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March 23, 2009

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549  
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day, 7 days a week!ADD 5 Instead of mailing your proxy, you may choose one of the two voting ADD 6  
methods outlined below to vote your proxy. VALIDATION DETAILS ARE LOCATED BELOW IN  
THE TITLE BAR.Proxies submitted by the Internet or telephone must be received by 1:00 a.m., Eastern  
Time, on May 6, 2009.Vote by Internet Log on to the Internet and go to www.envisionreports.com/an  
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THE INTERNET OR TELEPHONE, FOLD ALONG THE PERFORATION, DETACH AND RETURN  
THE BOTTOM PORTION IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE. 3A Proposals The Board of Directors  
recommends a vote FOR all the nominees listed below.1. Election of Directors: 01 Mike Jackson 02  
Rick L. Burdick 03 William C. Crowley 04 David B. Edelson 05 Kim C. Goodman06 Robert R.  
Grusky 07 Michael E. Maroone 08 Carlos A. Migoya +Mark here to vote FOR all nominees For All  
EXCEPT To withhold a vote for one or more nominees, mark the box to the left and the 01 02 03 04 05  
06 07 08 corresponding numbered box(es) to the right.Mark here to WITHHOLD vote from all  
nomineesThe Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR Proposal 2. The Board of Directors  
recommends a vote AGAINST Proposals 3 and 4.For Against Abstain For Against Abstain2. Ratification  
of the selection of KPMG LLP as the Company s 3. Adoption of stockholder proposal regarding special  
meetings. independent registered public accounting firm for 2009.4. Adoption of stockholder proposal  
regarding an independent Board chairman.B Non-Voting ItemsChange of Address Please print new  
address below.C Authorized Signatures This section must be completed for your vote to be counted.  
Date and Sign BelowPlease sign exactly as name(s) appears hereon. Joint owners should each sign. When  
signing as attorney, executor, administrator, corporate officer, trustee, guardian, or custodian, please give  
full title. Date (mm/dd/yyyy) Please print date below. Signature 1 Please keep signature within the box.  
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2009 Annual Meeting of AutoNation, Inc. Stockholders Wednesday, May 6, 2009, 9:00 A.M. Eastern Time AutoNation Tower 110 S.E. 6th Street Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301 Upon arrival, please present this admission ticket and photo identification at the registration desk. **3 IF YOU HAVE NOT VOTED VIA THE INTERNET OR TELEPHONE, FOLD ALONG THE PERFORATION, DETACH AND RETURN THE BOTTOM PORTION IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE.** **3Proxy** AutoNation, Inc. This proxy is solicited on behalf of the Board of Directors Mike Jackson and Jonathan P. Ferrando, each with power of substitution, are hereby authorized to vote all shares of common stock which the undersigned would be entitled to vote if personally present at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of AutoNation, Inc. to be held on May 6, 2009, or any postponements or adjournments thereof, as indicated on the reverse side. **THIS PROXY WHEN PROPERLY EXECUTED WILL BE VOTED IN THE MANNER DIRECTED BY THE UNDERSIGNED STOCKHOLDER. IF NO DIRECTION IS GIVEN, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR THE ELECTION OF ALL NOMINEES FOR DIRECTOR, FOR THE RATIFICATION OF THE SELECTION OF KPMG LLP AS INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR 2009, AGAINST THE ADOPTION OF THE STOCKHOLDER PROPOSAL REGARDING SPECIAL MEETINGS, AND AGAINST THE ADOPTION OF THE STOCKHOLDER PROPOSAL REGARDING AN INDEPENDENT BOARD CHAIRMAN.** As to any other matter, the proxy holders shall vote as recommended by our Board of Directors or, if no recommendation is given, in their own discretion. The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of the Proxy Statement and the Annual Report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 furnished herewith. **PLEASE MARK, SIGN, DATE AND PROMPTLY RETURN THIS PROXY CARD USING THE ENCLOSED POSTAGE-PAID ENVELOPE.** (Continued and to be signed on reverse side)