

FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

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Gokhale Method Institute ("GMI") operates a business and grants franchises for businesses offering classes and products that help restore the body's primal architecture and movement patterns under the "Gokhale Method" trademark and related marks The total investment necessary to begin operation is \$9,065 to \$28,940 This includes \$4,350 to \$16,190 that must be paid to us

This Disclosure Document summarizes certain provisions of the franchise agreement and other information in plain English Read this disclosure document and all accompanying agreements carefully You must receive this disclosure document at least 14 calendar days before you sign a binding agreement with, or make any payment to, the franchisor or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale Note, however, that no government agency has verified the information contained in this document

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship Do not rely on the disclosure document alone to understand your contract Read your entire contract carefully Show your contract and this disclosure document to an advisor, like a lawyer or accountant

Buying a franchise is a complex investment The information in this disclosure document can help you make up your mind More information on franchising such as "A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise," which can help you understand how to use this disclosure document, is available from the Federal Trade Commission You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20580 You can also visit the FTC's home page at <u>www ftc gov</u> for additional information Call your state agency or visit your public library for other sources of information on franchising There may also be laws on franchising in your state Ask your state agencies about them

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STATE COVER PAGE

Your state may have a franchise law that requires a franchisor to register or file with a state franchise administrator before offering or selling in your state REGISTRATION OF A FRANCHISE BY A STATE DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE STATE RECOMMENDS THE FRANCHISE OR HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

Call the state franchise administrator listed in Exhibit "F" for information about the franchisor or about franchising in your state

MANY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS DO NOT ALLOW YOU TO RENEW UNCONDITIONALLY AFTER THE INITIAL TERM EXPIRES YOU MAY HAVE TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS BEFORE YOU BUY, CONSIDER WHAT RIGHTS YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR FRANCHISE, IF ANY, AND WHAT TERMS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ACCEPT IN ORDER TO RENEW

Please consider the following RISK FACTORS before you buy this franchise

- 1 THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY MEDIATION OR ARBITRATION ONLY IN CALIFORNIA OUT-OF-STATE MEDIATION OR ARBITRATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES IT MAY ALSO COST YOU MORE TO MEDIATE, ARBITRATE OR LITIGATE WITH US IN CALIFORNIA THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE
- 2 THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT STATES THAT CALIFORNIA LAW GOVERNS THE AGREEMENT, AND THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS LOCAL LAW YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS
- 3 WE WERE FORMED ON NOVEMBER 3, 2011 AND HAVE A LIMITED OPERATING HISTORY AND EXPERIENCE IN THE OFFER AND SALE OF FRANCHISES
- 4 FRANCHISEES WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TRANSFER OR SELL THEIR FRANCHISED BUSINESS
- 5 THIS FRANCHISE HAS SUBSTANTIAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS YOU SHOULD FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THEM BEFORE ENTERING INTO A FRANCHISE AGREEMENT THE FRANCHISOR HAS THE RIGHT TO TERMINATE THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT IF YOU DO NOT COMPLETE TRAINING TO ITS SATISFACTION
- 6 THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS FRANCHISE

Currently, we do not use the services of one or more FRANCHISE BROKERS or referral sources to assist us in selling our franchise. The effective dates for any state franchise registrations appear on the following page

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STATE EFFECTIVE DATES

The following states require that the Franchise Disclosure Document be registered or filed with the state, or be exempt from registration California, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin

This Franchise Disclosure Document is registered, on file, or exempt from registration in the following states having franchise registration and disclosure laws, with the following effective dates

California	 Effective Date
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Illinois	 Effective Date
Indiana	 Effective Date
Maryland	 Effective Date
Michigan	 Effective Date
Minnesota	 Effective Date
New York	 Effective Date
North Dakota	 Effective Date
South Dakota	 Effective Date
Virginia	 Effective Date
Wisconsin	 Effective Date

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