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*** Exercise Your Right to Vote *** IMPORTANT NOTICE Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials STARBUCKS CORPORATION Meeting Information

Meeting Type: Annual

For holders as of: January 14, 2010

Date: March 24, 2010 **Time:** 10:00 AM (Pacific Time) **Location:** Marion Oliver McCaw Hall Seattle Center

321 Mercer St. Seattle, WA 98109

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the above named company.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at *www.proxyvote.com* or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

Voting Items

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposals:

- 1. Election of Directors **Nominees:**
- 2. Ratification of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending October 3, 2010
- 1a. Howard Schultz

The Board of Directors recommends you vote AGAINST the following proposal:

1b. Barbara Bass

3. Shareholder proposal regarding recycling strategy for beverage containers

- 1c. William W. Bradley
- 1d. Mellody Hobson
- 1e. Kevin R. Johnson
- 1f. Olden Lee
- 1g. Sheryl Sandberg
- 1h. James G. Shennan,

Jr.

- 1i. Javier G. Teruel
- 1j. Myron E. Ullman,

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1k. Craig E. Weatherup

Before You Vote

How to Access the Proxy Materials

Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:

NOTICE AND PROXY STATEMENT

FISCAL 2009 ANNUAL REPORT

How to View Online:

Have the 12-Digit Control Number available (located on the following page) and visit: www.proxyvote.com.

How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy:

If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is NO charge for requesting a copy. Please choose one of the following methods to make your request:

1) *BY INTERNET*: www.proxyvote.com 2) *BY TELEPHONE*: 1-800-579-1639

3) BY E-MAIL*: sendmaterial@proxyvote.com

Requests, instructions and other inquiries sent to this e-mail address will NOT be forwarded to your investment advisor. Please make the request as instructed above on or before March 10, 2010 to facilitate timely delivery.

How To Vote

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

Vote In Person: Many shareholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an admission ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for directions and any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

Vote By Internet: To vote now by Internet, go to *www.proxyvote.com*. Have the 12 Digit Control Number (located on the following page) available and follow the instructions.

Vote By Mail: You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.

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