White Plains, New York

# CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Including Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

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# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of FRMO Corporation and Subsidiaries

## **Opinions on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of FRMO Corporation and Subsidiaries (the "Company") as of May 31, 2018 and 2017, the related consolidated statements of income and comprehensive income, consolidated statement of stockholders' equity, and consolidated statements of cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "consolidated financial statements"). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of FRMO Corporation and Subsidiaries as of May 31, 2018 and 2017 and the consolidated results of their operations and cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Basis for Opinions**

These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB and in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. Our audits included consideration of its internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

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We have served as the Company's auditor since 2001.

New York, New York August 13, 2018



CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS As of May 31, 2018 and 2017

ASSETS		
	May 31,	May 31,
	2018	2017
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 53,617,453	\$ 51,125,142
Accounts receivable (due from related parties)	787,889	742,901
Prepaid income taxes	168,493	338,735
Bond and equity securities, available for sale, at fair value (cost of \$27,594,316		
and \$17,404,496 at May 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively)	38,522,139	18,932,596
Other assets	138,357	 138,357
Total Current Assets	93,234,331	71,277,731
Computer equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$19,204	75,711	-
Investment in South LaSalle Partners, LP at fair value (cost of		
\$5,766,100 and \$5,767,095 at May 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively)	6,262,374	5,742,784
Investment in The Bermuda Stock Exchange	2,721,017	2,704,029
Investments in Other Stock Exchanges	987,620	987,620
Investment in Winland Holdings Corporation, at fair value (cost of \$460,435)	773,062	738,956
Investments in managed funds, at fair value (cost of \$17,889,346 and		
\$16,146,650 at May 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively)	34,372,340	24,833,050
Investment in Digital Currency Group, Inc.	76,261	76,261
Investments in cryptocurrency mining entities	112,867	-
Investment in Horizon Kinetics LLC	11,623,979	10,772,524
Participation in Horizon Kinetics LLC Revenue Stream	10,200,000	10,200,000
Total Assets	\$ 160,439,562	\$ 127,332,955
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 193,719	\$ 140,350
Securities sold, not yet purchased (proceeds of \$11,123,013 and		
\$8,941,666 at May 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively)	5,495,513	4,130,837
Total Current Liabilities	5,689,232	 4,271,187
Deferred tax liability	7,756,622	8,842,027
Total Liabilities	 13,445,854	 13,113,214
Stockholders' Equity	 	
Redeemable preferred stock - \$.001 par value;		
Authorized - 2,000,000 shares; no shares outstanding	_	-
Common stock - \$0.001 par value, authorized 90,000,000 shares	_	_
Issued and outstanding - 43,973,781 shares and 43,953,155 shares at		
May 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively	43,973	43,953
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Additional paid-in capital	32,527,939	31,275,473
Accumulated other comprehensive income	3,730,184	2,904,955
Retained earnings	 83,108,408	 69,119,083
Stockholders' Equity Attributable to the Company	119,410,504	103,343,464
Noncontrolling interests	 27,583,204	 10,876,277
Total Stockholders' Equity	146,993,708	 114,219,741
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$ 160,439,562	\$ 127,332,955

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME For the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

2018 2017 REVENUE Consultancy and advisory fees \$ 3,251,615 \$1,994,465 Board fees 5,800 3,200 Dividends and interest income, net 1,097,450 562,231 Realized (losses) gains from investments (91,760) 857,888 Equity earnings (loss) from partnerships and limited liability companies 3,782,462 (21, 347)Unrealized gain from investments 8,351,287 4,161,149 16,989 62,009 Equity earnings from investment in The Bermuda Stock Exchange 16,413,843 7,619,595 Total Revenue **OPERATING EXPENSES** Compensation and benefits 124,080 103,200 Professional fees 351,941 302,139 Other expenses 313.220 298,270 Depreciation 19,204 808.445 703,609 **Total Expenses** Income from Operations before Provision for Income Taxes 15,605,398 6,915,986 Provision for Income Taxes 1,382,096 3,261,308 Net Income 14,223,302 3,654,678 Less net income attributable to noncontrolling interests 170,784 160,730 Net Income Attributable to the Company 14,052,518 \$ \$ 3,493,948 OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME, NET OF TAX Net Income \$ 14,223,302 3,654,678 \$ Unrealized investment holding gains arising during the period 10,216,396 2,895,815 559,260 913,458 Income tax benefit related to items of other comprehensive income 10,775,656 3,809,273 Unrealized investment holding gains, net of tax Comprehensive Income 24,998,958 7,463,951 Less comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests 10,163,351 3,127,995 Comprehensive income attributable to the Company 14,835,607 \$ \$ 4.335.956 NET INCOME PER COMMON SHARE Basic and diluted \$ 0.32 \$ 0.08 WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING Basic 43,959,554 43,953,155 44,007,828 44,000,015 Diluted

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# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY For the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

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	Redeemable Preferred Stock	mable d Stock	Common Stock	1 Stock	Additional Paid-In	Accumulated Other Comprehensive	Retained	Equity Attributable to the	Non- Controlling	Total Stockholders'
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Capital	Income	Earnings	Company	Interests	Equity
BALANCE - June 1, 2016	I	۰ ۲	43,953,155	\$ 43,953	\$ 30,349,918	\$ 2,346,142	\$ 65,625,135	\$ 98,365,148	\$ 3,680,364	\$ 102,045,512
Equity Compensation Non-cash Compensation		1 1			17,280 103,200	1 1	1 1	17,280 103,200	1 1	17,280 103,200
Capital Accounts of Consolidated Limited										
Liability Company					805,075	I	ı	805,075	I	805,075
Change in Unrealized Gains	I	ľ	I	I	ı	558,813	I	558,813	3,127,995	3,686,808
Net Income	·	ı	I	ı	I	I	3,493,948	3,493,948	160,730	3,654,678
Noncontrolling interests	"	'		'	'	"	"		3,907,188	3,907,188
BALANCE - May 31, 2017	I	I	43,953,155	43,953	31,275,473	2,904,955	69,119,083	103,343,464	10,876,277	114,219,741
Equity Compensation	I	I	I	I	20,880	1	I	20,880	I	20,880
Exercise of Stock Options	ı	I	20,626	20	41,805	I	I	41,825	I	41,825
Non-cash Compensation	I	I	I	I	103,200	I	I	103,200	I	103,200
Capital Accounts of Consolidated Limited										
Liability Company					1,086,581			1,086,581	I	1,086,581
Change in Unrealized Gains	I	I	I	I	I	762,036	I	762,036	10,163,351	10,925,387
Reclassify Stranded Tax Effects from Accumulated										
Other Comprehensive										
Income to Retained Earnings		ı	I	'	ı	63,193	(63,193)	ı	ı	·
Net Income	,	ı	I	ı	I	I	14,052,518	14,052,518	170,784	14,223,302
Noncontrolling interests	"	1		"		I			6,372,792	6,372,792
BALANCE - May 31, 2018	ľ	*	43,973,781	\$ 43,973	\$ 32,527,939	\$ 3,730,184	\$ 83,108,408	\$ 119,410,504	\$ 27,583,204	\$ 146,993,708

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

For the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

		Ma	y 31,	
		2018	y 51,	2017
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Net income	\$	14,223,302	\$	3,654,678
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash flows from operating activities				
Non-cash compensation		103,200		103,200
Equity compensation		20,880		17,280
Realized loss (gain) from investments		91,760		(857,888)
(Equity earnings) loss from partnerships and limited liability companies		(3,782,462)		21,347
Unrealized gain from investments		(8,351,287)		(4,161,149)
Equity earnings from investment in The Bermuda Stock Exchange		(16,989)		(62,009)
Non-cash consultancy and advisory fee revenue		(89,564)		-
Depreciation		19,204		-
Deferred income tax (benefit) expense		(589,336)		1,436,241
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Accounts receivable		(44,988)		102,915
Prepaid income taxes		170,242		809,306
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		53,369		(43,067)
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities		1,807,331		1,020,854
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Proceeds from sale of investments		1,978,867		2,243,178
Purchases of investments		(3,603,663)		(1,277,232)
Proceeds from securities sold, not yet purchased		6,748,085		1,748,099
Purchases to cover securities previously sold		(4,952,773)		(1,808,560)
Distributions from limited partnerships		301,408		-
Investments in limited partnerships		(20,000)		-
Investment in other stock exchanges		-		(248,580)
Investments in cryptocurrency mining entities		(118,854)		-
Purchase of computer equipment		(94,915)		-
Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities		238,155		656,905
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Proceeds from issuance of other consolidated subsidiary equity		405,000		355,000
Proceeds from exercise of stock options		41,825		555,000
-				255.000
Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities		446,825		355,000
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents		2,492,311		2,032,759
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, Beginning of Year		51,125,142		49,092,383
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$	53,617,453	\$	51,125,142
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION				
Cash paid during the period for				
Income taxes	\$	1,760,000	\$	1,010,108
Interest	\$	162,798	\$	133,347
NONCASH INVESTING ACTIVITIES	ф.	7.077.001	φ.	4 004 000
Investment acquired through the contribution of other investments	\$	7,267,301	\$	4,234,802

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## **NOTE 1 - Nature of Business**

FRMO Corporation ("FRMO" or the "Company") was incorporated in 1993 under the laws of the State of Delaware. In January 2001, FRMO spun off its operations in a transaction accounted for as a reverse pooling of interests. Since that time, FRMO has focused its activities on making strategic investments in public and private companies and providing advisory services.

Management is experienced in the analysis of public and private companies and securities within a framework of identifying investment strategies and techniques that reduce risk. The Company endeavors to identify and participate in operating assets, particularly in the early stages of the expression of their ultimate value, in ways that are calculated to increase the value of the stockholders' interest in FRMO. Such assets are expected to include, but are not limited to, those whose values and earnings are based on intellectual capital. Of the many varieties of capital upon which investors have earned returns, ranging from real estate to silicon, perhaps the highest returns on capital have been earned on intellectual capital. It is the goal of FRMO to maximize its return on this form of asset. The identification of any business opportunities will follow the process employed by Horizon Kinetics, LLC ("Horizon" or "Horizon Kinetics"), to select and evaluate investment opportunities and strategies. Horizon was co-founded by Murray Stahl and Steven Bregman, officers and principal stockholders of the Company. Horizon is an investment advisory and independent research firm, the research activities serving primarily institutional investors. Horizon provides in-depth analysis of information-poor, under-researched companies and strategies to identify the complex or overlooked situations that can offer an advantage to the investor.

Until April 30, 2011, the Company owned an 8.44% interest in Kinetics Advisers, LLC ("Kinetics Advisers"). Effective May 1, 2011, the members of Kinetics Advisers contributed all of their membership interests in Kinetics Advisers to Horizon Kinetics and, in exchange, Kinetics Advisers members received certain membership interests of Horizon Kinetics and Kinetics Advisers became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Horizon Kinetics (the "Exchange"). As a result of the Exchange, the Company exchanged its original 8.44% membership interest in Kinetics Advisers for a 0.47% membership interest in Horizon Kinetics and a receivable of approximately \$4,814,000, which represented the Company's proportionate shares of fees that were earned and payable to Kinetics Advisers prior to the Exchange (see Note 4). On August 15, 2012, the Company transferred an interest in a revenue stream to Horizon Kinetics to 0.86%. On April 16, 2013, the Company entered into an agreement with Horizon Kinetics to exchange, on or before May 31, 2013, certain privately held units of Horizon Kinetics for common shares of the Company based upon predetermined prices of each. On May 31, 2013, the Company issued 2,387,715 shares of its common stock to the individual Horizon Kinetics unit sellers in exchange for an additional 4.09% interest in Horizon Kinetics. As a result of the Exchange and subsequent transactions discussed above, FRMO increased its interest in Horizon Kinetics from 0.86% to 4.95% (see Note 5).

Effective June 1, 2013, the Company earns substantially all of its advisory fees from Horizon Kinetics as a result of an amendment of its product-specific revenue interests (see Note 4). For the years ended May 31, 2018 and 2017, fees earned by the Company include fees earned from Horizon Kinetics and other fees derived from assets managed by other parties based on the research of Horizon Kinetics.

Other non-significant revenue that the Company receives consists of the following:

- Revenue from cryptocurrency mining activities, which commenced during the second quarter of the 2018 fiscal year.
- Consulting fees pursuant to an agreement with Santa Monica Partners, LP, whose manager is a director and stockholder of the Company.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## **NOTE 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

## **Basis of Presentation**

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of FRMO and its controlled subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Company"). Noncontrolling interests on the consolidated financial statements represent the portion of a subsidiary in which the Company does not have direct equity ownership. The Company maintains its corporate office in White Plains, New York.

## Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements represent the consolidation of the accounts of FRMO and its subsidiaries in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"). All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. Investments in unconsolidated companies (generally 20 to 50 percent ownership), in which the Company has the ability to exercise significant influence but neither has a controlling interest nor is the primary beneficiary, are accounted for under the equity method of accounting. Investments in entities in which the Company does not have the ability to exercise significant influence are accounted for under the cost method of accounting. Under certain criteria indicated in Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 810, *Consolidation*, a partially-owned affiliate would be consolidated when it has less than a 50% ownership if the Company is the primary beneficiary of that entity.

Horizon Kinetics Hard Assets LLC ("HKHA") is a New York limited liability company formed by Horizon, and certain officers, principal stockholders and directors of the Company for the purpose of investing in companies that own 'hard assets' with intrinsic value such as commodities including oil, natural gas, precious metals as well as land assets including industrial and commercial real estate, and other similar assets.

From November 1, 2015 through May 31, 2018, the Company acquired interests in HKHA by contributing securities with a fair market value of \$2,605,748. As of May 31, 2018 and 2017 the Company holds a 12.92% and 11.80% interest, respectively, in HKHA.

Due to the common control and ownership between HKHA and the Company's principal stockholders and directors, HKHA has been consolidated within the Company's financial statements in accordance with the Company's consolidation policy. The noncontrolling interest of 87.08% and 88.20% in HKHA has been eliminated as of May 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

## Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. At May 31, 2018 and 2017, the Company had balances in excess of federally insured limits on deposit with financial institutions. At May 31, 2018 the Company had: (1) three accounts with balances of approximately \$11,621,000, \$36,237,000 and \$1,596,000 at one large global financial institution, and (2) one account with a balance of approximately \$4,163,000 at another large global financial institution. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts, and management believes that it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash and cash equivalents.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## NOTE 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont.)

## Credit Risk

In the normal course of business, substantially all of the Company's securities transactions, money balances, and security positions are transacted with one broker. The Company is subjected to credit risk to the extent any broker with which it conducts business is unable to fulfill contractual obligations on its behalf. The Company's management monitors the financial condition of such broker and does not anticipate any losses from such counterparty.

## Investment Valuation

The Company accounts for its investments in marketable securities in accordance with "Investments - Debt and Equity Securities", which requires that fixed-maturity and equity securities that have readily determined fair values be segregated into categories based upon the Company's intention for those securities. Accordingly, the Company has classified its debt and equity securities as available-for-sale. The Company may sell its available-for-sale securities in response to changes in interest rates, risk/reward characteristics, liquidity needs, or other factors.

Debt and equity marketable securities are reported at their estimated fair values based on quoted market prices or a recognized pricing service, with unrealized gains and losses, net of tax effects, reported as a separate component of comprehensive income in stockholders' equity. Realized gains and losses are determined on the specific identification method.

Investments that the Company has the specific intent and ability to hold until maturity are carried at amortized cost.

The estimated fair values of financial instruments are determined by the Company using available market information and appropriate valuation methodologies. Considerable judgment is required in interpreting market data to develop the estimates of fair value. Accordingly, the estimates, when presented herein, are not necessarily indicative of the amounts that the Company could realize in a sale. In general, fair values determined by Level 1 inputs utilize quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Fair values determined by Level 2 inputs utilize data points that are observable such as quoted prices, interest rates, and yield curves, and quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active. Fair values determined by Level 3 inputs are unobservable data points for the asset or liability, and includes situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability. The Company does not have Level 3 assets or liabilities.

As of May 31, 2018 and 2017, investments in limited partnerships and limited liability companies are valued using data inputs from March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, the dates of the most current available information. Management reviews relevant market and related data to reconcile for the period from April 1 through May 31.

Investments in managed funds are recorded at fair value using the practical expedient and in accordance with Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2015-07, "*Disclosures for Investments in Certain Entities That Calculate Net Asset Value ("NAV") per Share (or Its Equivalent)*, " which removes the requirement to categorize within the fair value hierarchy all investments measured using the net asset value per share as a practical expedient and related disclosures.

Changes in unrealized gains from assets subject to NAV are included in operations in unrealized gain from investments.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## NOTE 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont.)

The Company elected the fair value method to value its investment in Winland Holdings Corporation. The fair value is evaluated quarterly based on quoting activity. Changes to fair value are included in operations in unrealized gain from investments.

## Investments in Unconsolidated Entities

The Company evaluates investments in other entities for consolidation. The Company considers the percentage interest in the entity, evaluation of control and whether a variable interest entity exists when determining if the investment qualifies for consolidation. Investments in limited liability companies that have separate ownership accounts for each investor greater than three to five percent are accounted for under the equity method of accounting.

For investments in unconsolidated entities utilizing the equity method of accounting, the investment is recorded initially at cost, and subsequently adjusted for all realized income (loss) and all the Company's proportionate share of income or loss ("Equity Earnings"). The Net Income of each investor is allocated in accordance with the provisions of the operating agreement of the entity. The allocation provisions in these agreements may differ from the ownership interest held by each investor. The Company's Equity Earnings in these items are reported as a single line item in operations as income from partnerships and limited liability companies. The unrealized gains and losses of these entities are also reflected in the investment and are included in unrealized gain from investments.

For investments in unconsolidated entities utilizing the cost method of accounting, the investment is recorded initially at cost, and subsequently adjusted for cash contributions and distributions.

On a quarterly basis, the Company assesses whether the value of its investments in unconsolidated entities has been impaired. An investment is impaired only if management's estimate of the fair value of the investment is less than its carrying value, and such decline in value is deemed to be other than temporary. The ultimate realization of the Company's investment in partially owned entities is dependent on a number of factors including the performance of that entity and market conditions. If the Company determines that a decline in the value of a partially owned entity is other than temporary, it will record an impairment charge.

## Use of Estimates

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## Accounts Receivable and Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

In the normal course of business, the Company provides unsecured credit to customers, performs credit evaluations of these customers, and maintains reserves for potential credit losses. In determining the amount of allowance for doubtful accounts, management considers historical credit losses, the past due status of receivables, payment history, and other customer-specific information. The past due status of a receivable is based on its contractual terms. Expected credit losses are recorded as an allowance for doubtful accounts. Receivables are written off when management determines they are uncollectible. An allowance for doubtful accounts is not provided as of May 31 2018 and 2017 since, in the opinion of management, all of its accounts are deemed collectible.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## NOTE 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont.)

## Computer Equipment

Computer equipment is reported at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided using the straightline method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The Company estimates the useful life for computer equipment is three years.

## Securities Sold, not yet purchased

Securities sold, not yet purchased, or securities sold short, represent obligations of the Company to deliver the specified security, and thereby create a liability to repurchase the security in the market at then prevailing prices. Securities sold, not yet purchased are recorded as a liability at fair value.

## Other Comprehensive Income

Other comprehensive income refers to revenues, expenses, gains, and losses net of income taxes that, under U.S. GAAP, are included in comprehensive income but are excluded from net income as these amounts are recorded directly as a component of stockholders' equity and consist primarily of unrealized gains (losses) on available for sale investments.

## **Revenue Recognition**

The Company primarily generates revenue through advisory and consulting fees. The accrual method of accounting is used to record fee income, which is recognized when the advisory and consulting services are performed.

Security transactions are recorded based on a trade date. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date, and interest income is recognized on an accrual basis. Discounts and premiums on securities purchased are amortized over the life of the respective securities. Realized gains and losses from security transactions are recorded on a specific identification basis.

Revenue from the Company's interest in Horizon Kinetics' gross revenue stream is earned primarily on a month-bymonth basis. The Company's share of annual incentive fees earned by Horizon Kinetics, if any, are included in the quarter ended in February when the incentive fees are determinable.

Income (loss) from investments measured at fair value are as follows:

#### Managed Funds

Revenue is earned based upon FRMO's allocated share of each investment partnership's proportionate share of changes in unrealized gains and losses to its partners on a calendar year basis.

## Investments Subject to Fair Value Adjustments

Revenue is earned based upon the change in unrealized gains and losses from investments subject to fair value election.

#### Research

Research expenditures, consisting of investment research, are expensed as incurred.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## NOTE 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont.)

## Stock-based Compensation

The Company records compensation expense associated with equity-based compensation in accordance with guidance established by U.S. GAAP. Equity award compensation expense for the years ended May 31, 2018 and 2017 is the estimated fair value of the grants amortized on a straight-line basis over the service period for the entire portion of the award less an estimate for anticipated forfeitures.

## Income Taxes

The Company files a consolidated federal income tax return with its wholly-owned subsidiary. Material differences between the financial reporting and the tax reporting of the Company's revenue, assets, and liabilities are included in deferred tax assets or liabilities. The income tax provisions and liability for income taxes are based on enacted tax laws and statutory tax rates applicable to the respective periods.

Deferred income tax is recognized using the balance sheet method, providing for temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. Deferred income tax is not recognized for differences relating to investments in subsidiaries and jointly controlled entities to the extent that they probably will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred income tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to be applied to the temporary differences when they reverse, based on the laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

A deferred tax asset is recognized to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which temporary differences can be utilized. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realized.

The Company follows the relevant provisions of U.S. GAAP concerning uncertainties in income taxes, which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in tax positions and requires that the Company recognize in its consolidated financial statements the impact of an uncertain tax position, if that position has a more-likely-than-not chance of not being sustained on audit, based on the technical merits of that position.

All interest and penalties are expensed as incurred. Tax returns for the years ended May 31, 2015 and forward are still subject to examination. The Company has evaluated its tax position and determined that no provision for uncertainty in income taxes is necessary as of May 31, 2018 and 2017.

## Subsequent Events

The Company has evaluated all subsequent events from the date of the consolidated balance sheets through August 13, 2018, which represents the date these consolidated financial statements are available to be issued.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## **NOTE 3 - Adoption of New Accounting Pronouncements**

In February 2018, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASU 2018-02 - Income Statement – Reporting Comprehensive Income (Topic 220) – Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income ("AOCI") ("ASU 2018-02"). The deferred income tax liability for unrealized gains on available-for-sale securities that were re-measured due to the reduction in corporate income tax rates under the Act resulted in a stranded tax effect within AOCI. This is due to the effect of the tax rate change being recorded through continuing operations as required under Accounting Standards Codification 740 ("ASC 740"). The revised ASU allows for the reclassification of the stranded tax effects as a result of the Act from AOCI to retained earnings and requires certain other disclosures. The Company chose to early adopt the provisions of ASU 2018-02 and recorded a one-time reclassification of \$63,193 from AOCI to retained earnings for the stranded tax effects resulting from the newly enacted corporate tax rate. The amount of the reclassification was the difference between the historical corporate tax rate and the newly enacted 21% corporate tax rate (see Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity).

The Company has determined that all other recently issued accounting pronouncements will not have a material impact on its consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows, or do not apply to its operations.

### **NOTE 4 - Participation Interest**

In 2013, the Company amended the terms of its product-specific revenue interests in the following products managed by Horizon Kinetics and its subsidiaries: (i) a mutual fund, (ii) two private investment funds, (iii) a consultative relationship with an institutional investor and, (iv) an institutional separate account. FRMO now receives a single revenue interest (the "Revenue Interest") equal to 4.199% of the gross revenues of Horizon Kinetics. This revenue interest now represents substantially all of the "Consultancy and advisory fees" included in operations for the years ended May 31, 2018 and 2017.

The 4.199% Revenue Interest had an estimated fair value of \$10,200,000 as determined by an independent valuation and is shown as "Participation in Horizon Kinetics LLC revenue stream" in the consolidated balance sheets.

As a result of this transaction, the Company realized a gain of approximately \$10,057,000 in 2013. Income taxes of approximately \$2,861,000 and \$4,396,000 on the gain are deferred pursuant to Section 1031 of the Internal Revenue Code relating to "like-kind exchanges" and are included in "Deferred tax liability" in the consolidated balance sheets as of May 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## **NOTE 5 - Investments**

Limited Partnerships and Limited Liability Companies, Bonds and Equity Investments

The Company's investments in limited partnerships and limited liability companies, bonds and equity investments consist of the following as of May 31, 2018 and 2017:

		As of May 31, 2018	
	Cost or	Unrealized	Fair
	(Proceeds)	Gains (Losses)	Value
Bond and Equity Securities Available for Sale	\$ 27,594,316	\$ 10,927,823	\$ 38,522,139
Investments in limited partnerships:			
Investment in South LaSalle Partners, LP	\$ 5,766,100	\$ 496,274	\$ 6,262,374
Investments in managed funds Horizon Multi-Strategy Fund, LP CDK Partners, LP Polestar Fund, LP Multi-Disciplinary Fund, LP Kinetics Institutional Partners, LP Shepherd I, LP Total Investments in Managed Funds	\$ 7,404,988 1,163,817 8,719,529 580,852 9,819 10,341 \$ 17,889,346	\$ 7,184,641 1,287,583 7,999,522 4,530 4,223 2,495 \$ 16,482,994	<ul> <li>\$ 14,589,629</li> <li>2,451,400</li> <li>16,719,051</li> <li>585,382</li> <li>14,042</li> <li>12,836</li> <li>\$ 34,372,340</li> </ul>
Investment in Winland Holdings Corporation	\$ 460,435	\$ 312,627	\$ 773,062
Securities sold, not yet purchased (liability)	\$ (11,123,013)	\$ 5,627,500	\$ (5,495,513)

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

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NOTE 5 - Investments (cont.)					
			As of	May 31, 2017	
		Cost or	U	Inrealized	Fair
	(1	Proceeds)	Ga	ins (Losses)	 Value
Bond and Equity Securities Available for Sale	\$	17,404,496	\$	1,528,100	\$ 18,932,596
Investments in limited partnerships:					
Investment in South LaSalle Partners, LP	\$	5,767,095	\$	(24,311)	\$ 5,742,784
Investments in managed funds					
Horizon Multi-Strategy Fund, LP	\$	6,864,680	\$	2,796,314	\$ 9,660,994
CDK Partners, LP		1,018,608		467,518	1,486,126
Polestar Fund, LP		7,694,638		5,444,742	13,139,380
Multi-Disciplinary Fund, LP		568,724		(22,174)	546,550
Total Investments in Managed Funds	\$	16,146,650	\$	8,686,400	\$ 24,833,050
Investment in Winland Holdings Corporation	\$	460,435	\$	278,521	\$ 738,956
Securities sold, not yet purchased (liability)	\$	(8,941,666)	\$	4,810,829	\$ (4,130,837)

The Company's managed fund interests are all under 50% owned. South LaSalle Partners, LP owns 14.2% of the seats on the Minneapolis Grain Exchange.

The Company's investment capital in South LaSalle Partners, LP may be withdrawn as of the last day of each calendar quarter by providing the general partner with 60 days advance written notice. The general partner, in its sole discretion, may permit withdrawals at other times or otherwise modify or waive such withdrawal conditions and requirements, including any notice period, for any or all of the limited partners at any time without notice to or the consent of the limited partners. An entity, related by common ownership, is a member of both the general partner and the Manager of South LaSalle Partners, LP.

The Company's investment capital in the Horizon Multi-Strategy Fund, LP may be withdrawn on 45 days prior written notice to the general partner, and the Company may redeem all or part of its capital account on the last day of each calendar quarter. Redemptions may be settled in cash or, at the discretion of the general partner, through in-kind distributions of portfolio securities, the fair market value of which would satisfy the redemption request. An entity, related by common ownership, is a member of both the general partner and the manager of Horizon Multi-Strategy Fund, LP.

The Company's investment capital in CDK Partners, LP (formerly known as Croupier Fund, LP) may be withdrawn as of the last day of each month by providing the general partner with 60 days advance written notice. The general partner, in its sole discretion, may permit withdrawals at other times or otherwise modify or waive such withdrawal conditions and requirements. All withdrawal amounts may be paid in cash or in kind (or a combination thereof), in the general partner's sole discretion.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## NOTE 5 - Investments (cont.)

The Company's investment capital in CDK Partners, LP (formerly known as Croupier Fund, LP) may be withdrawn as of the last day of each month by providing the general partner with 60 days advance written notice. The general partner, in its sole discretion, may permit withdrawals at other times or otherwise modify or waive such withdrawal conditions and requirements. All withdrawal amounts may be paid in cash or in kind (or a combination thereof), in the general partner's sole discretion.

The Company's investment capital in Polestar Fund, LP may be withdrawn as of the last day of each month (or such other dates as the general partner in its discretion shall determine) by providing the general partner with 45 days advance written notice, with the minimum amount to be withdrawn of \$100,000. The general partner may, in its sole discretion, allow redemptions that do not comply with the above requirements; however, such redemptions may be subject to a penalty equal to up to 2% of the redemption amount requested. All withdrawal amounts may be paid in cash or in kind (or a combination thereof), in the general partner's sole discretion. An entity, related by common ownership, is a member of both the general partner and the manager of Polestar Fund, LP.

The Company's investment in the Multi-Disciplinary Fund, LP may be withdrawn as of the last business day of any calendar quarter upon at least 45 days advance written notice to the general partner, and in such other amounts and at such other times as the general partner may determine in its sole discretion. The minimum amount to be withdrawn is \$50,000. Partial withdrawals may not be made without the general partner's consent if they would reduce the investor's capital account balance below \$100,000. All withdrawals shall be deemed made prior to the commencement of the following calendar quarter. The general partner has discretion to waive or vary these terms. An entity, related by common ownership, is a member of both the general partner and the manager of Multi-Disciplinary Fund, LP.

The Company's investment in Kinetics Institutional Partners, LP may be withdrawn upon 20 days prior notice to the general partner, on the last business day of each calendar month at the then net asset value, less any applicable accrued incentive allocations as of the previous valuation date, or at such other times at the general partner's discretion, to make a partial or total withdrawal from the Company's capital accounts (subject to the right of the general partner, in its sole discretion, to waive such withdrawal restrictions).

The Company's investment in Shepherd I, LP may be withdrawn on 45 days prior written notice to the general partner, in whole or in part, from the Company's capital account, as adjusted for net profits and net losses, as of the last business day of June and December of each year, subject to a minimum transaction amount of \$10,000 (or the balance of the capital account if less than \$10,000) or at such other times and in such other amounts as the general partner shall determine in its sole discretion. Without the consent of the general partner, which may be given or withheld in its sole discretion, no partial withdrawal may be made that would reduce the Company's residual balance in its capital account below \$250,000. All redemptions will take into account the applicable performance allocation, if any, due to the general partner. Withdrawals are not permitted unless the interest has been held for at least six months as of the withdrawal date. The general partner, in its sole discretion, may waive any of these withdrawal requirements.

The Company's investment in Winland Holdings Corporation is recorded as a non-current asset due to its limited trading activity and the possible inability of the Company to sell all of the shares owned within a one-year period.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## NOTE 5 - Investments (cont.)

Investments in Unconsolidated Entities

## Cryptocurrency Mining Entities

The following are the Company's investments in unconsolidated cryptocurrency mining entities as of May 31, 2018 and 2017:

	May 31, 2018	May 31, 2017
HK Cryptocurrency Mining, LLC Horatio Mining, LLC	\$ 62,867 50,000	\$ - -
Total	\$ 112,867	\$ -

## HK Cryptocurrency Mining, LLC.

The Company holds a 1.43% interest in HK Cryptocurrency Mining, LLC ("HKCCM"), which is accounted for using the cost method of accounting. The Company acquired its interest in HKCCM from Horizon for \$68,854 on September 1, 2017.

## Horatio Mining, LLC.

The Company holds a 50% interest in Horatio Mining, LLC ("HM"), which is accounted for using the equity method of accounting. The Company acquired its interest in HM for \$50,000 on May 20, 2018.

The following are the Company's investments in other unconsolidated entities accounted for using the cost method of accounting:

## Other Stock Exchanges

Investments in other stock exchanges consist of the following as of May 31, 2018 and 2017:

OneChicago, LLC CNSX Markets, Inc.	\$	246,000 243,040
Miami International Holdings, Inc. National Stock Exchange Holdings, Inc.		250,000 248,580
Total	<u>\$</u>	987,620

The Company holds a 1.41% interest in CNSX Markets, Inc. and less than a 1.00% interest in other stock exchanges.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## NOTE 5 - Investments (cont.)

## Digital Currency Group, Inc.

The Company holds less than a 1.00% in Digital Currency Group, Inc. The Company acquired 353 shares of Digital Currency Group, Inc. for \$76,261 on February 26, 2016.

The following are the Company's investments in unconsolidated entities accounted for using the equity method of accounting:

## The Bermuda Stock Exchange

Pursuant to an offer to the members of the Bermuda Stock Exchange ("BSX"), the Company acquired 509,114 shares of BSX (37.57%) for a total consideration of \$2,370,515 on April 16, 2014. On February 27, 2015, FRMO acquired an additional 33,940 shares of BSX from existing shareholders for \$154,521. The additional shares purchased increased FRMO's investment in BSX to 40.08% effective March 2, 2015.

## Horizon Kinetics LLC

The Company holds a 4.95% interest in Horizon Kinetics (see Note 1).

## Securities Sold, not yet purchased

Securities sold, not yet purchased, or securities sold short, consist of equity securities that the Company has borrowed and sold. The Company is required to "cover" its short sales in the future by purchasing the security at prevailing market prices and delivering it to the counterparty from which it borrowed the security. The Company is exposed to loss in the event that the price at which a security may have to be purchased to cover a short sale exceeds the price at which the borrowed security was sold short. Securities sold, not yet purchased are recorded as a liability at fair value. A gain, limited to the price at which the Company sold the investment short, or a loss, unlimited in amount, will be recognized upon the cover of the short sale.

## Investment Concentration

As of May 31, 2018, the Company had one investment in an equity security held directly and indirectly, through its various investments in limited partnerships and limited liability companies, amounting to 12.6% of stockholders' equity attributable to the Company ("Equity"). None of the Company's other direct or indirect investments were greater than 10% of Equity.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## **NOTE 6 - Fair Value Measurements**

The Company follows "Fair Value Measurements" for its financial assets and liabilities that are re-measured and reported at fair value at each reporting period, and non-financial assets and liabilities that are re-measured and reported at fair value at least annually.

The following tables present information about the Company's assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of May 31, 2018 and 2017, and indicates the fair value hierarchy of the valuation techniques the Company utilized to determine such fair values.

In accordance with ASC Subtopic 820-10, certain investments that are measured at fair value using the net asset value per share (or its equivalent) practical expedient have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the amounts presented in the consolidated balance sheets.

In accordance with the fair value accounting requirements, companies may choose to measure eligible financial instruments and certain other items at fair value. The Company has elected the fair value option for its investments on an investment-by-investment basis at the time each investment is initially recognized in the financial statements or upon an event that gives rise to a new basis of accounting for these items. The Company has elected the fair value option for its investment in Winland Holdings Corporation.

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			1	investments		in Active	5	Significant		
				Measured		Markets		Other		Significant
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				Net Asset		Assets		Inputs		Inputs
		Total		Value		(Level 1)		(Level 2)		(Level 3)
Assets (at fair value): Money Market Mutual Funds										
included in Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	49,454,004	\$	_	\$	49,454,004	\$	-	\$	
Other Investments:										
Bond and Equity Securities	\$	39,295,201	\$	-	\$	38,522,139	\$	773,062	\$	-
Investments in Unconsolidated Limited Partnerships		40,634,714		40,634,714		-		-		-
Total Other Investments	\$	79,929,915	\$	40,634,714	\$	38,522,139	\$	773,062	\$	-
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Liabilities (at fair value): Common Stocks	\$	5,495,513	\$	-	\$	5,495,513	\$	-	\$	-

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## NOTE 6 - Fair Value Measurements (cont.)

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				Measured		Markets		Other		Significant
				at		for Identical	(	Observable	I	Unobservable
				Net Asset		Assets		Inputs		Inputs
		Total		Value		(Level 1)		(Level 2)		(Level 3)
Assets (at fair value):										
Money Market Mutual Funds										
included in Cash	¢	40.054.501	¢		¢	40.054.501	¢		¢	
and Cash Equivalents	\$	48,854,581	\$	-	\$	48,854,581	\$	-	\$	-
Other Investments:										
Bond and Equity Securities	\$	19,671,552	\$	-	\$	18,932,596	\$	738,956	\$	-
Investments in Unconsolidated										
Limited Partnerships		30,575,834		30,575,834		-		-		-
Total other Investments	\$	50,247,386	\$	30,575,834	\$	18,932,596	\$	738,956	\$	
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Liabilities (at fair value): Common Stocks	¢	4,130,837	\$	-	\$	4,130,837	\$		\$	
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## **NOTE 7 - Income Taxes**

The Company files a consolidated federal income tax return and a combined state/city tax return with its whollyowned subsidiary, Fromex Equities Corp. The Company records adjustments related to prior years' taxes during the period when they are identified, generally when the tax returns are filed. The effect of these adjustments on the current and prior periods (during which the differences originated) is evaluated based upon quantitative and qualitative factors and are considered in relation to the consolidated financial statements taken as a whole for the respective periods. These adjustments have not been significant to the Company's financial statements.

On December 22, 2017, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 (the "Act"), was enacted by the U.S. federal government. The Act provides for significant changes to corporate taxation including the decrease of the federal corporate tax rate to 21% in the fiscal year ending May 31, 2018. Section 15 of the Internal Revenue Code stipulates that the Company's fiscal year ending May 31, 2018, will have a blended federal corporate tax rate of 28.62%, which is based on the applicable tax rates and the number of days before and after the Act.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## NOTE 7 - Income Taxes (cont.)

The provision for income taxes is comprised of the following for the years ended May 31:

	Years Ended May 31,							
			2017					
Current								
Federal	\$	1,472,693	\$	1,466,085				
State and City		498,739		358,982				
Total Current		1,971,432		1,825,067				
Deferred								
Federal		(88,887)		1,555,094				
State and City		(500,449)		(118,853)				
Total Deferred		(589,336)		1,436,241				
Total Provision for Income Taxes	\$	1,382,096	\$	3,261,308				

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined using the enacted tax rates applicable to the period the temporary differences are expected to be recovered. Accordingly, the current period income tax provision is affected by the enactment of new tax rates. The net deferred income taxes on the balance sheets reflect temporary differences between the carrying amounts of the assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and income tax purposes, tax effected at a various rates depending on whether the temporary differences are subject to federal taxes, state and city taxes, or both. The Company has accounted for the material impacts of the Act by re-measuring its deferred tax liabilities at the 21% enacted tax rate as of May 31, 2018. The impact of the change in tax rate was a decrease in deferred income tax liabilities of \$4,530,890 with a corresponding increase in deferred income tax benefit. The Company's net deferred income tax liability as of May 31, 2017 remains at the previously enacted tax rate.

Deferred income tax liability for unrealized gains included within AOCI that were re-measured due to the Act resulted in a stranded tax effect within AOCI. This is due to the effect of the tax rate change being recorded through continuing operations as required under Accounting Standards Codification 740. On February 14, 2018, Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update 2018-02, Income Statement – Reporting Comprehensive Income (Topic 220) – Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income ("ASU 2018-02"), which allows for the reclassification of the stranded tax effects as a result of the Act from AOCI to retained earnings and requires certain other disclosures. The Company chose to early adopt the provisions of ASU 2018-02 and recorded a one-time reclassification of \$63,193 from AOCI to retained earnings for the stranded tax effects resulting from the newly enacted federal corporate tax rate. The amount of the reclassification was the difference between the historical corporate tax rate and the newly enacted 21% corporate tax rate (see Consolidated Statement of Consolidated Stockholders' Equity).

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## NOTE 7 - Income Taxes (cont.)

Upon completion of the 2017 U.S. income tax return in 2018 the Company may identify additional re-measurement adjustments to its recorded deferred tax liabilities and the one-time transition tax. The Company will continue to assess its provision for income taxes as future guidance is issued, but do not currently anticipate significant revisions will be necessary. Any such revisions will be treated in accordance with the measurement period guidance outlined in Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 118.

The tax effects of temporary differences which give rise to the deferred tax liability consist of the following as of May 31, 2018 and 2017:

	May 31, 2018		May 31, 2017	
Deferred Tax Liability				
Investments in limited partnerships	\$	95,958	\$	20,568
Investment in unconsolidated limited liability companies		181,946		283,089
Deferral of gain from like-kind exchange		2,861,312		4,396,011
Unrealized gain from investments		4,475,351		3,586,360
Unrealized gain from investments included in				
other comprehensive income		142,055		555,999
Total Deferred Tax Liability	<u>\$</u>	7,756,622	\$	8,842,027

A reconciliation of the federal statutory rate to the effective tax rate is as follows for the years ended May 31, 2018 and 2017:

	2018	2017		
Income before taxes	\$ 15,605,398 100.00%	\$ 6,915,986 100.00%		
Computed expected tax expense	\$ 4,466,265 28.62%	\$ 2,351,435 34.00%		
Change in enacted tax rates on net deferred tax liabilities	(4,530,890) -29.03%	- 0.00%		
State and City taxes, net of federal benefit	357,978 2.29%	128,626 1.86%		
Permanent differences	1,147,527 7.35%	546,737 7.91%		
True-up of prior year tax	52,496 0.34%	302,592 4.38%		
Other	(111,280) -0.71%	(68,082) -0.99%		
Total Provision for Income Taxes	\$ 1,382,096 8.86%	\$ 3,261,308 47.16%		

The Company filed its corporate tax returns for the years ended May 31, 2017 and 2016 during the three months ended February 28, 2018 and 2017. Due to the nature and timing of income tax pass-through items, actual taxable pass-through items from investment partnerships and unconsolidated limited liability companies can differ from estimated amounts. For the years ended May 31, 2018 and 2017, the filing of the corporate tax returns resulted in tax true-ups of \$52,496 and \$302,592, respectively, primarily due to differences in pass through items.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

## NOTE 8 - Net Income Per Common Share and Per Common Share Equivalent

Basic and diluted earnings per common share is calculated by dividing net income allocated to common stock by the weighted average common shares outstanding during the period. The weighted average number of shares of common stock used in the calculation of diluted earnings per share is adjusted for the dilutive effects of potential common shares including the assumed exercise of vested stock options based on the treasury stock method. Assumed exercise or conversion of potential common shares is only when the weighted average market price for the period exceeds the exercise price and the conversion price, and that the entity records earnings from continuing operations, as the inclusion of such adjustments would otherwise be anti-dilutive to earnings per share from continuing operations.

Potential common shares consist of the following for the years ended May 31:

	2018	2017	
Unexercised Stock Options	99,000	111,626	

As of May 31, 2018 and 2017 there were 83,000 and 87,626 vested options, respectively, with an exercise price below the weighted average market price of the Company's common stock during the period.

The reconciliation of the weighted average number of common shares used in the calculation of basic and diluted earnings per common share follows for the years ended May 31:

	2018	2017
Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding Effect of Dilutive Securities,	43,959,554	43,953,155
common share equivalents: Exercise of stock options	48,274	46,860
Dilutive Potential Common Share Equivalents	44,007,828	44,000,015

## **NOTE 9 - Noncash Compensation**

Noncash compensation expense represents a notional salary allocation for the Company's senior officers. The officers of the Company are responsible for all of the Company's operations and have agreed to not draw any cash salaries for an indefinite period. Noncash compensation expense is recorded as an increase to additional paid-in capital.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of and for the Years Ended May 31, 2018 and 2017

# NOTE 10 - Stockholders' Equity

## Redeemable Preferred Stock

The number of authorized Series R preferred shares is 5,000 with a par value of \$.001 per share. These shares are each convertible to 1,000 shares of the Company's common stock at the option of either the Company or the holder. The Company is required to redeem them at \$1,000 per share upon the request of a holder. These shares have one vote per share on all matters that common stock can vote upon. Upon liquidation, there is preference to the extent of \$1,000 per share. No dividends may be paid on common stock unless a dividend per share of 1,000% of common stock dividends is paid on the preferred stock. There were no shares of preferred stock outstanding as of May 31, 2018 and 2017.

## Stock Options

A summary of option activity as of May 31, 2018, and changes during year then ended, is as follows:

Stock Options	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price Per Share		Average Number of Exercise Price		Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value	
Outstanding at June 1, 2017 Granted Exercised Forfeited	111,626 8,000 (20,626)	\$	3.50 6.00 2.03	3.12 6.35	\$	189,079 18,000 117,359		
Outstanding at May 31, 2018	99,000	<u>\$</u>	4.00	2.64	<u>\$</u>	427,700		
Vested and Exercisable at May 31, 2018	99,000	<u>\$</u>	4.00	2.64	<u>\$</u>	427,700		

All stock options were vested as of May 31, 2018 and 2017.

The aggregate intrinsic value of options outstanding and options exercisable at May 31, 2018 and 2017 is calculated as the difference between the exercise price of the underlying options and the market price of FRMO's common stock for the shares that had exercise prices that were lower than the \$8.25 and \$4.40 closing price of FRMO's common stock on May 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

As of May 31, 2018, there was no unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested options.