

- The amounts and disclosures in the accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP").

- The information in the accompanying financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAS”). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Management’s election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management’s responsibility for the financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan’s ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current Plan instrument, including all Plan amendments, administering the Plan, and determining that the Plan’s transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the Plan’s provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

### **Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor’s report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of GAAP.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with GAAP.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Other Matters**

##### **Plan Termination and Liquidation Basis of Accounting**

As discussed in the notes to the financial statements, the Plan's sponsor filed for bankruptcy on December 3, 2020, and management determined liquidation of the Plan was imminent. As a result, the Plan's financial statements are presented on the liquidation basis of accounting. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

*Whitley Penn LLP*

Fort Worth, Texas  
January 15, 2024

**FRANCESCA'S COLLECTIONS, INC. 401(k) RETIREMENT PLAN**

**STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS  
(in Liquidation)**

	<b>May 24, 2023</b>	<b>December 31, 2022</b>
<b>Assets</b>		
Investments, at fair value (Note C)	\$ -	\$ 4,476,380
Net assets	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 4,476,380</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**FRANCESCA'S COLLECTIONS, INC. 401(k) RETIREMENT PLAN**

**STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS  
(in Liquidation)**

	<b>Period From January 1, 2023 to May 24, 2023</b>	<b>Year Ended December 31, 2022</b>
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>Additions to (Reductions from) Net Assets</b>		
Investment income:		
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments	\$ 301,177	\$ (1,686,790)
Interest and dividends	1,504	371,414
Total investment income (loss)	<u>302,681</u>	<u>(1,315,376)</u>
 Total additions to (reductions from) net assets	 302,681	 (1,315,376)
 <b>Deductions from Net Assets</b>		
Benefits paid to participants	4,777,518	2,760,610
Administrative expenses	1,543	26,259
Total deductions from net assets	<u>4,779,061</u>	<u>2,786,869</u>
 Net decrease in net assets	 (4,476,380)	 (4,102,245)
 Net assets at beginning of year	 <u>4,476,380</u>	 <u>8,578,625</u>
 Net assets at end of year	 <u><u>\$ -</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 4,476,380</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

## FRANCESCA'S COLLECTIONS, INC. 401(k) RETIREMENT PLAN

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Period from January 1, 2023 through May 24, 2023 and the  
Year Ended December 31, 2022 (in Liquidation)

#### A. Description of the Plan

##### General

The following brief description of the Francesca's Collections, Inc. 401(k) Retirement Plan (the "Plan") is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Plan document for more complete information. The Plan is sponsored by FHC Collections, Inc. (referred to herein alternatively as the "Company" or "Plan Sponsor").

The Plan was effective October 1, 2009, restated most recently effective May 4, 2020, and prior to the Plan Termination Date (as defined below) was a defined contribution plan available to all employees of the Company who had attained age 21 and completed six months of service. All employees of the Company were eligible to participate in the Plan, except for leased employees, union employees, and nonresident aliens. Eligible employees were able to enter the Plan on the first day of each month upon meeting the eligibility requirements. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

The purpose of the Plan was to encourage the Company's employees to save and invest, systematically, a portion of their current compensation so that they and their families may have a source of additional income upon their retirement, or in the event of death.

On December 3, 2020, FHC Holdings Corporation (f/k/a Francesca's Holdings Corporation), along with each of its subsidiaries, including, but not limited to FHC Collections, Inc. (f/k/a Francesca's Collections, Inc.) (the "401(k) Plan Sponsor") (individually and collectively, as debtors-in-possession, the "Debtors") each filed a voluntary petition under chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code (captioned as In re: FHC Holdings Corporation, et al., Case No. 20-13076 (BLS)) (the "Bankruptcy Case") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Bankruptcy Court"). During the initial phase of the Bankruptcy Case, the Debtors sought a buyer for the business operations, and were able to consummate a transaction for substantially all of the Debtors' on-going operations and personnel, which was closed on January 30, 2021.

On July 20, 2021, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order (the "Confirmation Order") confirming the Debtors' plan of liquidation (the "Plan of Liquidation"), which became effective on July 30, 2021 (the "Effective Date"). Pursuant to both the Confirmation Order and the Plan of Liquidation, a Plan Administrator was appointed by the Bankruptcy Court to oversee and administer the final phase of the Bankruptcy Case, including, but not limited to, the wind down and termination of the Plan.

In connection with the 401(k) Plan Sponsor's Bankruptcy Case, the Company formally terminated the Plan on April 30, 2021 (the "Plan Termination Date"). All affected participants became 100% vested in their accounts as of the Plan Termination Date. The description of the Plan below is qualified in its entirety by the Bankruptcy Case and the termination of the Plan.

## FRANCESCA'S COLLECTIONS, INC. 401(k) RETIREMENT PLAN

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

#### **A. Description of the Plan – continued**

##### **Contributions**

Effective as of March 31, 2021, the Company discontinued allowing employee contributions. Up until this date, participants could contribute up to 100% of pre-tax and/or after-tax annual compensation, as defined by the Plan. The maximum contribution allowed by the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") for 2021 was \$19,500. All contributions were subject to limitations on annual additions and other limitations imposed by the Code as defined in the Plan document. Eligible participants could make rollover contributions to the Plan.

Prior to March 31, 2021, participants who were eligible to make salary deferral contributions under the Plan and who had attained age 50 before the close of the year were permitted to make catch-up contributions in accordance with, and subject to the limitations imposed by the Code.

Effective May 6, 2020, the Company suspended all employer contributions. Up until this date, the Company was able to make a safe harbor matching contribution equal to (a) 100% of the first 3% of each participant's pretax contributions, and (b) 50% of each participant's pretax contribution greater than 3% but not more than 5% of eligible compensation. The Company was also permitted to make discretionary profit-sharing contributions to the Plan as determined annually by its Board of Directors. Participants must have been: (1) employed on the last day of the year, and had completed 1,000 hours of service during the year; or (2) have died, retired, or suffered disability during such year to be eligible to receive discretionary matching contributions.

##### **Participant Accounts**

Each participant's account was credited with the participant's contributions and allocations of: (a) the Company's contribution; (b) Plan earnings; and (c) forfeitures of terminated participants' non-vested accounts. Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's account.

##### **Vesting**

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions, the Company's safe harbor matching contributions, and any earnings thereon. The Company's non-safe harbor matching, profit-sharing contributions, and any earnings thereon vest at a rate of 20% per year; therefore, a participant became 100% vested after five years of credited service. Effective April 30, 2021, as part of the Plan termination, active participants became 100% vested in their employer matching contributions.

## FRANCESCA'S COLLECTIONS, INC. 401(k) RETIREMENT PLAN

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

#### **A. Description of the Plan – continued**

##### **Benefit Payments**

Participants withdrawing during the period for reasons of service or disability, retirement, death, or termination are entitled to their vested account balances. Benefits are distributed in the form of rollovers or lump-sum payments. If withdrawing participants are not entitled to their entire account balances, the amounts not received are forfeited.

Up until the Plan Termination Date, certain in-service withdrawals were allowed. A participant could have also elected to withdraw all or a portion of his/her vested account balance while employed after reaching age 59 ½. Up until the Plan Termination Date, a participant could have received a hardship distribution from salary reduction contributions if the distribution was: (1) on account of uninsured medical expenses incurred by the participant, his/her spouse, or dependents; (2) to purchase (excluding mortgage payments) a principal residence of the participant; (3) for the payment of post-secondary tuition expenses; (4) needed to prevent eviction of the participant from his/her principal residence or foreclosure upon the mortgage of the participant's principal residence; (5) payments for burial or funeral expenses for the participant's parent, spouse, children, or dependents; or (6) expenses for the repair of damage to the participant's principal residence that would qualify for the casualty deduction under Code §165. In no case did distributions begin any later than the first day of April following the year in which the participant attained age 70½ or retired, whichever was later.

##### **Forfeitures**

Up until the Plan Termination Date, forfeited balances of terminated participants' non-vested accounts were used to offset employer matching contributions or to pay Plan expenses. As of May 24, 2023 and December 31, 2022, there were no unallocated forfeitures. For the period from January 1, 2023 through May 24, 2023 and for the year ended December 31, 2022, no forfeitures were used to pay Plan expenses or reduce employer contributions.

##### **Investment Options**

Up until the Plan Termination Date, upon enrollment in the Plan, a participant was allowed to direct his/her salary deferrals in 1% increments into any of the Plan's investment options. Participants can move investments between investment options through liquidation of the Plan.

##### **Administrative Expenses**

Administrative expenses consist of transaction-based fees associated with optional services offered under the Plan and are charged directly to participant accounts for particular Plan features that may be available. Certain expenses paid by the Company, such as legal, accounting, and consulting fees associated with the administration of the Plan, are excluded from these financial statements. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation or depreciation in fair value of investments.

## FRANCESCA'S COLLECTIONS, INC. 401(k) RETIREMENT PLAN

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

#### **B. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

##### **Basis of Accounting**

As discussed in Note A, the Plan Sponsor filed a voluntary petition under chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code on December 3, 2020, and determined liquidation and Plan termination was imminent. As a result, the Plan changed its basis of accounting for the period subsequent to December 31, 2019, to the liquidation basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP").

Under the liquidation basis of accounting, assets are measured to reflect the estimated amount of cash expected to be collected in settling or disposing of the assets during the liquidation process, and liabilities are measured using the accrual basis of accounting and would include any expected costs of the disposal of assets and other costs expected to be incurred during the liquidation process. All assets of the Plan were fully liquidated as of May 24, 2023.

##### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the Plan Administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from these estimates.

##### **Contributions**

Contributions from the Company and participants are accrued as they become obligations of the Company, as determined by the Plan Administrator, and in the period in which they are deducted, in accordance with salary deferral agreements.

##### **Investment Valuation and Income**

The investments of the Plan are stated at fair value as of the end of the year and are subject to market or credit risks customarily associated with equity investments. Fair value measurements are determined in accordance with GAAP, which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about assets and liabilities measured at fair value. The Plan's investments include publicly traded mutual funds, and a money market fund, which are valued based on quoted market prices. See Note C for information related to the Plan's valuation methodologies.

Investment gains and losses are accounted for using the average cost basis of the securities sold. The net realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments include realized gains and losses on sales of investments during the year and unrealized increases or decreases in the market value of investments held at year-end. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

##### **Payment of Benefits**

Benefits are recorded when paid.

**FRANCESCA’S COLLECTIONS, INC. 401(k) RETIREMENT PLAN**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**

**C. Fair Value Measurements**

GAAP defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date and establishes a three-tier hierarchy that is used to identify assets and liabilities measured at fair value. The hierarchy focuses on the inputs used to measure fair value. The three levels defined are as follows:

- Level 1 — observable inputs that are based upon quoted market prices for identical assets or liabilities within active markets.
- Level 2 — observable inputs other than Level 1 that are based upon quoted market prices for similar assets or liabilities, based upon quoted prices within inactive markets, or inputs other than quoted market prices that are observable through market data for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.
- Level 3 — inputs that are unobservable for the particular asset or liability due to little or no market activity and are significant to the fair value of the asset or liability. These inputs reflect assumptions that market participants would use when valuing the particular asset or liability.

GAAP requires that management describe the methodologies used to measure the fair value of assets and liabilities. The methodologies used to measure the fair value of the Plan’s investments are as follows:

- *Money Market Fund.* Valued based on the short-term cash component as of the measurement date and classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy.
- *Mutual Funds.* Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

There have been no changes in the methodologies used at May 24, 2023 and December 31, 2022. The following table details the Plan’s investments at fair value by level, within the fair value hierarchy, as of December 31, 2022. There were no investments remaining in the Plan at May 24, 2023. The Plan has no assets classified within Level 2 or Level 3 of the valuation hierarchy.

	<b>December 31, 2022</b>	
	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Total</b>
Mutual funds	\$ 4,328,151	\$ 4,328,151
Money market fund	148,229	148,229
Total investments at fair value	<b>\$ 4,476,380</b>	<b>\$ 4,476,380</b>

## FRANCESCA'S COLLECTIONS, INC. 401(k) RETIREMENT PLAN

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

#### **C. Fair Value Measurements – continued**

These items are classified in their entirety based on the lowest priority level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment and may affect the placement of assets and liabilities within the levels of the fair value hierarchy.

#### **D. Certified Investments**

Certain information related to investments disclosed in the accompanying financial statements, including investments held at December 31, 2022, and net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments, and interest and dividends for the period from January 1, 2023 through May 24, 2023 and for the year ended December 31, 2022, was obtained by the Plan Administrator and agreed to or derived from information certified as complete and accurate by Fidelity Management Trust Company, the “Trustee” of the Plan.

#### **E. Tax Status**

The Plan was amended and restated with the adoption of the Profit Sharing/401(k) Volume Submitter Plan sponsored by Fidelity Management & Research Co (“FMRC”). FMRC has received a favorable advisory letter from the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) dated March 31, 2014, stating that the form of the Volume Submitter Plan, as then designed, is acceptable under Section 401 of the Code.

Once qualified, the Plan is required to operate in conformity with the Code to maintain its qualification. The Company believes that the Plan is being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code and, therefore, believes that the Plan was qualified, and the related trust was tax-exempt as of the financial statement date.

GAAP requires management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan Administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan and has concluded that as of May 24, 2023, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

#### **F. Plan Termination**

Effective April 30, 2021, as described in more detail in Note A, the Company terminated the Plan in connection with the Bankruptcy Case and liquidation of the Debtors. All affected participants became 100% vested in their accounts due to the termination. Participants have the option to transfer their funds to another eligible retirement plan or to take a lump-sum distribution. All assets of the Plan have been fully distributed as of May 24, 2023.

## FRANCESCA'S COLLECTIONS, INC. 401(k) RETIREMENT PLAN

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

#### **G. Parties-in-Interest Transactions**

Party-in-interest transactions include those with fiduciaries or employees of the Plan, any person who provides services to the Plan, an employer whose employees are covered by the Plan, an employee organization whose members are covered by the Plan, a person who owns 50% or more of such an employer or employee organization, or relatives of such persons.

Certain Plan investments are shares of mutual funds and of a money market fund managed by the Trustee, and therefore a party in interest to the Plan. Certain investment management and administrative fees charged by the Trustee are incorporated into each individual investment fund's expense ratio and deducted from the fund's assets, thereby reducing its investment return. These transactions are party-in-interest transactions under ERISA which are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules.

#### **H. Risks and Uncertainties**

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Market risks include global events which could impact the value of investment securities, such as a pandemic or international conflict. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of net assets.

#### **I. Subsequent Events**

In preparing the accompanying financial statements, management has evaluated all subsequent events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through January 15, 2024, the date the financial statements were available for issuance.