

Form 5500

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

2023

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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).

Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.

Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 10/01/2023 and ending 09/30/2024

- A This return/report is for: [] a multiemployer plan [] a multiple-employer plan... [X] a single-employer plan [] a DFE... B This return/report is: [] the first return/report [] the final return/report... C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here... D Check box if filing under: [X] Form 5558 [] automatic extension... 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

1a Name of plan: PARADIES GIFTS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 002
1c Effective date of plan: 01/01/2003
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): PARADIES GIFTS, INC.
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 59-3145872
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 407-290-5288
2d Business code (see instructions): 453220

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.

Table with 4 columns: SIGN HERE, Signature of plan administrator, Date, Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator. Includes rows for employer/plan sponsor and DFE.

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<p>3a Plan administrator's name and address <input type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor</p> <p>PARADIES GIFTS, INC.</p> <p>2305 WEST AIRPORT BLVD SANFORD, FL 32771</p>	<p>3b Administrator's EIN 59-3145872</p> <p>3c Administrator's telephone number 407-290-5288</p>																				
<p>4 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:</p> <p>a Sponsor's name</p> <p>c Plan Name</p>	<p>4b EIN</p> <p>4d PN</p>																				
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<p>6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1), 6a(2), 6b, 6c, and 6d).</p> <p>a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year</p> <p>a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year</p> <p>b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits</p> <p>c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits</p> <p>d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2), 6b, and 6c</p> <p>e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits</p> <p>f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e</p> <p>g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)</p> <p>g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)</p> <p>h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>6a(1)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">74</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6a(2)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">77</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6b</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6c</td> <td style="text-align: right;">71</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6d</td> <td style="text-align: right;">148</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6e</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6f</td> <td style="text-align: right;">148</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6g(1)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">129</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6g(2)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">147</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6h</td> <td style="text-align: right;">8</td> </tr> </table>	6a(1)	74	6a(2)	77	6b	0	6c	71	6d	148	6e	0	6f	148	6g(1)	129	6g(2)	147	6h	8
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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:
2E 2P 2Q 3I

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

<p>9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)</p> <p>(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance</p> <p>(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts</p> <p>(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust</p> <p>(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor</p>	<p>9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)</p> <p>(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance</p> <p>(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts</p> <p>(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust</p> <p>(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor</p>
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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)

- a Pension Schedules**
- (1) **R** (Retirement Plan Information)
 - (2) **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
 - (3) **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
 - (4) **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____
 - (5) **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

- b General Schedules**
- (1) **H** (Financial Information)
 - (2) **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
 - (3) **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 0
 - (4) **C** (Service Provider Information)
 - (5) **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
 - (6) **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

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.

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

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 _____

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Financial Information 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). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 10/01/2023 and ending 09/30/2024	
A Name of plan PARADIES GIFTS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 PARADIES GIFTS, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 59-3145872

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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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.

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
Assets			
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	0	0
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	298	238
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)		
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)	11082377	11925686
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	11082675	11925924
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g	0	0
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i	1597106	1466700
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	1597106	1466700
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	9485569	10459224

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.

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	550132	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)		
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		550132
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		0
(2) Dividends:			
(A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		0
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:			
(A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(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)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	843249	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	2b(10)		
c Other income.....	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		1393381

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	342272	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)		
(3) Other.....	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		342272
f Corrective distributions (see instructions).....	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		
h Interest expense.....	2h		76894
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances.....	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees.....	2i(5)	560	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees.....	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees.....	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees.....	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees.....	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses.....	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses.....	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		560
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		419726

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		973655
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan.....	2l(2)		

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: **BERMAN HOPKINS WRIGHT & LAHAM**

(2) EIN: **59-1152714**

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
a 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 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	
c 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	
d 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	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		1000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
g 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	
h 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	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
j 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	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
n 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.			

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 _____.

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.)

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) 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 _____.

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Retirement Plan Information 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). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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Part I	Distributions
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All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	0
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2 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): 59-3145872

Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.

3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year	3	
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Part II	Funding Information (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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4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? Yes No N/A
If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.

5 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. **Date:** Month _____ Day _____ Year _____
If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.

6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)	6a	
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year	6b	
c 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	

If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.

7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline? Yes No N/A

8 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? Yes No N/A

Part III	Amendments
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9 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. Increase Decrease Both No

Part IV	ESOPs (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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10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?..... Yes No

11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? Yes No

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.) Yes No

12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? Yes 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 _____

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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:

a 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)	14a	
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)	14b	
c 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).....	14c	

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:

a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	15a	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15b	

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

a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year	16a	
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	16b	

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 Q703995A.

**PARADIES GIFTS, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK
OWNERSHIP PLAN**

**Financial Statements and
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**Schedule H, Part III, Question 3a Attachment
Paradies Gifts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan
Federal ID #59-3145872
Plan #002**

**PARADIES GIFTS, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Plan Administrator
Paradies Gifts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan
Orlando, Florida

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Paradies Gifts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the "Plan"), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the plan year ended September 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets available for benefits for the plan year ended September 30, 2024, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audits of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other 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 audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, 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.

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 the financial statements are available to be 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 Audits of the Financial Statements

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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 generally accepted auditing standards, we:

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

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

Other Matter - Supplementary Information Required by ERISA

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.

In forming our opinion on the supplementary information, we evaluated whether the supplementary information, including their form and content, are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion, the information in the accompanying supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole, and the form and content are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

July 11, 2025
Melbourne, Florida

*Berman Hopkins Wright &
Latham, CPAs and Associates, LLP*

Paradies Gifts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

September 30,

	2024			2023		
	Allocated	Unallocated	Total	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
ASSETS						
Cash	\$ 238	\$ -	\$ 238	\$ 298	\$ -	\$ 298
Investments:						
Investment in Paradies Gifts, Inc. common stock, at fair value	8,454,851	3,470,835	11,925,686	7,488,360	3,594,017	11,082,377
Receivables:						
Employer contributions	-	-	-	292,734	-	292,734
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>8,455,089</u>	<u>3,470,835</u>	<u>11,925,924</u>	<u>7,781,392</u>	<u>3,594,017</u>	<u>11,375,409</u>
LIABILITIES						
Benefit claims payable	-	-	-	292,734	-	292,734
Loan payable	-	1,466,700	1,466,700	-	1,597,106	1,597,106
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,466,700</u>	<u>1,466,700</u>	<u>292,734</u>	<u>1,597,106</u>	<u>1,889,840</u>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	<u>\$ 8,455,089</u>	<u>\$ 2,004,135</u>	<u>\$ 10,459,224</u>	<u>\$ 7,488,658</u>	<u>\$ 1,996,911</u>	<u>\$ 9,485,569</u>

See notes to financial statements.

Paradies Gifts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

For the year ended September 30, 2024

	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Unallocated</u>	<u>Total</u>
ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO			
Investment income (loss):			
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of common stock of Paradies Gifts, Inc.	\$ 912,096	\$ (68,787)	\$ 843,309
Other	(60)	-	(60)
Total investment income	<u>912,036</u>	<u>(68,787)</u>	<u>843,249</u>
Employer contributions	-	550,132	550,132
Allocation of 33.2616 shares of common stock of Paradies Gifts, Inc., at fair value	396,667	-	396,667
Total contributions	<u>396,667</u>	<u>550,132</u>	<u>946,799</u>
Total additions	<u>1,308,703</u>	<u>481,345</u>	<u>1,790,048</u>
DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO			
Benefits paid to participants	342,272	-	342,272
Allocation of 33.2616 shares of common stock of Paradies Gifts, Inc., at fair value	-	396,667	396,667
Interest expense	-	76,894	76,894
Administrative expenses	-	560	560
Total deductions	<u>342,272</u>	<u>474,121</u>	<u>816,393</u>
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	966,431	7,224	973,655
Net assets available for benefits at beginning of the year	7,488,658	1,996,911	9,485,569
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AT END OF THE YEAR	<u>\$ 8,455,089</u>	<u>\$ 2,004,135</u>	<u>\$ 10,459,224</u>

See notes to financial statements.

Paradies Gifts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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NOTE A - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of Paradies Gifts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

Paradies Gifts, Inc. (the "Company") established the Plan effective on January 1, 2003. The Plan purchased common shares of the Company from the previous owners, and holds the stock in a trust established under the Plan. The borrowing is to be repaid over a period of thirty years. As the Plan makes each payment of principal and interest, an appropriate percentage of stock will be allocated to eligible employees' accounts in accordance with applicable regulations under the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code"). Shares begin vesting according to the vesting policy of the Plan described in Note A-4.

The borrowing is collateralized by the unallocated shares of common stock. The lender has no rights against shares once they are allocated under the provisions of the ESOP. Accordingly, the financial statements of the Plan as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, and for the plan year ended September 30, 2024 present separately the assets and liabilities and changes therein pertaining to:

1. The accounts of employees with vested rights in allocated common stock (Allocated) and
2. Common stock not yet allocated to employees (Unallocated).

The Plan invests primarily in Company stock and is designed to comply with Internal Revenue Code Section 4975(e)(7) and the regulations thereunder of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) of 1986, as amended and is also subject to the applicable provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA").

1. Eligibility

Employees of the Company are generally eligible to participate in the Plan following completion of one year of service providing they worked at least 1,000 hours by the end of their first twelve consecutive months of employment and have attained age 21. Participants who are not employed on the last day of the Plan year or who have not worked at least 1,000 hours of service during the Plan year are generally not eligible for an allocation of Company contributions or a reallocation of forfeitures for such year.

2. Contributions

The Company is obligated to make contributions in cash to the Plan which, when aggregated with the Plan's dividends and interest earnings, equal the amount necessary to enable the Plan to make its regularly scheduled payments of principal and interest due on its term loans. Employees are not permitted to make contributions.

Paradies Gifts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

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NOTE A - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (continued)

3. Participant accounts

The Plan is a defined contribution plan under which a separate individual account is established for each participant. Each participant's account is credited as of the last day of each Plan year with an allocation of shares of the Company's common stock released by the Trustee from the unallocated account and forfeitures of terminated participants' non vested accounts. Only those participants who are eligible employees of the Company as of the last day of the Plan year will receive an allocation. Allocations are based on a participant's eligible compensation, relative to total eligible compensation. Plan earnings are allocated to each participant's account based on the ratio of the participant's beginning of the year account balance to all participants' beginning of the year account balances.

4. Vesting

A participant begins to vest after their first year of service (20%) and will be fully vested after five years of service. A year of service is earned when a participant works more than 1,000 hours in a calendar year.

5. Payments of benefits

In the event of a participant's attainment normal retirement, disability or death, the participant is considered 100% vested and distribution of his or her Plan benefit will commence during the Plan year following the Plan year in which his or her normal retirement, disability or death occurs. If a participant terminates service for any other reason, the participant will be entitled to receive only the vested percentage of his or her account balance and the remainder will be forfeited. The distribution will begin no later than the sixth Plan year following the Plan year in which his or her service terminates.

Payment of a participant's nonforfeitable benefits shall be paid under one, or any combination, of the following methods:

- a. A lump sum amount equal to the value of his or her account,
- b. Substantially equal annual installments over a period not to exceed five years, or over a period not to exceed the beneficiary's assumed life expectancy, if elected, or
- c. Any combination of the foregoing.

In the case of any distributable event, if the participant's vested balance in his or her account does not exceed \$1,000, the vested balance will be paid in cash as soon as administratively feasible on or after the anniversary date coinciding with or next following termination of employment.

Paradies Gifts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

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NOTE A - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (continued)

5. Payments of benefits (continued)

Under the provisions of the Plan, the Company is obligated to repurchase participant shares which have been distributed under the terms of the Plan as long as the shares are not publicly traded or if the shares are subject to trading limitations. During 2024 and 2023, there were no shares repurchased by the Company from participants.

6. Forfeitures

Employer contributions and Plan forfeitures are allocated to each participant's account based upon the relation of the participant's compensation to total compensation for the Plan year. Forfeiture of terminated participants' nonvested accounts allocated to remaining participants amounted to \$0 and \$127,260 for the plan years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. There were no unallocated forfeitures as of September 30, 2024 and 2023.

7. Diversification

Diversification is offered to participants close to retirement so they may have the opportunity to move part of the value of their investment in Company stock into investments which are more diversified. Participants who are at least age 55 with at least 10 years of participation in the Plan may elect to diversify a portion of their account. Diversification is offered to each eligible participant over a six year period. In each of the first five years, a participant may diversify up to 25% of the number of post-1986 shares allocated to his or her account, less any shares previously diversified. In the sixth year, the percentage changes to 50%. Terminated participants who elect to diversify will receive a cash distribution. Participants eligible to diversify make their election after year-end based on the number of shares of employer's stock held in their account at year-end. Active participants will be able to elect to diversify through cash distribution.

8. Voting rights

Each participant is entitled to exercise voting rights attributable to the shares allocated to his or her account and is notified by the Trustee prior to the time that such rights are to be exercised. The Trustee is not permitted to vote any allocated share for which instructions have not been given by a participant. The Trustee is required, however, to vote any unallocated shares on behalf of the collective best interest of plan participants and beneficiaries.

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NOTE A - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (continued)

9. Put option

Under Federal income tax regulations, the employer stock that is held by the Plan and its participants and is not readily tradable on an established market, or is subject to trading limitations, includes a put option. The put option is a right to demand that the Company buy any shares of its stock distributed to participants for which there is no market. The put price is representative of the current appraised value of the stock. The Company can pay for the purchase with interest over a period not to exceed five years. The purpose of the put option is to ensure that the participant has the ability to ultimately obtain cash.

NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared under the accrual method of accounting.

2. Valuation of investments and income recognition

The common stock of the Company is valued by independent appraisals on an annual basis. The fair value at September 30, 2024 and 2023 was \$11,925 and \$11,082 per share respectively. For purposes of determining basis for realized and unrealized gains and losses, fair value at the beginning of the period is used. See fair value measurements disclosure.

Dividend income is accrued on the ex-dividend date.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Realized gains and losses from security transactions are reported on the average cost method. Net appreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

3. Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America requires management and the Plan administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

4. Payments of benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Paradies Gifts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

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NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

5. Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses are absorbed primarily by the Plan sponsor.

6. Allocations

The financial statement of the Plan present separately the assets and liabilities and changes therein pertaining to (a) the accounts of employees with rights in allocated stock ("allocated") and (b) stock not yet allocated to employees ("unallocated"), including shares that are committed to be released. Shares are released from collateral and become allocated generally in the period in which debt service is actually paid

NOTE C - INCOME TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated May 5, 2014 that the Plan is qualified and the trust established under the Plan is tax-exempt, under the appropriate section of the Internal Revenue Code. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Plan administrator believes the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, they believe that the Plan was qualified and the related trust was tax-exempt as of the financial statement date.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the plan administrator to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability for any uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by tax authorities; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

NOTE D - ADMINISTRATION OF PLAN ASSETS

The Plan's assets, which consist principally of the Company's common shares, are held by the Trustee of the Plan.

Company contributions are held and managed by the Trustee, which invests cash received, interest and dividend income and make distributions to participants. The Trustee also administers the payment of interest and principal on the loan, which is reimbursed to the Trustee through contributions as determined by the Company.

Certain administrative functions are performed by officers or employees of the Company. No such officer or employee receives compensation from the Plan. Administrative expenses for the Trustee's fees are paid directly by the Company.

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NOTE E - INVESTMENTS

All investments of the Plan are nonparticipant-directed. Investments at September 30, 2024 and 2023 are as follows:

	2024		2023	
	Allocated	Unallocated	Allocated	Unallocated
Paradise Gifts, Inc. common stock				
Number of shares	709	291	676	324
Cost	\$ 2,596,310	\$ 1,065,822	\$ 2,474,501	\$ 1,187,630
Fair value	\$ 8,454,851	\$ 3,470,835	\$ 7,488,360	\$ 3,594,017

NOTE F - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The fair value measurement accounting literature establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. This hierarchy consists of three broad levels: Level 1 inputs consist of unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and have the highest priority. Level 2 inputs consist of observable inputs other than quoted prices for identical assets (Level 1). Level 3 inputs are unobservable and have the lowest priority. The Plan uses appropriate valuation techniques based on the available inputs to measure the fair value of its investments. When available, the Plan measures fair value using Level 1 inputs because they generally provide the most reliable evidence of fair value. Level 2 inputs are used for investments for which Level 1 inputs were not available. Level 3 inputs would only be used if Level 1 or Level 2 inputs were not available.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value.

Sponsor Company Common Stock: The fair value of the sponsor company common stock is determined by an annual valuation performed by an independent appraiser. These valuations were based on a combination of the market and income valuation approaches consistent with prior years. The appraiser took into account historical and projected cash flow and net earnings, weighted average cost of capital, market comparables, and applicable discounts and premiums.

The Trustee determines the fair value measurement policies and procedures in consultation with the Company's chief financial officer. Those policies and procedures are reassessed at least annually to determine if the current valuation techniques are still appropriate. At that time, the unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurements are evaluated and adjusted, as necessary, based on current market conditions and other third-party information.

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NOTE F - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

The following tables sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of September 30, 2024 and 2023. The carrying value of cash approximates fair value.

	<u>2024</u>			
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Assets:				
Sponsor company				
common stock	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,925,686	\$ 11,925,686

	<u>2023</u>			
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Assets:				
Sponsor company				
common stock	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,082,377	\$ 11,082,377

The Plan's policy is to recognize transfers between Levels 1 and 2 and into and out of Level 3 as of the date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer. For the plan year ended September 30, 2024, there were no significant transfers between levels 1 and 2 and no transfers into or out of Level 3.

The following table represents changes in the Plan's Level 3 investment assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the plan years ending September 30,

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>Employer securities</u>	<u>Employer securities</u>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 11,082,377	\$ 11,082,377
Total gains or losses included in changes in net assets available for benefits	843,309	-
Balance, end of year	\$ 11,925,686	\$ 11,082,377

Gains and losses included in changes in net assets available for benefits for the plan year ended September 30, 2024 are reported in net appreciation in fair value of investments.

NOTE G - LOAN PAYABLE

On May 1, 2003, the Plan entered into a \$3,218,000 term loan agreement with a related party. The proceeds of the loan were used to purchase the Plan Sponsor Company's common stock. The loan is payable in annual installments of approximately \$208,000 including interest at 5% per annum through June 1, 2033.

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NOTE G - LOAN PAYABLE (continued)

Unallocated shares are collateral for the loan. Shares are released from collateral and allocated to participants when principal and interest payments are made. The number of shares released in any year is the number of shares held as collateral, multiplied by the ratio of the current year payments, divided by the total of this year's payments, plus all future years' principal and interest payments. This resulted in 33 shares being released and allocated for the plan year ended September 30, 2024.

The following is a schedule of maturities of the loan for each of the plan years ending September 30,

2025	\$	138,221
2026		145,293
2027		152,726
2028		160,540
2029		168,754
2030 and thereafter		701,166
		<u>701,166</u>
	\$	<u>1,466,700</u>

NOTE H - PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants would become 100% vested in their accounts and the interest of each participant in the trust fund will be distributed to such participant or his/her beneficiary at the time prescribed by the Plan terms and the IRC. Upon termination of the Plan, the Trustees will pay all liabilities and expenses of the trust fund and to sell shares of financed stock held in the loan suspense account to the extent it determines such sale to be necessary in order to repay the loan.

NOTE I - RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan's investments consist primarily of the Company's common stock, which is exposed to various risks such as interest rates, market and credit risks, as well as valuation assumptions based on earnings and cash flows. Due to the level of risk associated with investment in common stock and to uncertainties inherent in the estimations and assumptions process, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the value of the common stock will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

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NOTE J - RELATED PARTY AND PARTY IN INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

The Plan invests in Company common stock and has indebtedness guaranteed by the Company. These are related party and party-in-interest transactions. As described in Note B, the Company pays the expenses of the Plan. The Plan has a number of service providers. Such parties are parties-in-interest under ERISA.

NOTE K - RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO SCHEDULE H OF FORM 5500

The financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting while the Form 5500 is prepared on a modified cash basis of accounting. As such, certain receivables and liabilities are recognized in the financial statements in a different period than they are recognized in the Form 5500. Total assets, liabilities, and net assets available for benefits of the Plan reconcile fully once these timing differences are taken into consideration.

NOTE L - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Plan Administrator has evaluated subsequent events through the date noted on the Independent Auditor's Report, the date the financial statements were available to be issued and has determined that no material transactions have occurred that would warrant additional adjustment or disclosure in the financial statements.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Paradies Gifts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

**SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
 FEDERAL ID #59-3145872, Plan #002
 Attachment to 2023 Form 5500**

September 30, 2024

(a)	(b) Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
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	SunTrust Bank	Cash	-	238
			<u>\$ 3,662,132</u>	<u>\$ 11,925,924</u>

* Denotes Party-in-Interest

See independent auditor's report.

Paradies Gifts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

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September 30, 2024

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