SITE-BASED AND EXPERIENTIAL ENTERTAINMENT **OFFERS RECESSION RESILIENCE**

Demand for site-based and experiential entertainment is at record levels, driven by shifting consumer dollars toward experiences. Operators reported record first quarter performance as consumers look for experiential entertainment both close to home and via traditional travel / leisure. The Fourth of July weekend marks a recent travel high, with air travel reaching levels not seen since 2019. High inflation and rising transportation/lodging costs, however, are causing consumers to rethink how they spend their money. Consumers are postponing vacation plans in the back-half of the year and shifting their budgets toward more affordable entertainment alternatives closer to home. For example, flight searches on Kayak are already down 13% in June⁽¹⁾ despite record travel numbers. Local venues offering social competitive activities surrounded by affordable food and beverage are expected to outperform during Q3 and Q4.

86%	40%	~13%
Of consumers	Of Americans	Growth in local
expect to alter	are considering	entertainment
their consumption	cancelling a trip or	spending during
patterns due to	vacation if higher	the 2008 Financial
inflation ⁽²⁾	prices persist ⁽³⁾	Crisis ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾

YEAR-OVER-YEAR PRICE CHANGE PERCENTAGE⁽⁶⁾

Close-to-home, affordable entertainment has seen fewer price increases than lodging and travel related expenses



"If you have inflation, high gas prices... it's easiest for [consumers] to spend close to home. Not getting on an airplane ... not paying exorbitant hotel prices... not getting in the car and traveling long distances"

- Tom Shannon, Bowlero Chief Executive Officer

"Being the close to home, high value, low-cost alternative makes the largely distributed, high unit count bowling business a great place to be in times of economic dislocation."

"[During the financial crisis] AMF Bowling center business only saw revenue declines in the low single digits... The revenue resilience of the bowling businesses is extremely high"

- Brett Parker, Bowlero Chief Financial Officer

RECESSION RESILIENCE

Close to home, affordable, high value activities have generally responded well to economic downturns. When budgets are restricted, consumers are forced to make sacrifices on spending habits. Larger expenses such as luxury goods or indulgences are scaled back, while consumers increase spending at affordable, local and convenient entertainment alternatives.

Movie theatres, bowling alleys, arcades and mini golf courses have historically performed well in past recessions. Consumers still need to get out of their homes to have experiences with friends and family during economic downturns, with budgets shifting toward more frequent alternatives and away from one-time expensive and extravagant travel outlays. Coming out of a pandemic filled with extended periods of isolation, consumers are participating in the "Great Resurfacing" - showing eagerness to return to venues and live events. As economic uncertainty rises, site-based and experiential entertainment venues are well-positioned to weather any oncoming storm by capitalizing on shifting consumer preferences and capturing discretionary spending originally earmarked for large leisure travel.

1. The Washington Post; 2. Ipsos, 2022; 3. CNBC & Momentive, 2022; 4. White Hutchinson; 5. Time period defined as 2008-2009; 6. NerdWallet.

This document is for marketing purposes only. It has been prepared by personnel of Solomon Partners Securities LLC ("Solomon Partners") or its affiliates and not by Natixis' research department. It is not investment research or a research recommendation and is not intended to constitute a sufficient basis upon which to make an investment decision. This material is provided for information purposes, is intended for your use only and does not constitute an invitation or offer to subscribe for or purchase any of the products or services mentioned. Nothing in this document constitutes investment, legal, accounting or tax advice, or a representation that any investment or strategy is suitable or appropriate for you. Solomon Partners is a FINRA-registered broker-dealer.

SOLOMON PARTNERS MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT GROUP

Mark Boidman Managing Dir., Group Head

Ben Zinder Director

Brendan Kirk Associate

Rich Brail Chairman of M&A

Jonathan Berger Vice President

Matthew Fryefield Analyst

Kate Plassman

Adam Jaffe Director

Christian Bermel Associate

Blake McCann Analyst

Analyst

Jared Rogers Summer Analyst