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Brian R. Bodager President and Chief Executive Officer

Notice of 2021 Annual Meeting of Members The Pension Boards-United Church of Christ, Inc.

The 2021 Annual Meeting of Members of The Pension Boards–United Church of Christ, Inc. will be held Thursday, May 13, 2021, commencing at 2:00 p.m. EDT, at The Interchurch Center, 475 Riverside Drive, Room 1020, New York, New York 10115, and at any adjournment thereof for the election of Trustees and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Dear Fellow Pension Boards Members:

Grace to you and peace.

As your President and Chief Executive Officer, I am pleased to share that our plans for the 2021 Annual Meeting of Members (Annual Meeting) are well under way.

While COVID-19 prevents me from welcoming you in person, once again you will be able to participate in the Annual Meeting via the Internet. On the day of the meeting, please log in to your Pension Boards account for instructions for joining the Zoom meeting. After the business portion of the Annual Meeting is concluded, I and other members of management of your Pension Boards will be presenting on some of our exciting initiatives to enhance our value to you.

This letter provides an overview of the member voting process. We have tried to make voting quicker and easier for you. We hope you will agree.

The purpose of the enclosed proxy ballot is for you to instruct me as your proxy how you wish me to vote on your behalf for the Nominees to the Board of Trustees (Nominees). Please review the Nominees' background and qualifications below. We are grateful for their willingness to serve as your Trustees.

We want to ensure that you have a voice in the governance of your Pension Boards, your vote is counted in determining whether there is a quorum of members necessary to conduct the Annual Meeting. If we are not able to achieve a quorum of our members voting on the Internet or by mailing back the enclosed proxy ballot, the Pension Boards will be required reschedule the Annual Meeting and incur additional time and expense to obtain sufficient member votes to proceed with the Annual Meeting.

You may cast your proxy ballot two ways:

- 1. online at http://bit.ly/PB_VOTE_2021, or
- 2. by mailing it promptly in the enclosed return envelope.

Voting will close at 5:00 p.m. EDT, on Wednesday, May 12, 2021. To avoid potential postal delivery delays, we strongly encourage you to vote online using the link above. Please use only one method of voting.

The 2020 Pension Boards Annual Report and Financial Statements are available online at http://bit.ly/PB_AR_FINLS. Please email annualreport@pbucc.org or call our member services at 1.800.642.6543

if you would like to receive a hard copy of the Annual Report.

If you have questions or suggestions for discussion at the Annual Meeting, please send them to me at **bbodagerAM@pbucc.org** or by fax at **212.729.2759**.

Additional information is posted on the Pension Boards website, **www.pbucc.org**. If you have any additional questions, please contact **Priscilla Esfandiary** at **212.729.2712** or by email at **pesfandiary@pbucc.org**.

I hope you can join your Board of Trustees and me via the Internet May 13.

Blessings,

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Brian R. Bodager President and Chief Executive Officer

NOMINEES FOR ELECTION AND RE-ELECTION TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PENSION BOARDS-UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, INC.



Mr. Ángel E. Cepeda Velázquez

(election to a four-year term ending in 2025) is head of Accounting and Administration for Iglesia Evangélica Unida de Puerto Rico (IEUPR, United Evangelical Church of Puerto Rico), a UCC-related denomination comprising

100 clergy and lay church employees in 75 churches and ministry settings throughout the island. He also serves as Bookkeeping and Business Advisor of Escuela Evangélica Unida de Fajardo (United Evangelical School of Fajardo), where he oversees accounts receivable and cash flow.

Mr. Cepeda received his Bachelor of Business Administration degree with a major in Accounting from the University of Puerto Rico (Humacao) in 2011. Mr. Cepeda brings strong business analytical skills, as well as proven experience in developing and implementing financial systems, strategic planning, staff supervision, and budget oversight.

He is a member of Iglesia Evangélica Unida Juan Martín in Luquillo, Puerto Rico.



Mr. William C. Huffman (*re-election to a four-year term ending in 2025*) is an attorney with more than 40 years' experience in the areas of corporate law, probate administration and litigation, and elder law. He earned a B.A. degree in Economics from the College of Wooster in Wooster, Ohio, and a Doctor of Law

degree from Case Western Reserve University School of Law. He is admitted to the bar in Ohio and Florida.

Mr. Huffman is a partner/member in a four-attorney firm, Huffman, Hunt & Klym, LLC (and its predecessors), where he is responsible for administration of office operations and supervision of attorneys and staff. Mr. Huffman served a 15month term as Administrative and Presiding Judge of Rocky River Municipal Court in 1992-1993. Since 1999, he has served as a Special Counsel to the Attorney General of the State of Ohio. Mr. Huffman is a member of the Ohio State, Florida, and Metropolitan Cleveland bar Associations. Mr. Huffman is a member of Dover Congregational United Church of Christ in Westlake, Ohio, where he has served on the Personnel and Nominating Committee, Church Council, and Endowment Committee. His community service has included Westlake City Council, Lakewood Civil Service Commission, Lakewood/Rocky River Rotary Club, and Westlake Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Huffman presently serves as a director of First Federal Savings and Loan of Lakewood and First Mutual Holding Company.



Rev. Dr. Carol E. Lytch (*re-election to a fouryear term ending in 2025*) is President Emerita of Lancaster Theological Seminary, one of the seminaries of the United Church of Christ.

Prior to assuming the presidency of Lancaster in 2011, Dr. Lytch served as Assistant Executive Director of the Association of Theological Schools (ATS), an accrediting agency for theological schools in the United States and Canada. She has also served as Coordinator of the Lilly Endowment's Program for Strengthening Congregational Leadership, and has been a visiting scholar and researcher-in-residence at Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

A *cum laude* graduate of Mount Holyoke College, Dr. Lytch earned an M.Div. from Princeton Theological Seminary, and studied at the University of St. Andrews and the University of Edinburgh, both in Scotland. She received a Ph.D. in Christian ethics and sociology of religion from Emory University.

Dr. Lytch is an ordained minister with dual affiliation in the United Church of Christ and the Presbyterian Church (USA).