

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN ENTERTAINMENT CORP. REPORTS FISCAL 2025 FIRST QUARTER RESULTS

NEW YORK, N.Y., November 8, 2024 - Madison Square Garden Entertainment Corp. (NYSE: MSGE) ("MSG Entertainment" or the "Company") today reported financial results for the fiscal first quarter ended September 30, 2024.

Since the start of fiscal 2025, the Madison Square Garden Arena ("The Garden") has hosted a record number of concerts for a fiscal first quarter and, last month, welcomed back the New York Knicks ("Knicks") and the New York Rangers ("Rangers") for the start of their 2024-25 regular seasons at The Garden. Later today, the *Christmas Spectacular* production kicks off its 2024 holiday season at Radio City Music Hall with 199 performances currently on-sale as compared to 193 shows in fiscal 2024. In addition, new sales and renewal activity in the Company's premium hospitality business remains strong, while the Company also recently announced new multi-year sponsorship deals with Lenovo and its subsidiary Motorola Mobility and the Department of Culture and Tourism – Abu Dhabi, as well as a multi-year extension of its sponsorship deal with Verizon.

For the fiscal 2025 first quarter, the Company reported revenues of \$138.7 million, a decrease of \$3.5 million, or 2%, as compared to the prior year quarter. In addition, the Company reported an operating loss of \$18.5 million, an improvement of \$14.9 million, or 45%, and adjusted operating income of \$1.9 million, an increase of \$2.1 million, both as compared to the prior year quarter.⁽¹⁾

Executive Chairman and CEO James L. Dolan said, "With fiscal '25 underway, we expect our portfolio of assets and brands to continue benefiting from demand for shared experiences, including this year's *Christmas Spectacular* production. Looking ahead, we remain confident in the strength of our Company and believe we are well positioned to generate long-term value for our shareholders."

Results for the Three Months Ended September 30, 2024 and 2023:

		Three Months Ended					
	Se	September 30,			Change		
\$ millions	202	2024 2023		\$		%	
Revenues	\$ 13	88.7 \$	142.2	\$	(3.5)	(2)%	
Operating Loss	\$ (1	8.5) \$	(33.4)	\$	14.9	45 %	
Adjusted Operating Income (Loss)(1)	\$	1.9 \$	(0.2)	\$	2.1	NM	

Note: Amounts may not foot due to rounding. NM - Absolute percentages greater than 200% and comparisons from positive to negative values or to zero values are not considered meaningful.

⁽¹⁾ See page 3 of this earnings release for the definition of adjusted operating income (loss) ("AOI") included in the discussion of non-GAAP financial measures. During the fiscal 2024 third quarter, the Company amended this definition so that the non-cash portion of operating lease revenue related to the Company's Arena License Agreements with Madison Square Garden Sports Corp. ("MSG Sports") is no longer excluded in all periods presented. For the three months ended September 30, 2024 and the three months ended September 30, 2023, the non-cash portion of operating lease revenue was \$0.5 million.

Entertainment Offerings, Arena License Fees and Other Leasing

Fiscal 2025 first quarter revenues from entertainment offerings of \$115.1 million decreased \$1.4 million, or 1%, as compared to the prior year period, primarily due to lower event-related revenues.

Event-related revenues decreased \$1.5 million, primarily due to lower revenues from concerts. This reflects lower per-concert revenues primarily due to a shift in the mix of events at The Garden from promoted events to rentals and a decrease in the number of concerts at the Company's theaters, partially offset by an increase in the number of concerts at The Garden.

Fiscal 2025 first quarter arena license fees and other leasing revenues of \$4.7 million increased \$2.2 million, or 90%, as compared to the prior year period, due to an increase in other leasing revenues.

Fiscal 2025 first quarter direct operating expenses associated with entertainment offerings, arena license fees and other leasing of \$86.5 million decreased \$4.1 million, or 5%, as compared to the prior year quarter, primarily due to lower event-related expenses of \$3.5 million. The decrease in event-related expenses was primarily due to lower expenses from concerts, mainly driven by lower per-concert expenses due to a shift in the mix of events at The Garden from promoted events to rentals, partially offset by an increase in the number of events at The Garden.

Food, Beverage and Merchandise

Fiscal 2025 first quarter food, beverage and merchandise revenues of \$19.0 million decreased \$4.3 million, or 18%, as compared to the prior year period. This was primarily due to lower food and beverage sales at concerts held at the Company's venues as compared to the prior year quarter, primarily due to lower per-concert food and beverage revenues and, to a lesser extent, the decrease in the number of events at the Company's theaters, partially offset by the increase the number of events at The Garden.

Fiscal 2025 first quarter food, beverage and merchandise direct operating expenses of \$11.2 million increased \$0.1 million, or 1%, as compared to the prior year period.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Fiscal 2025 first quarter selling, general and administrative expenses of \$45.7 million decreased \$3.1 million, or 6%, as compared to the prior year period. The decrease was primarily due to (i) lower professional fees, mainly due to the absence of non-recurring costs incurred by the Company in the prior year period in connection with the registration and sale of the Company's Class A common stock by Sphere Entertainment Co.; (ii) a decrease in employee compensation and benefits; and (iii) lower other costs, all as compared to the prior year period. These decreases were partially offset by higher rent expense as compared to the prior year period.

Operating Loss and Adjusted Operating Income (Loss)

Fiscal 2025 first quarter operating loss of \$18.5 million improved \$14.9 million, or 45%, as compared to the prior year period, primarily due to lower restructuring charges and, to a lesser extent, the decrease in direct operating expenses and selling, general and administrative expenses, partially offset by the decrease in revenues. Fiscal 2025 first quarter adjusted operating income of \$1.9 million increased \$2.1 million as compared to the prior year quarter, primarily due to lower direct operating expenses and selling, general and administrative expenses (excluding merger, spin-off and acquisition-related costs), partially offset by the decrease in revenues.

About Madison Square Garden Entertainment Corp.

Madison Square Garden Entertainment Corp. (MSG Entertainment) is a leader in live entertainment, delivering unforgettable experiences while forging deep connections with diverse and passionate audiences. The Company's portfolio includes a collection of world-renowned venues – New York's Madison Square Garden, The Theater at Madison Square Garden, Radio City Music Hall, and Beacon Theatre; and The Chicago Theatre – that showcase a broad array of sporting events, concerts, family shows, and special events for millions of guests annually. In addition, the Company features the original production, the Christmas Spectacular Starring the Radio City Rockettes, which has been a holiday tradition for more than 90 years. More information is available at www.msgentertainment.com.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

During the fiscal 2024 third quarter the Company amended its definition of adjusted operating income so that the impact of the non-cash portion of operating lease revenue related to the Company's Arena License Agreements with MSG Sports is no longer excluded in all periods presented.

We define adjusted operating income (loss), which is a non-GAAP financial measure, as operating income (loss) excluding (i) depreciation, amortization and impairments of property and equipment, goodwill and other intangible assets, (ii) share-based compensation expense or benefit, (iii) restructuring charges or credits, (iv) merger, spin-off, and acquisition-related costs, including merger-related litigation expenses, (v) gains or losses on sales or dispositions of businesses and associated settlements, (vi) the impact of purchase accounting adjustments related to business acquisitions, (vii) amortization for capitalized cloud computing arrangement costs and (viii) gains and losses related to the remeasurement of liabilities under the executive deferred compensation plan. We believe that the exclusion of share-based compensation expense or benefit allows investors to better track the performance of the various operating units of our business without regard to the settlement of an obligation that is not expected to be made in cash. We eliminate merger, spin-off, and acquisition-related costs, when applicable, because the Company does not consider such costs to be indicative of the ongoing operating performance of the Company as they result from an event that is of a non-recurring nature, thereby enhancing comparability. In addition, management believes that the exclusion of gains and losses related to the remeasurement of liabilities under the executive deferred compensation plan, provides investors with a clearer picture of the Company's operating performance given that, in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, gains and losses related to the remeasurement of liabilities under the executive deferred compensation plan are recognized in Operating (income) loss whereas gains and losses related to the remeasurement of the assets under the executive deferred compensation plan, which are equal to and therefore fully offset the gains and losses related to the remeasurement of liabilities, are recognized in Other income (expense), net, which is not reflected in Operating income (loss).

We believe adjusted operating income (loss) is an appropriate measure for evaluating the operating performance of the Company on a consolidated and combined basis. Adjusted operating income (loss) and similar measures with similar titles are common performance measures used by investors and analysts to analyze our performance. Internally, we use revenues and adjusted operating income (loss) as the most important indicators of our business performance, and evaluate management's effectiveness with specific reference to these indicators. Adjusted operating income (loss) should be viewed as a supplement to and not a substitute for operating income (loss), net income (loss), cash flows from operating activities, and other measures of performance and/or liquidity presented in accordance with GAAP. Since adjusted operating income (loss) is not a measure of performance calculated in accordance with GAAP, this measure may not be comparable to similar measures with similar titles used by other companies. For a reconciliation of operating income (loss) to adjusted operating income (loss), please see page 5 of this release.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may contain statements that constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Investors are cautioned that any such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance or results and involve risks and uncertainties, and that actual results, developments or events may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including financial community perceptions of the Company and its business, operations, financial condition and the industries in which it operates and the factors described in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the sections titled "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" contained therein. The Company disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements contained herein.

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Conference Call Information:

The conference call will be Webcast live today at 8:30 a.m. ET at investor.msgentertainment.com
Conference call dial-in number is 888-660-6386 / Conference ID Number 8020251
Conference call replay number is 800-770-2030 / Conference ID Number 8020251 until November 15, 2024
Investor presentation available at investor.msgentertainment.com/events-and-presentations

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(in thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

(=======	Three Months Ended September 30,			
		2024		2023
Revenues				
Revenues from entertainment offerings	\$	115,081	\$	116,505
Food, beverage, and merchandise revenues		18,975		23,261
Arena license fees and other leasing revenue		4,658		2,446
Total revenues		138,714		142,212
Direct operating expenses				
Entertainment offerings, arena license fees, and other leasing direct operating expenses		(86,466)		(90,559)
Food, beverage, and merchandise direct operating expenses		(11,243)		(11,118)
Total direct operating expenses		(97,709)		(101,677)
Selling, general, and administrative expenses		(45,746)		(48,822)
Depreciation and amortization		(13,781)		(13,585)
Restructuring credits (charges)		40		(11,553)
Operating loss		(18,482)		(33,425)
Interest income		372		851
Interest expense		(14,043)		(14,287)
Other expense, net		(769)		(4,469)
Loss from operations before income taxes		(32,922)		(51,330)
Income tax benefit		13,601		659
Net loss	\$	(19,321)	\$	(50,671)
Loss per share attributable to MSG Entertainment's stockholders:				
Basic and diluted	\$	(0.40)	\$	(1.00)
Weighted-average number of shares of common stock:				
Basic and diluted		48,217		50,437

ADJUSTMENTS TO RECONCILE OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO ADJUSTED OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)

(in thousands) (Unaudited)

The following is a description of the adjustments to operating loss in arriving at adjusted operating income (loss) as described in this earnings release:

- <u>Depreciation and amortization.</u> This adjustment eliminates depreciation and amortization of property and equipment and intangible assets.
- <u>Share-based compensation</u>. This adjustment eliminates the compensation expense relating to restricted stock units and stock options granted under the Company's Employee Stock Plan and the Company's Non-Employee Director Plan.
- Restructuring charges. This adjustment eliminates costs related to termination benefits provided to certain corporate
 executives and employees.
- <u>Merger, spin-off, and acquisition-related costs.</u> This adjustment eliminates costs related to mergers, spin-offs and acquisitions, including merger-related litigation expenses.
- <u>Amortization for capitalized cloud computing arrangement costs.</u> This adjustment eliminates amortization of capitalized cloud computing arrangement costs.
- Remeasurement of deferred compensation plan liabilities. This adjustment eliminates the impact of gains and losses related to the remeasurement of liabilities under the executive deferred compensation plan.

	Three Months Ended September 30,				
\$ thousands		2024		2023	
Operating loss	\$	(18,482)	\$	(33,425)	
Depreciation and amortization		13,781		13,585	
Share-based compensation (excluding share-based compensation included in restructuring charges)		6,262		6,177	
Restructuring (credits) charges		(40)		11,553	
Merger, spin-off, and acquisition-related costs (1)		_		2,035	
Amortization for capitalized cloud computing arrangement costs		168		_	
Remeasurement of deferred compensation plan liabilities		220		(145)	
Adjusted operating income (loss) (2)	\$	1,909	\$	(220)	

This adjustment represents non-recurring costs incurred and paid by the Company for the sale of the retained interest by Sphere Entertainment Co.

During the fiscal 2024 third quarter the Company amended the definition of adjusted operating income so that the non-cash portion of operating lease revenue related to the Company's Arena License Agreements with MSG Sports is no longer excluded in all periods presented. Pursuant to GAAP, recognition of operating lease revenue is recorded on a straight-line basis over the term of the agreement based upon the value of total future payments under the arrangement. As a result, operating lease revenue is comprised of a contractual cash component plus or minus a non-cash component for each period presented. Adjusted operating income includes operating lease revenue of (i) \$854 and \$829 of revenue collected in cash for the three months ended September 30, 2024 and September 30, 2023, respectively, and (ii) a non-cash portion of \$470 and \$495 for the three months ended September 30, 2023, respectively.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	Se	ptember 30, 2024	June 30, 2024	
ASSETS				
Current Assets:				
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	\$	37,613	\$	33,555
Accounts receivable, net		95,525		77,259
Related party receivables, current		20,768		17,469
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		106,490		90,801
Total current assets		260,396		219,084
Non-Current Assets:				
Property and equipment, net		642,338		633,533
Right-of-use lease assets		391,058		388,658
Goodwill		69,041		69,041
Indefinite-lived intangible assets		63,801		63,801
Deferred tax assets, net		81,733		68,307
Other non-current assets		101,960		110,283
Total assets	\$	1,610,327	\$	1,552,707
LIABILITIES AND DEFICIT				
Current Liabilities:				
Accounts payable, accrued and other current liabilities	\$	159,261	\$	203,750
Related party payables, current		43,671		42,506
Long-term debt, current		20,313		16,250
Operating lease liabilities, current		27,014		27,736
Deferred revenue		270,955		215,581
Total current liabilities		521,214		505,823
Non-Current Liabilities:				
Long-term debt, net of deferred financing costs		646,975		599,248
Operating lease liabilities, non-current		451,071		427,014
Other non-current liabilities		39,765		43,787
Total liabilities		1,659,025		1,575,872
Commitments and contingencies				
Deficit:				
Class A Common Stock (a)		460		456
Class B Common Stock (b)		69		69
Additional paid-in-capital		26,909		33,481
Treasury stock at cost (4,365 shares outstanding as of September 30, 2024 and June 30, 2024)		(140,512)		(140,512)
Retained earnings		96,282		115,603
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(31,906)		(32,262)
Total deficit		(48,698)		(23,165)
Total liabilities and deficit	\$	1,610,327	\$	1,552,707

⁽a) Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share, 120,000 shares authorized; 45,958 and 45,556 shares issued as of September 30, 2024 and June 30, 2024, respectively. (b) Class B Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share, 30,000 shares authorized; 6,867 shares issued as of September 30, 2024 and June 30, 2024.

SELECTED CASH FLOW INFORMATION

(in thousands) (Unaudited)

Three Months Ended September 30.

	September 30,			
		2024		2023
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	\$	(27,359)	\$	1,378
Net cash used in investing activities		(6,690)		(55,490)
Net cash provided by financing activities		38,107		9,273
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash		4,058		(44,839)
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, beginning of period		33,555		84,355
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, end of period	\$	37,613	\$	39,516
Net cash provided by financing activities Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, beginning of period	\$	38,107 4,058 33,555	\$	9,273 (44,839 84,355