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PUBLIC STORAGE, INC.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

MAY 9, 2002

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Public Storage, Inc., a California corporation (the "Company"), will be held at the Hilton Glendale, 100 West Glenoaks Boulevard, Glendale, California, on May 9, 2002, at the hour of 1:00 p.m. Los Angeles time, for the following purposes:

1. To elect directors for the ensuing year.
2. To vote upon amendments to the Certificates of Determination of various series of Preferred Stock of the Company to reclassify the shares of each of such series into redesignated series of Preferred Stock upon approval by the holders of 662/3% of the shares of an affected series.
3. To consider and act upon such other matters as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment of the meeting.

The Board of Directors has determined that only holders of record of Common Stock and Depositary Shares ("Depositary Shares") Each Representing 1/1,000 of a Share of Equity Stock, Series A ("Equity Stock") at the close of business on March 15, 2002 will be entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the meeting or any adjournment of the meeting. Each Depositary Share represents 1/1,000 of a share of Equity Stock, which has been deposited with EquiServe Trust Company, N. A., as Depositary (the "Depositary").

Please mark your vote on the enclosed Proxy/Instruction Card, then date, sign and promptly mail the Proxy/Instruction Card in the stamped return envelope included with these materials.

Holders of record of Common Stock and Depositary Shares are cordially invited to attend the meeting in person. If a holder of Common Stock and/or Depositary Shares does attend and has already signed and returned the Proxy/Instruction Card, the holder may nevertheless change his or her vote at the meeting, in which case the holder's Proxy/Instruction Card will be disregarded. Therefore, whether or not you presently intend to attend the meeting in person, you are urged to mark your vote on the Proxy/Instruction Card, date, sign and return it.

By Order of the Board of Directors

David Goldberg, Secretary

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Glendale, California  
April 9, 2002

PUBLIC STORAGE, INC.

701 Western Avenue  
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PROXY STATEMENT

ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

May 9, 2002

GENERAL

This Proxy Statement (first mailed to shareholders on or about April 11, 2002) is furnished in connection with the solicitation by the Board of Directors of Public Storage, Inc. (the "Company") of proxies for use at the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held at the Hilton Glendale, 100 West Glenoaks Boulevard, Glendale, California at 1:00 p.m. Los Angeles time on May 9, 2002 or at any adjournment of the meeting. The purposes of the meeting are: (1) to elect ten directors of the Company; (2) to vote upon amendments to the Certificates of Determination of various series of Preferred Stock of the Company to reclassify the shares of each of such series into redesignated series of Preferred Stock upon approval by the holders of 66 2/3% of the shares of an affected series; and (3) to consider such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting or any adjournment of the meeting.

QUORUM AND VOTING

Record Date and Quorum

Only holders of record of Common Stock and Depositary Shares ("Depositary Shares") Each Representing 1/1,000 of a Share of Equity Stock, Series A ("Equity Stock") at the close of business on March 15, 2002 (the "Record Date") will be entitled to vote at the meeting, or at any adjournment of the meeting. Each Depositary Share represents 1/1,000 of one share of Equity Stock. The Equity Stock has been deposited with EquiServe Trust Company, N. A., as Depositary (the "Depositary"). On the Record Date, the Company had 115,778,875 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding and 8,776,102 Depositary Shares, representing 8,776.102 shares of Equity Stock, issued and outstanding.

The presence at the meeting in person or by proxy of the holders of a majority of the voting power represented by the outstanding shares of Common Stock and Equity Stock, counted together as a single class, is necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Voting of Proxy/Instruction Card

If a Proxy/Instruction Card in the accompanying form is properly executed and is received before the voting, the persons designated as proxies will vote the shares of Common Stock represented thereby, if any, in the manner specified, and the Depositary will vote the Equity Stock underlying the Depositary Shares represented thereby, if any, in the manner specified. If no

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specification is made, the persons designated as proxies will vote the shares of Common Stock represented by the Proxy/Instruction Card, if any, and the Depositary will vote the Equity Stock underlying the Depositary Shares represented by the Proxy/Instruction Card, if any, FOR the election as directors of the nominees named below and for the approval of proposal (2). If any nominee becomes unavailable to serve, the persons designated as proxies and the Depositary will vote for the person, if any, designated by the Board of Directors to replace that nominee. A Proxy/Instruction Card is revocable by delivering a subsequently signed and dated Proxy/Instruction Card or other written notice to the Company or the Depositary at any time before the voting. A Proxy/Instruction Card may also be revoked if the person executing the Proxy/Instruction Card is present at the meeting and chooses to vote in person.

If you participate in the PS 401(k)/Profit Sharing Plan (the "401(k) Plan"), your Proxy/Instruction Card will also serve as a voting instruction for the trustee of the 401(k) Plan (the "Trustee") with respect to

the amount of shares of Common Stock and/or Depositary Shares credited to your account as of the Record Date. If you provide voting instructions via your Proxy/Instruction Card with respect to shares in the 401(k) Plan, the Trustee will vote those shares of Common Stock in the manner specified and/or the Trustee will instruct the Depositary to vote the Equity Stock underlying those Depositary Shares in the manner specified. If you execute and return the Proxy/Instruction Card without a specific voting instruction with respect to shares in the 401(k) Plan, the Trustee will vote those shares of Common Stock, and will instruct the Depositary to vote the Equity Stock underlying those Depositary Shares, FOR the election as directors of the nominees named below and for the approval of proposal (2). If a properly executed Proxy/Instruction Card with respect to shares in the 401(k) Plan is not received by the Trustee, the Trustee will vote those shares of Common Stock at its discretion and/or the Trustee at its discretion will instruct the Depositary with respect to the voting of the Equity Stock underlying those Depositary Shares.

Holders of Common Stock and holders of Equity Stock vote together as one class. With respect to the election of directors, (i) each holder of Common Stock on the Record Date is entitled to cast as many votes as there are directors to be elected multiplied by the number of shares registered in his name on the Record Date and (ii) each holder of Equity Stock is entitled to cast as many votes as there are directors to be elected multiplied by 100 times the number of shares of Equity Stock registered in its name (equivalent to 1/10 the number of Depositary Shares registered in the holder's name). The holder may cumulate his votes for directors by casting all of his votes for one candidate or by distributing his votes among as many candidates as he chooses. The ten candidates who receive the most votes will be elected directors of the Company. In voting upon proposal (2) and any other proposal that might properly come before the meeting, each outstanding share of Common Stock entitles the holder to one vote and each outstanding share of Equity Stock entitles the holder to 100 votes (equivalent to 1/10 of a vote per Depositary Share). The number of votes required to approve proposal (2) is set forth in the description of the proposal in this Proxy Statement.

### PROPOSAL NO. 1

#### ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Ten directors, constituting the entire Board of Directors, are to be elected at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders, to hold office until the next annual meeting and until their successors are elected and qualified. When the accompanying Proxy/Instruction Card is properly executed and returned before

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the voting, the persons designated as proxies and the Trustee will vote the shares of Common Stock represented thereby, if any, and the Depositary will vote the Equity Stock underlying the Depositary Shares represented thereby, if any, in the manner indicated on the Proxy/Instruction Card. If any nominee below becomes unavailable for any reason or if any vacancy on the Company's Board of Directors occurs before the election, the shares of Common Stock and/or the shares of Equity Stock underlying Depositary Shares represented by a Proxy/Instruction Card voted for that nominee, will be voted for the person, if any, designated by the Board of Directors to replace the nominee or to fill the vacancy on the Board. However, the Board of Directors has no reason to believe that any nominee will be unavailable or that any vacancy on the Board of Directors will occur. The following persons are nominees for director:

| Name                   | Age | Director Since |
|------------------------|-----|----------------|
| B. Wayne Hughes        | 68  | 1980           |
| Harvey Lenkin          | 65  | 1991           |
| Marvin M. Lotz         | 59  | 1999           |
| B. Wayne Hughes, Jr.   | 42  | 1998           |
| Robert J. Abernethy    | 62  | 1980           |
| Dann V. Angeloff       | 66  | 1980           |
| William C. Baker       | 68  | 1991           |
| Thomas J. Barrack, Jr. | 54  | 1998           |
| Uri P. Harkham         | 53  | 1993           |
| Daniel C. Staton       | 49  | 1999           |

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B. Wayne Hughes has been a director of the Company since its organization in 1980 and was President and Co-Chief Executive Officer from 1980 until November 1991 when he became Chairman of Board and sole Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Hughes was Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer from 1990 until March 1998 of Public Storage Properties XI, Inc., which was renamed PS Business Parks, Inc. ("PSBP"), an affiliated REIT. From 1989-90 until the respective dates of merger, he was Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of 18 affiliated REITs that were merged into the Company between September 1994 and May 1998 (collectively, the "Merged Public Storage REITs"). Mr. Hughes has been active in the real estate investment field for over 30 years. He is the father of B. Wayne Hughes, Jr.

Harvey Lenkin became President and a director of the Company in November 1991. Mr. Lenkin has been employed by the Company for 24 years. He has been a director of PSBP since March 1998 and was President of PSBP (formerly Public Storage Properties XI, Inc.) from 1990 until March 1998. Mr. Lenkin was President of the Merged Public Storage REITs from 1989-90 until the respective dates of merger and was also a director of one of those REITs, Storage Properties, Inc. ("SPI"), from 1989 until June 1996. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors of the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, Inc. (NAREIT).

Marvin M. Lotz became a director of the Company in May 1999. Mr. Lotz has been a Senior Vice President of the Company since November 1995 and President of the Property Management Division since 1988 with overall responsibility for the Company's mini-warehouse operations. He had overall responsibility for the Company's property acquisitions from 1983 until 1988.

B. Wayne Hughes, Jr. became a director of the Company in January 1998. He has been employed by the Company since 1989 and has been Vice President - Acquisitions of the Company since 1992. Mr. Hughes, Jr. is involved in the coordination and direction of the Company's acquisition and development

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activities and is also president of a firm that manufacturers and distributes sweets. He is the son of B. Wayne Hughes.

Robert J. Abernethy, Chairman of the Audit Committee, has been President of American Standard Development Company and of Self-Storage Management Company, which develop and operate mini-warehouses, since 1976 and 1977, respectively. Mr. Abernethy has been a director of the Company since its organization. He is a member of the board of trustees of Johns Hopkins University, a director of Marathon National Bank, a member of the California State Board of Education and California State Arts Council and a former California Transportation Commissioner. Mr. Abernethy is a former member of the board of directors of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, a former Planning Commissioner and Telecommunications Commissioner and the former Vice-Chairman of the Economic Development Commission of the City of Los Angeles.

Dann V. Angeloff has been President of the Angeloff Company, a corporate financial advisory firm, since 1976. The Angeloff Company has rendered, and is expected to continue to render, financial advisory and securities brokerage services for the Company. Mr. Angeloff is the general partner of a limited partnership that owns a mini-warehouse operated by the Company and which secures a note owned by the Company. Mr. Angeloff has been a director of the Company since its organization. He is a director of AremisSoft Corporation, Balboa Capital Corporation, Nicholas/Applegate Fund, ReadyPac Produce, Inc., Royce Medical Company and xDimensional Technologies, Inc. He was a director of SPI from 1989 until June 1996.

William C. Baker, a member of the Audit Committee and Chairman of the Executive Equity Awards Committee, became a director of the Company in November 1991. Since 1970, Mr. Baker has been a partner in Baker & Simpson, a private investment entity. From August 1998 through April 2000, he was President and Treasurer of Meditrust Operating Company, a real estate investment trust. From April 1996 to December 1998, Mr. Baker was Chief Executive Officer of Santa Anita Companies, which then operated the Santa Anita Racetrack. From April 1993 through May 1995, he was President of Red Robin International, Inc., an operator and franchisor of casual dining restaurants in the United States and Canada. From January 1992 through December 1995, Mr. Baker was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Carolina Restaurant Enterprises, Inc., a franchisee of Red Robin International, Inc. From 1991 to 1999, he was Chairman of the Board of Coast Newport Properties, a real estate brokerage company. From 1976 to 1988, Mr. Baker was a principal shareholder and Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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of Del Taco, Inc., an operator and franchisor of fast food restaurants in California. He is a director of Callaway Golf Company and La Quinta, Inc.

Thomas J. Barrack, Jr. became a director of the Company in February 1998. Since 1991, Mr. Barrack has been Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Colony Capital, LLC and Colony Advisors, LLC, which are international real estate investment and management firms. Mr. Barrack is a director of Continental Airlines, Inc., Kennedy-Wilson, Inc. and First Republic Bank.

Uri P. Harkham became a director of the Company in March 1993. Mr. Harkham has been the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Jonathan Martin Fashion Group, which specializes in designing, manufacturing and marketing women's clothing, since its organization in 1976. Since 1978, Mr. Harkham has been the Chairman of the Board of Harkham Properties, a real estate firm specializing in buying and managing fashion warehouses in Los Angeles.

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Daniel C. Staton, a member of the Audit Committee and of the Executive Equity Awards Committee, became a director of the Company in March 1999 in connection with the merger of Storage Trust Realty, a real estate investment trust, with the Company. Mr. Staton was Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Storage Trust Realty from February 1998 until March 1999 and a Trustee of Storage Trust Realty from November 1994 until March 1999. He is President of Walnut Capital Partners, an investment and venture capital company. Mr. Staton was the Chief Operating Officer and Executive Vice President of Duke Realty Investments, Inc. from 1993 to 1997 and a director of Duke Realty Investments, Inc. from 1993 until August 1999. From 1981 to 1993, Mr. Staton was a principal owner of Duke Associates, the predecessor of Duke Realty Investments, Inc. Prior to joining Duke Associates in 1981, he was a partner and general manager of his own moving company, Gateway Van & Storage, Inc. in St. Louis, Missouri. From 1986 to 1988, Mr. Staton served as president of the Greater Cincinnati Chapter of the National Association of Industrial and Office Parks.

### Directors and Committee Meetings

During 2001, the Board of Directors held nine meetings (and acted once by unanimous written consent), the Audit Committee held four meetings and the Executive Equity Awards Committee acted once by unanimous written consent. During 2001, each of the directors, except for Thomas J. Barrack, Jr. and Uri P. Harkham, attended at least 75% of the meetings held by the Board of Directors or, if a member of a committee of the Board of Directors, held by both the Board of Directors and all committees of the Board of Directors on which he served.

The primary functions of the Audit Committee are to meet with the Company's outside auditors, to conduct a pre-audit review of the audit engagement, to conduct a post-audit review of the results of the audit, to oversee the Company's accounting and financial reporting policies, to monitor the adequacy of internal financial controls of the Company, to review the independence of the outside auditors and to make recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding the appointment and retention of auditors. The Company does not have a compensation or a nominating committee. Executive officers receive grants of awards under the Stock Option and Incentive Plans with the approval of the Executive Equity Awards Committee.

### Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners

The following table sets forth information as of the dates indicated with respect to persons known to the Company to be the beneficial owners of more than 5% of the outstanding shares of the Common Stock ("Common Shares") or the Depositary Shares:

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| Name and Address | Shares of Common Stock<br>Beneficially Owned |                     | Depositary<br>Representing<br>Share of Eq<br>Series A Be |
|------------------|--|---------------------|--|
|                  | Number<br>of Shares                          | Percent<br>of Class | Number<br>of Shares                                      |
|                  |  |                     |  |

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|  |            |       |           |
|--|------------|-------|-----------|
| B. Wayne Hughes, B. Wayne Hughes,<br>Jr., Tamara Hughes Gustavson,<br>701 Western Avenue,<br>Glendale, California 91201-2349 (1) | 39,270,339 | 33.9% | 1,282,097 |
| Cohen Steers Capital Management, Inc.<br>757 Third Avenue<br>New York, New York 10017 (2)  | (3)        | (3)   | 877,300   |

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(1) This information is as of February 28, 2002 (except that the percent shown in the table is based on the Common Shares outstanding at March 15, 2002). Each of the persons listed above disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by any other person listed above. For information on share ownership of B. Wayne Hughes and B. Wayne Hughes, Jr. see "Security Ownership of Management." (Tamara Hughes Gustavson beneficially owns an aggregate of 17,434,260 Common Shares (exclusive of 11,348 shares owned jointly with Mr. Hughes, Jr.) and 1,192,923 Depositary Shares (exclusive of 43 shares owned jointly with Mr. Hughes, Jr.) or approximately 15.1% of the Common Shares and 13.6% of the Depositary Shares outstanding as of March 15, 2002).

The above table does not include 7,000,000 shares of the Company's Class B Common Stock which are owned by B. Wayne Hughes, Jr. and Tamara Hughes Gustavson. The Class B Common Stock is convertible into Common Stock on a share-for-share basis upon satisfaction of certain conditions, but in no event earlier than January 1, 2003.

(2) This information is as of December 31, 2001 (except that the percent shown is based on the Depositary Shares outstanding at March 15, 2002) and is based on a Schedule 13G filed by Cohen & Steers Capital Management, Inc. ("CSCM"), an investment adviser registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940. CSCM has sole voting power of 850,500 Depositary Shares and sole dispositive power of 877,300 Depositary Shares.

(3) Less than 5%.

Security Ownership of Management

The following table sets forth information as of February 28, 2002 concerning the beneficial ownership of the Common Shares and the Depositary Shares of each director of the Company, the Company's Chief Executive Officer, the four most highly compensated persons who were executive officers of the Company on December 31, 2001 and all directors and executive officers as a group:

|       |  |         |  |
|-------|--|---------|--|
|       | Shares of Common Stock:<br>Beneficially Owned(1)<br>Shares Subject to Options(2) |         | Depositary S<br>1/1,000 of a<br>Series A Ben |
| Name  | Number of Shares   | Percent | Number of S                                  |
| ----- | -----  | -----   | -----  |



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|  |                                       |       |             |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------|-------------|
| B. Wayne Hughes                                    | 20,646,824                            | 17.8% | 54,313      |
| Harvey Lenkin                                      | 97,437 (3)                            | *     | 3,303 (3)   |
|  | 215,332 (2)                           | .2%   |             |
|  | -----                                 | ---   |             |
|  | 312,769                               | .3%   |             |
| Marvin M. Lotz                                     | 77,258                                | *     | 5,336       |
|  | 170,332 (2)                           | .1%   |             |
|  | -----                                 | ---   |             |
|  | 247,590                               | .2%   |             |
| B. Wayne Hughes, Jr.                               | 1,189,255 (4)                         | 1.0%  | 34,861 (4)  |
| Robert J. Abernethy                                | 66,568                                | *     | 2,108       |
|  | 14,999 (2)                            | *     |             |
|  | -----                                 | ---   |             |
|  | 81,567                                | *     |             |
| Dann V. Angeloff                                   | 78,500 (5)                            | *     | --          |
|  | 9,999 (2)                             | *     |             |
|  | -----                                 | ---   |             |
|  | 88,499                                | *     |             |
| William C. Baker                                   | 20,000                                | *     | 455         |
|  | 14,999 (2)                            | *     |             |
|  | -----                                 | ---   |             |
|  | 34,999                                | *     |             |
| Thomas J. Barrack, Jr.                             | --                                    | --    | --          |
|  | 17,500 (2)                            | *     |             |
|  | -----                                 | ---   |             |
|  | 17,500                                | *     |             |
| Uri P. Harkham                                     | 45,829 (6)                            | *     | 555 (6)     |
|  | 7,499 (2)                             | *     |             |
|  | -----                                 | ---   |             |
|  | 53,328                                | *     |             |
| Daniel C. Staton                                   | 1,458                                 | *     | 47          |
|  | 25,239 (2)                            | *     |             |
|  | -----                                 | ---   |             |
|  | 26,697                                | *     |             |
| John Reyes   | 21,378                                | *     | 1,542       |
|  | 209,999 (2)                           | .2%   |             |
|  | -----                                 | ---   |             |
|  | 231,377                               | .2%   |             |
| W. David Ristig                                    | --                                    | *     |             |
|  | 83,332 (2)                            | .1%   |             |
|  | -----                                 | ---   |             |
|  | 83,332                                | .1%   |             |
| All Directors and Executive Officers<br>as a Group | 22,284,737 (1) (3) (4) (5)<br>(6) (7) | 19.2% | 104,611 (1) |
| (17 persons)                                       | 1,322,725 (2)                         | 1.1%  |             |
|  | -----                                 | ---   |             |
|  | 23,607,462                            | 20.4% |             |

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- \* Less than 0.1%
- (1) Common Shares or Depositary Shares, as applicable, beneficially owned as of February 28, 2002. Except as otherwise indicated and subject to applicable community property and similar statutes, the persons listed as beneficial owners of the shares have sole voting and investment power with respect to such shares. Includes shares credited to the accounts of the executive officers of the Company that are held in the 401(k) Plan as of December 31, 2001.
- (2) Represents vested portion as of February 28, 2002, and portion of which will be vested within 60 days of February 28, 2002, of Common Shares subject to options granted to the named individuals or the group under the Company's stock option and incentive plans.
- (3) Includes 3,126 Common Shares held of record or beneficially by Mrs. Lenkin or a son as to which each has investment power.
- Includes 360 Depositary Shares held of record or beneficially by Mrs. Lenkin or a son as to which each has investment power.
- (4) Includes 44,159 Common Shares, held of record or beneficially by Mrs. Hughes, Jr. or her children as to which Mrs. Hughes, Jr. has investment power and 11,348 Common Shares held by Mr. Hughes, Jr. and Tamara Hughes Gustavson - Separate Property.
- Includes 1,371 Depositary Shares held of record or beneficially by Mrs. Hughes, Jr. or her children as to which Mrs. Hughes has investment power and 43 Depositary Shares held by Mr. Hughes, Jr. and Tamara Hughes Gustavson - Separate Property.
- (5) Includes 2,000 Common Shares held by Mrs. Angeloff as to which she has investment power.
- (6) Includes 5,071 Common Shares owned beneficially by two of Mr. Harkham's children as to which each has investment power.
- Includes 153 Depositary Shares owned beneficially by two of Mr. Harkham's children as to which each has investment power.
- (7) Includes shares held of record or beneficially by members of the immediate family of executive officers of the Company and shares credited to the accounts of the executive officers of the Company that are held in the 401(k) Plan.

As of February 28, 2002, B. Wayne Hughes, Jr. owned 3,204,758 shares of the Company's Class B Common Stock, representing 45.8% of the outstanding shares of Class B Common Stock. For information on the Class B Common Stock, see note (1) to the table in "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners."

The Company has outstanding a class of preferred stock, consisting of various series of non-voting senior preferred stock. As of February 28, 2002, B. Wayne Hughes, Jr. owned 400 shares of preferred stock, as to which he shared investment power, Robert J. Abernethy owned 225 shares of preferred stock and the directors and executive officers of the Company as a

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group owned a total of 625 shares of preferred stock, representing less than 0.1% of the outstanding shares.

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### SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 requires the Company's directors and executive officers, and persons who own more than 10% of any registered class of the Company's equity securities ("10% owners"), to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") initial reports (on Form 3) of ownership of the Company's equity securities and to file subsequent reports (on Form 4 or Form 5) when there are changes in such ownership. The due dates of such reports are established by statute and the rules of the SEC. Based on a review of the reports submitted to the Company, the Company believes that, with respect to the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001, Uri P. Harkham, a director of the Company, failed to file on a timely basis one report on Form 4 to report two transactions.

### COMPENSATION

#### Compensation of Executive Officers

The following table sets forth certain information concerning the annual and long-term compensation paid to B. Wayne Hughes, the Company's Chief Executive Officer, and the four most highly compensated persons who were executive officers of the Company on December 31, 2001 (the "Named Executive Officers") for 2001, 2000 and 1999.

| Name and<br>Principal Position   | Year | Summary Compensation Table |           |                                  | Long-<br>Compen-<br>sa-<br>tion |
|--|------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|  |      | Salary                     | Bonus     | Other Annual<br>Compensation (1) |                                 |
| B. Wayne Hughes<br>Chairman of the Board<br>and Chief Executive<br>Officer | 2001 | \$ 60,000 (3)              | --        | \$19,300                         |                                 |
|  | 2000 | 60,000 (3)                 | --        | 27,400                           |                                 |
|  | 1999 | 60,000 (3)                 | --        | 27,600                           |                                 |
| Harvey Lenkin (4)<br>President   | 2001 | 265,000                    | \$150,500 | (6)                              |                                 |
|  | 2000 | 257,100 (5)                | 150,500   | (6)                              | 160,0                           |
|  | 1999 | 246,700 (7)                | 175,500   | (6)                              | 60,0                            |
| Marvin M. Lotz<br>Senior Vice President                                    | 2001 | 285,000                    | 199,500   | (6)                              |                                 |
|  | 2000 | 279,400 (8)                | 200,500   | (6)                              | 160,0                           |
|  | 1999 | 214,600 (9)                | 250,500   | (6)                              | 60,0                            |
| John Reyes<br>Senior Vice President<br>and Chief Financial<br>Officer      | 2001 | 200,000                    | 155,500   | (6)                              |                                 |
|  | 2000 | 188,500                    | 150,500   | (6)                              | 160,0                           |
|  | 1999 | 130,000                    | 180,500   | (6)                              | 60,0                            |
| W. David Ristig<br>Senior Vice President                                   | 2001 | 212,000                    | 120,500   | (6)                              |                                 |
|  | 2000 | 143,800                    | 178,500   | (6)                              | 100,0                           |

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1999 125,000 148,000 (6) 30,0

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- (1) Other Annual Compensation consists solely of use of a company car or a car allowance.
  - (2) All Other Compensation consists solely of employer contributions to the 401(k) Plan.
  - (3) See "Employment Agreement" below.
  - (4) Does not include directors' fees of PSBP.

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- (5) Includes \$246,700 of salary and \$10,400 of directors' fees and meeting fees.
- (6) Value did not exceed 10% of the annual salary and bonus of the individual for the years indicated.
- (7) Includes \$225,000 of salary and \$21,700 of directors' fees and meeting fees of the Company.
- (8) Includes \$269,000 of salary and \$10,400 of directors' fees and meeting fees of the Company.
- (9) Includes \$199,000 of salary and \$15,600 of directors' fees and meeting fees of the Company.

No options to purchase shares of Common Stock were granted to the Named Executive Officers during 2001.

The following table sets forth certain information concerning exercised and unexercised options held by the Named Executive Officers at December 31, 2001.

Aggregated Option Exercises in Last Fiscal Year and Fiscal Year-End Option Value

| Name            | Shares<br>Acquired on<br>Exercise (#) | Value<br>Realized(\$) | Number of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Unexercised Options<br>at December 31, 2001 |               | Exe |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|---------------|-----|
|                 |                                       |                       | Exercisable   | Unexercisable |     |
| B. Wayne Hughes | --                                    | --                    | --  | --            |     |
| Harvey Lenkin   | 10,000                                | \$101,450             | 215,332   | 126,668       | \$  |
| Marvin M. Lotz  | 80,000                                | 1,125,904             | 170,332   | 126,668       |     |
| John Reyes      | 1,667                                 | 19,687                | 209,999   | 126,668       |     |
| W. David Ristig | --                                    | --                    | 83,332  | 76,668        |     |

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- (1) Based on closing price of \$33.40 per share of Common Stock on December 31, 2001, as reported by the New York Stock Exchange. On April 5, 2002, the closing price per share of Common Stock as reported by the New York Stock Exchange was \$37.73.

### Compensation of Directors

Each of the Company's directors, other than B. Wayne Hughes, Harvey Lenkin and Marvin M. Lotz, receives director's fees of \$19,000 per year plus \$450 for each meeting attended. In addition, each of the members of the Audit Committee (other than the chairman, who receives \$1,300 per meeting) receives \$1,000 for each meeting of the Audit Committee attended. Each of the members of the Executive Equity Awards Committee receives \$500 for each meeting of the committee attended. The policy of the Company is to reimburse directors for reasonable expenses. Under the 2001 Stock Option and Incentive Plan, each director who is not an officer or employee of the Company ("Outside Director") is, upon the date of his or her initial election to serve as an Outside Director, automatically granted non-qualified options to purchase 15,000 shares of Common Stock. In addition, after each annual meeting of shareholders, each Outside Director then duly elected and serving is automatically granted, as of the date of such annual meeting, non-qualified options to purchase 2,500 shares of Common Stock, so long as such person has attended, in person or by telephone, at least 75% of the meetings held by the Board of Directors during the immediately preceding calendar year.

### Employment Agreement

B. Wayne Hughes, the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, entered into an employment agreement with the Company in November 1995 in connection with the merger of Public Storage Management, Inc. into the Company. This agreement was for a term of five years (which ended in November 2000) and provided for annual compensation of \$60,000.

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## COMPENSATION COMMITTEE INTERLOCKS AND INSIDER PARTICIPATION

The Company does not have a compensation committee. Messrs. Hughes, Lenkin, Lotz and Hughes, Jr., who are officers of the Company, are members of the Board of Directors.

### Certain Relationships and Related Transactions

Development Joint Venture with Affiliate. In November 1999, the Company, through wholly owned entities ("PSA"), formed a joint venture (the "Development JV") to develop and own approximately \$100 million of mini-warehouses and \$100 million of shares of the Company's Equity Stock, Series AAA. The partners of the Development JV are PSA and a limited liability company (the "Investor LLC"). The members of the Investor LLC are a state pension plan (the "Investor") and B. Wayne Hughes. The Development JV is being capitalized with approximately \$200 million; PSA is contributing approximately \$102 million and has a 51% ownership interest and the Investor LLC is contributing approximately \$98 million and has a 49% ownership interest. The term of the Development JV is 15 years. The Investor LLC has the right at the end of the sixth year to cause an early termination of the Development JV. Operating cash flow (as defined) from the Development JV is distributed as follows: (1) during the first through sixth years of the Development JV, (a) 100% to the Investor LLC until the Investor LLC has received cumulative distributions equal to a 10% compounded return on its investment and (b) then, 100% to be reinvested by the

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Development JV; and (2) during the seventh through the 15th years of the Development JV, (a) 100% to the Investor LLC until the Investor LLC has received cumulative distributions equal to a 10% compounded return on its investment as determined through the first six years, (b) then, 100% to PSA until PSA has received cumulative distributions equal to a 10% compounded return on its investment as determined through the first six years and (c) then, 49% to the Investor LLC and 51% to PSA. Of the total capitalization of the Investor LLC of approximately \$98 million, Mr. Hughes contributed \$64.084 million and the balance was contributed by the Investor. Operating cash flow (as defined) from the Investor LLC is distributed as follows: (1) 100% to Mr. Hughes until he has received cumulative distributions equal to a 7.9972% compounded annual return on his unreturned investment and (2) then, 99% to the Investor and 1% to Mr. Hughes (his 1% interest is estimated to be less than \$50,000 per year). If the Investor does not elect to cause an early termination, Mr. Hughes' 1% interest can increase to up to 10%. During 2001, distributions from the Investor LLC to Mr. Hughes were \$4,845,757. He invested in the Investor LLC at the request of the Investor, and the transaction was approved by the Company's disinterested directors based on advice from a financial advisor.

SALES OF SHARES TO COMPANY. In January 2001, a corporation wholly-owned by Uri P. Harkham, a director of the Company, sold to the Company in a privately negotiated transaction 10,000 shares of the Company's Common Stock for an aggregate of \$251,875.

In March 2001, a limited liability company of which Thomas J. Barrack, Jr., a director of the Company, is a controlling member, sold to the Company in a privately negotiated transaction 2,619,893 shares of the Company's Common Stock for an aggregate of \$68,064,820.

ACQUISITION OF PSIC. On December 31, 2001, the Company acquired, in a tax-free reorganization, all of the capital stock of PS Insurance Company, Ltd. ("PSIC") from B. Wayne Hughes, B. Wayne Hughes, Jr. and Tamara Hughes Gustavson in exchange for an aggregate of 1,439,756 shares of the Company's Common Stock. PSIC owned 301,032 shares of the Company's Common Stock, which continue to be owned by PSIC.

PSIC is engaged in the business of reinsuring risks relating to damage, destruction or other loss of goods stored by tenants in the mini-warehouses owned and operated by the Company in the United States and to a much lesser extent by affiliates of the Hughes family in Canada. In 1995, the Company acquired, in a tax-free reorganization, substantially all of the entities owned by B. Wayne Hughes (and members of his family) that were engaged in the ownership and operation of mini-warehouses and related activities in the United States. However, the federal and state income tax laws applicable to real estate investment trusts (such as the Company) imposed restrictions that effectively prevented the Company from owning PSIC or engaging in that business. As a result, PSIC was retained by and was continued to be operated by the Hughes family until December 31, 2001. In the 1995 transaction, the Company was granted a right of first refusal pertaining to any transfer of the capital stock or business of PSIC. Changes to the federal income tax laws that became effective January 1, 2001 and conforming changes to California's tax laws that were adopted in 2001 now permit the Company to own the capital stock of PSIC.

Due principally to the interrelationship of the businesses of the Company and PSIC, the Company believes that it is in its best interest to own and operate PSIC as a wholly-owned taxable REIT subsidiary. The transaction was approved by the Company's disinterested directors. A financial advisor issued a fairness opinion to the Company's Board on the transaction.

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ACQUISITION OF VOTING STOCK OF PSOI. On December 31, 2001, following the acquisition of the capital stock of PSIC by the Company, the Company acquired the voting common stock of PS Orangeco, Inc. ("PSOI"), representing 5% of the equity of PSOI, from the Hughes family for \$554,000, a price representing the Hughes family's original cost in the voting common stock of PSOI. The Company owns the non-voting preferred stock of PSOI, representing 95% of the equity of PSOI.

PSOI has an interest in the portable self-storage business and sells at the Company's properties a variety of items such a locks and boxes to assist in the moving and storage of goods and rents trucks. The Company and the Hughes family acquired their interests in PSOI in the Company's 1995 reorganization. Because PSOI'S revenues are nonqualifying income under the REIT tax laws, the voting common stock of PSOI was owned by the Hughes family. Recent changes in federal and California tax laws now permit the Company to own the voting common stock of PSOI. The Company's acquisition of the voting common stock of PSOI was approved by the Company's disinterested directors.

ACQUISITION OF PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS. On December 31, 2001, the Company acquired B. Wayne Hughes' approximately 1/10 of 1% general partner interest in four limited partnerships that own mini-warehouses. The purchase price was \$232,770, representing Mr. Hughes original cost for these partnership interests. The Company owns the remaining general partnership interest, and all of the limited partnership interest, in these partnerships. The acquisition of Mr. Hughes' general partner interest was approved by the Company's disinterested directors.

### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE AUDIT COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

Subject to certain considerations applicable to the Chief Executive Officer as discussed below, the Company pays its executive officers compensation deemed appropriate in view of the nature of the Company's business, the performance of individual executive officers, and the Company's objective of providing incentives to its executive officers to achieve a level of individual and Company performance that will maximize the value of shareholders' investment in the Company. To those ends, the Company's compensation program consists of payment of a base salary and, potentially, bonus compensation, and making incentive awards of options to purchase Common Stock. During 2001, grants of options to executive officers (other than the named executive officers) were made under the 2001 Stock Option and Incentive Plan (the "2001 Plan").

CASH COMPENSATION. Base salary levels are based generally (other than in the case of the Chief Executive Officer) on market compensation rates and each individual's role in the Company. The Company determines market compensation rates by reviewing public disclosures of compensation paid to executive officers by other REITs of comparable size and market capitalization. Some of the REITs whose executive compensation the Company considered in establishing the compensation it pays to executive officers are included in the NAREIT Equity Index referred to below under the caption "Stock Price Performance Graph." Generally, the Company seeks to compensate its executives at levels consistent with the middle of the range of amounts paid by REITs deemed comparable by the Company. Individual salaries may vary based on the experience and contribution to overall corporate performance by a particular executive officer.

For the year 2001, the Chief Executive Officer's base compensation was established with reference to his employment agreement (which expired in November 2000) at \$60,000. The compensation paid to the Chief Executive Officer is less than that paid to the chief executive officers of

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other publicly traded REITs and reflected the judgment of the Board of Directors and the Chief Executive Officer that the Chief Executive Officer's performance was rewarded primarily through his significant equity stake in the Company.

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The Company bases its payment of annual bonuses on corporate, business unit and individual performance. In establishing individual bonuses, the Company takes into account the Company's overall profitability, the Company's internal revenue growth, the Company's revenue growth due to acquisitions, and the executive officer's contribution to the Company's growth and profitability.

EQUITY-BASED COMPENSATION. The Company believes that its executive officers should have an incentive to improve the Company's performance by having an ongoing stake in the success of the Company's business. The Company seeks to create this incentive by granting to appropriate executive officers stock options that have an exercise price of not less than 100% of the fair market value of the underlying stock on the date of grant, so that the executive officer may not profit from the option unless the price of the Common Stock increases. Options granted by the Company also are designed to help the Company retain executive officers in that options are not exercisable at the time of grant, and achieve their maximum value only if the executive remains in the Company's employ for a period of years. During 2001, the Company did not grant any options to the Chief Executive Officer or to the other named executive officers.

The 2001 Plan also authorizes the Company to compensate its executive officers and other employees with grants of restricted stock. Restricted stock would increase in value as the value of the Common Stock increased, and would vest over time provided that the executive officer remained in the employ of the Company. Accordingly, awards of restricted stock would serve the Company's objectives of retaining its executive officers and other employees and motivating them to advance the interests of the Company and its shareholders. The Company did not grant any shares of restricted stock during 2001.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

B. Wayne Hughes  
Harvey Lenkin  
Marvin M. Lotz  
B. Wayne Hughes, Jr.  
Robert J. Abernethy  
Dann V. Angeloff  
William C. Baker  
Thomas J. Barrack, Jr.  
Uri P. Harkham  
Daniel C. Staton

### AUDIT COMMITTEE

Robert J. Abernethy (Chairman)  
William C. Baker  
Daniel C. Staton

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### STOCK PRICE PERFORMANCE GRAPH

The graph set forth below compares the yearly change in the Company's cumulative total shareholder return on its Common Stock for the five-year period ended December 31, 2001 to the cumulative total return of the Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Index ("S&P 500 Index") and the National



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Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts Equity Index ("NAREIT Equity Index") for the same period (total shareholder return equals price appreciation plus dividends). The stock price performance graph assumes that the value of the investment in the Company's Common Stock and each index was \$100 on December 31, 1996 and that all dividends were reinvested. The stock price performance shown in the graph is not necessarily indicative of future price performance.

Comparison of Cumulative Total Return  
Public Storage, Inc., S&P 500 Index and NAREIT Equity Index  
December 31, 1996 - December 31, 2001

[PERFORMANCE GRAPH APPEARS HERE]

| MEASUREMENT PERIOD<br>(FISCAL YEAR COVERED)<br>----- | PUBLIC<br>STORAGE, INC.<br>----- | S&P 500<br>----- | NAREIT<br>EQUITY<br>----- |
|--|----------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| Measurement Pt. 12/31/96                             | \$100.00                         | \$100.00         | \$100.00                  |
| FYE 12/31/97   | 97.64                            | 133.36           | 120.26                    |
| FYE 12/31/98   | 92.81                            | 171.48           | 99.21                     |
| FYE 12/31/99   | 80.56                            | 207.56           | 94.63                     |
| FYE 12/31/00   | 94.33                            | 188.66           | 119.58                    |
| FYE 12/31/01   | 136.61                           | 166.24           | 136.24                    |

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### AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

The Audit Committee of the Public Storage Board of Directors is composed of three directors who qualify as independent under the rules of the New York Stock Exchange. The Audit Committee operates under a written charter adopted by the Board of Directors in May 2000 (Exhibit A). The members of the Audit Committee are Robert J. Abernethy (Chairman), William C. Baker and Daniel C. Staton. The Audit Committee recommends to the Board of Directors the selection of the Company's independent auditors.

Management is responsible for the Company's internal controls and the financial reporting process. The independent auditors are responsible for performing an independent audit of the Company's consolidated financial statements in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and for issuing a report thereon. The Audit Committee's responsibility is to monitor and oversee these processes.

In this context, the Audit Committee has met with management and the independent auditors and has reviewed and discussed with them the audited consolidated financial statements. Management represented to the Audit Committee that the Company's consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Audit Committee discussed with the independent auditors matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61 (Communication with Audit Committees).

The Company's independent auditors also provided to the Audit Committee the written disclosures required by Independence Standards Board

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Standard No. 1 (Independence Discussions with Audit Committees), and the Audit Committee discussed with the independent auditors that firm's independence. In addition, the Audit Committee has considered whether the independent auditors' provision of non-audit services to the Company is compatible with the auditors' independence.

Based on the Audit Committee's discussions with management and the independent auditors, the representation of management and the report of the independent auditors, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board of Directors, and the Board has approved, that the audited consolidated financial statements be included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

### AUDIT COMMITTEE

Robert J. Abernethy (Chairman)  
William C. Baker  
Daniel C. Staton

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### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

The Audit Committee has recommended, and the Board of Directors has selected, Ernst & Young LLP, independent auditors, to audit the accounts of the Company for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2002.

It is anticipated that representatives of Ernst & Young LLP, which has acted as the independent auditors for the Company since the Company's organization, will be in attendance at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders and will have the opportunity to make a statement if they desire to do so and to respond to any appropriate inquiries of the shareholders or their representatives.

Fees Billed to the Company by Ernst & Young LLP for 2001:

#### Audit Fees:

Audit fees billed (or expected to be billed) to the Company by Ernst & Young LLP for the audit of the Company's annual financial statements for the 2001 fiscal year and review of the quarterly financial statements included in the Company's quarterly reports on Form 10-Q for the 2001 fiscal year totaled \$239,000.

#### Financial Information Systems Design and Implementation Fees:

The Company did not engage Ernst & Young LLP to provide advice to the Company regarding financial information systems design and implementation during the 2001 fiscal year.

#### All Other Fees:

Fees billed (or expected to be billed) to the Company by Ernst & Young LLP for the Company's 2001 fiscal year for all other non-audit services (primarily for income tax return preparation) rendered to the Company totaled \$755,000.

PROPOSAL NO. 2

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### Amendment to Terms of preferred Stock

Under the Company's restated articles of incorporation, the Board of Directors is authorized without further shareholder action to provide for the issuance of up to 50,000,000 shares of preferred stock, in one or more series, with such rights as are set forth in resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors.

The Company has outstanding 15 series of Preferred Stock, which were created by resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors at various dates between 1992 and 2002. The terms of each outstanding series of Preferred Stock are set forth briefly in the notes to the financial statements included in the Company's annual report to shareholders and in detail in the Certificates of Determination creating these series.

The Certificates of Determination of the Preferred Stock provide, in the case of each series, for a specified dividend rate and a date on or after which the Company may (but is not obligated to) redeem the series of Preferred Stock. The Company believes that it is in its interest, in the case of 14 of the series of Preferred Stock, to have the flexibility to, from time to time, reduce the dividend rate to reflect market conditions, to extend the date on or after which the Company may (but is not obligated to) redeem the series of Preferred Stock, and make other adjustments that the Board of Directors deems appropriate. Accordingly, the Board of Directors has proposed amendments to the Certificates of Determination of 14 series of Preferred Stock to provide for the reclassification of the shares of these 14 existing series (the "Existing Series") into shares of redesignated series (the "Redesignated Series") of Preferred Stock. Upon the effectiveness of a redesignation, each share of an Existing Series would be reclassified into a share of the corresponding Redesignated Series as reflected in the following table:

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| Name of Existing Series  | Name of Redesignated Series | Aggregate<br>Liquidation<br>Preference of the<br>Existing Series | Dividend Rate<br>of Existing<br>Series |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Series B Preferred Stock | Series B-1 Preferred Stock  | \$ 59,650,000  | 9.200%                                 |
| Series C Preferred Stock | Series C-1 Preferred Stock  | 30,000,000   | Variable                               |
| Series D Preferred Stock | Series D-1 Preferred Stock  | 30,000,000   | 9.500%                                 |
| Series E Preferred Stock | Series E-1 Preferred Stock  | 54,875,000   | 10.000%                                |
| Series F Preferred Stock | Series F-1 Preferred Stock  | 57,500,000   | 9.750%                                 |
| Series J Preferred Stock | Series J-1 Preferred Stock  | 150,000,000  | 8.000%                                 |
| Series K Preferred Stock | Series K-1 Preferred Stock  | 115,000,000  | 8.250%                                 |
| Series L Preferred Stock | Series L-1 Preferred Stock  | 115,000,000  | 8.250%                                 |
| Series M Preferred Stock | Series M-1 Preferred Stock  | 56,250,000   | 8.750%                                 |
| Series Q Preferred Stock | Series Q-1 Preferred Stock  | 172,500,000  | 8.600%                                 |
| Series R Preferred Stock | Series R-1 Preferred Stock  | 510,000,000  | 8.000%                                 |
| Series S Preferred Stock | Series S-1 Preferred Stock  | 143,750,000  | 7.875%                                 |
| Series T Preferred Stock | Series T-1 Preferred Stock  | 150,000,000  | 7.625%                                 |
| Series U Preferred Stock | Series U-1 Preferred Stock  | 150,000,000  | 7.625%                                 |

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The dividend rate or rates of the Redesignated Series, the date on or after which the Company may (but is not obligated to) redeem the shares of the Redesignated Series and other terms of the Redesignated Series would be set forth in resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors creating the Redesignated Series. The reclassification of the shares of one of the Existing Series into a Redesignated Series would require approval by the holders of 662/3% of the outstanding shares of that Existing Series, but would not be conditioned on the reclassification of the shares of any other Existing Series nor would it require any further vote of the holders of shares of Equity Stock and Common Stock. The Company would seek the approval of the holders of an Existing Series at a later date when the Board of Directors sets the terms of the corresponding Redesignated Series. The decision of the Board of Directors to create a Redesignated Series to implement a reclassification will depend on market conditions and other factors the Board of Directors considers appropriate and there can be no assurance that any of the reclassifications will be implemented.

The affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the voting power represented by the outstanding shares of Equity Stock and Common Stock, voting together as a single class, is required to approve the amendments to the Certificates of Determination of the Existing Series. For these purposes, an abstention or broker non-vote will have the effect of a vote against the proposal. The officers and directors of the Company intend to vote their shares in favor of the amendment. The affirmative vote of the holders of 662/3% of the outstanding shares of an Existing Series will also be required to amend the Certificate of Determination of that Existing Series.

The Board of Directors recommends that you vote FOR this amendment.

### EXPENSES OF SOLICITATION

The Company will pay the cost of soliciting Proxy/Instruction Cards. In addition to solicitation by mail, certain directors, officers and regular employees of the Company and its affiliates may solicit the return of Proxy/Instruction Cards by telephone, telegram, personal interview or otherwise. The Company may also reimburse brokerage firms and other persons representing the beneficial owners of the Company's stock for their reasonable expenses in forwarding proxy solicitation materials to such beneficial owners. Shareholder Communications Corporation, New York, New York may be retained to assist the Company in the solicitation of Proxy/Instruction Cards, for which Shareholder Communications Corporation would receive normal and customary fees and expenses from the Company.

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### DEADLINES FOR RECEIPT OF SHAREHOLDER PROPOSALS FOR CONSIDERATION AT 2003 ANNUAL MEETING

Any proposal that a holder of Common Stock or Depositary Shares wishes to submit for inclusion in the Company's Proxy Statement for the 2003 Annual Meeting of Shareholders ("2003 Proxy Statement") pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 14a-8 must be received by the Company no later than December 16, 2002. In addition, notice of any proposal that a holder of Common Stock or Depositary Shares wishes to propose for consideration at the 2003 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, but does not seek to include in the Company's 2003 Proxy Statement pursuant to Rule 14a-8, must be delivered to the Company no later than February 28, 2003 if the proposing holder of Common Stock or Depositary Shares wishes for the Company to describe the nature of the

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proposal in its 2003 Proxy Statement as a condition to exercising its discretionary authority to vote proxies on the proposal. Any shareholder proposals or notices submitted to the Company in connection with the 2003 Annual Meeting of Shareholders should be addressed to: David Goldberg, Secretary, Public Storage, Inc., 701 Western Avenue, Glendale, California 91201-2349.

### OTHER MATTERS

The management of the Company does not intend to bring any other matter before the meeting and knows of no other matters that are likely to come before the meeting. If any other matters properly come before the meeting, the persons designated as proxies in the accompanying Proxy/Instruction Card and the Trustee will vote the shares of Common Stock represented thereby, if any, and the Depositary will vote the Equity Stock underlying the Depositary Shares represented thereby, if any, in accordance with their best judgment on such matters.

You are urged to vote the accompanying Proxy/Instruction Card and sign, date and return it in the enclosed stamped envelope at your earliest convenience, whether or not you currently plan to attend the meeting in person.

By Order of the Board of Directors

DAVID GOLDBERG, Secretary

Glendale, California  
April 9, 2002

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Exhibit A

PUBLIC STORAGE, INC.

### CHARTER OF AUDIT COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS Adopted by the Board of Directors on May 1, 2000

1. The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors (the "Board") shall consist of at least three directors, none of whom shall have any relationship to the Company that may interfere with the exercise of their independence from management and the Company, each of whom shall be financially literate, as such qualification is interpreted by the Board in its business judgment, and at least one of whom shall have accounting or related financial management expertise, as the Board interprets such qualification in its business judgment, all in accordance with the requirements of the New York Stock Exchange.

2. The purposes of the Audit Committee are:

- o to oversee the Company's accounting and financial reporting policies and practices and its internal controls;
- o to oversee the quality and appropriateness of accounting processes and qualitative aspects of the Company's financial statements and the audit

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thereof; and

- o to act as a liaison between the Company's outside auditor and the Board.

3. The function of the Audit Committee is oversight; it is the responsibility of the Company to maintain appropriate systems for accounting and internal control, and the auditor's responsibility to plan and carry out a proper audit. To this end, the Audit Committee shall have unrestricted access to the Board, the outside auditor and the executive and financial management of the Company. The outside auditor shall be ultimately accountable to the Audit Committee and the Board, and therefore the Audit Committee and the Board shall have the ultimate authority and responsibility to select, evaluate and, where appropriate, replace the outside auditor.

4. To carry out its purposes, the Audit Committee shall have the following responsibilities:

- o to recommend to the Board the selection, engagement and replacement of the outside auditor;
- o to require the outside auditor to submit to the Audit Committee, on a periodic basis, a formal written statement delineating all relationships between the auditor and the Company, to engage in a dialogue with the outside auditor with respect to any disclosed relationship or services that may impact the objectivity and independence of the outside auditor, and to recommend that the Board take appropriate action in response to the outside auditor's report to satisfy itself of the outside auditor's independence;
- o to meet with the Company's outside auditor, including private meetings, as necessary (i) to review the arrangements for, procedures to be utilized, and scope of the annual audit and any specific audits, (ii) to discuss any matters of concern relating to the Company's financial statements, including any adjustments to such statements recommended by the auditor, disagreements with management or other significant issues encountered in connection with the audit work, (iii) to review the annual financial statements of the Company and significant accounting policies underlying the statements and their presentation to the public in the annual or other reports, (iv) to consider the auditor's comments and recommendations with respect to the Company's financial policies, procedures and adequacy of internal accounting controls and the Company's responses thereto, and (v) to review the form of opinion the auditor proposes to render;

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- o to consider the appropriateness of and effect upon the Company of any significant changes in accounting principles or practices proposed by the Company or the auditor;
- o to review legal and regulatory matters that may have a material impact on the financial statements of the Company, including company compliance policies and procedures;
- o to review the fees charged by the auditor for audit or non-audit services;
- o to investigate improprieties or suspected improprieties in the Company's financial operations;
- o to perform such other functions as required by law, the Company's bylaws or the Board; and

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- o to report activities to the Board on a regular basis and to make such recommendations with respect to the above and other matters as the Audit Committee may deem necessary or appropriate.
5. The Audit Committee shall have a chairman, who shall be elected by a majority vote of the Board, shall meet on a regular basis, and shall hold special meetings as circumstances require. The Audit Committee shall act by majority vote of its members.
6. The Audit Committee shall meet regularly with the financial officers of the Company, with the internal auditor, if any, and with other officers as it deems appropriate.
7. The Audit Committee shall have the resources and authority appropriate to discharge its responsibilities, including the authority to retain special counsel and other experts or consultants at the expense of the Company.
8. The Audit Committee shall prepare a report for inclusion in the Company's proxy statement for its annual meeting of shareholders in accordance with applicable requirements of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.
9. The Audit Committee shall review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter on an annual basis and recommend any changes to the Board.

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PROXY/INSTRUCTION CARD

PUBLIC STORAGE, INC.

701 Western Avenue  
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This Proxy/Instruction Card is Solicited on Behalf of the  
Board of Directors

The undersigned, a record holder of Common Stock of Public Storage, Inc. and/or a record holder of Depositary Shares ("Depositary Shares") Each Representing 1/1,000 of a Share of Equity Stock, Series A ("Equity Stock") of Public Storage, Inc. and/or a participant in the PS 401(k)/Profit Sharing Plan (the "401(k) Plan"), hereby (i) appoints B. Wayne Hughes and Harvey Lenkin, or either of them, with power of substitution, as Proxies, to appear and vote, as designated below, all the shares of Common Stock held of record by the undersigned on March 15, 2002, at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on May 9, 2002 (the "Annual Meeting"), and any adjournments thereof, and/or (ii) authorizes and directs EquiServe Trust Company, N. A. (the "Depositary"), through its nominee(s), to vote or execute proxies to vote, as instructed below, all Equity Stock underlying the Depositary Shares held of record by the undersigned on March 15, 2002, at the Annual Meeting and any adjournments thereof, and/or (iii) authorizes and directs the trustee of the 401(k) Plan (the "Trustee") to vote or execute proxies to vote, as instructed below, all the shares of Common Stock credited to the undersigned's account under the 401(k) Plan on March 15, 2002, at the Annual Meeting and any adjournments thereof, and/or (iv) authorizes and directs the Trustee to instruct (in person or by proxy) the Depositary to vote or execute proxies to vote, as instructed below, all Equity Stock underlying the Depositary Shares credited to the undersigned's account under the 401(k) Plan on March 15, 2002, at the Annual Meeting and any adjournments thereof. In their discretion, the Proxies and/or the Depositary and/or the Trustee are authorized to vote upon such other business as may

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properly come before the meeting.

THE PROXIES, THE DEPOSITARY AND/OR THE TRUSTEE WILL VOTE ALL SHARES OF COMMON STOCK AND EQUITY STOCK TO WHICH THIS PROXY/INSTRUCTION CARD RELATES, IN THE MANNER DIRECTED BY THE UNDERSIGNED. IF NO DIRECTION IS GIVEN WITH RESPECT TO COMMON STOCK AND/OR DEPOSITARY SHARES HELD OF RECORD BY THE UNDERSIGNED, THE PROXIES WILL VOTE SUCH COMMON STOCK, AND/OR THE DEPOSITARY WILL VOTE THE EQUITY STOCK UNDERLYING SUCH DEPOSITARY SHARES, FOR THE ELECTION OF ALL NOMINEES LISTED ON THE REVERSE AND IN FAVOR OF ITEM 2. IF NO DIRECTION IS GIVEN WITH RESPECT TO COMMON STOCK AND/OR DEPOSITARY SHARES CREDITED TO THE UNDERSIGNED'S ACCOUNT UNDER THE 401(k) PLAN, THE TRUSTEE WILL VOTE SUCH COMMON STOCK, AND/OR THE TRUSTEE WILL INSTRUCT THE DEPOSITARY TO VOTE THE EQUITY STOCK UNDERLYING SUCH DEPOSITARY SHARES, FOR THE ELECTION OF ALL NOMINEES LISTED ON THE REVERSE AND IN FAVOR OF ITEM 2.

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1. Election of Directors

Nominees: B. Wayne Hughes, Harvey Lenkin, Marvin M. Lotz, B. Wayne Hughes, Jr., Robert J. Abernethy, Dann V. Angeloff, William C. Baker, Thomas J. Barrack, Jr., Uri P. Harkham and Daniel C. Staton.

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For all nominees except as noted above

2. Approval of amendments to the Certificates of Determination of various series of Preferred Stock to reclassify the shares of each of such series into redesignated series of Preferred Stock upon approval by the holders of 662/3% of the shares of an affected series.

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3. Other matters: In their discretion, the Proxies and/or the Depositary and/or the Trustee are authorized to vote upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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The undersigned acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders and Proxy Statement dated April 9, 2002.

Please sign exactly as your name appears. Joint owners should each sign. Trustees and others acting in a representative capacity should indicate the capacity in which they sign.



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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_