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2017 Proxy Statement

Annual Meeting of Stockholders

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Penske Automotive Group, Inc. will be held May 10, 2017 2555 Telegraph Road Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48302

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Dear Fellow Stockholder:

You are invited to attend the annual meeting of stockholders of Penske Automotive Group, Inc. to be held at 8:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time on May 10, 2017, at our corporate headquarters, 2555 Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

The agenda for this year's annual meeting includes the annual election of directors, ratification of the selection of our independent auditing firm, an advisory vote regarding our executive officer compensation and an advisory vote regarding the frequency of future advisory votes on executive compensation. The Board of Directors recommends that you vote FOR the director nominees, FOR the ratification of our independent auditors, FOR approval of our executive officer compensation and FOR annual future votes on executive compensation. Please refer to the detailed information on each of these proposals and our annual meeting of stockholders in the accompanying materials.

We have elected to deliver our proxy materials to our stockholders over the Internet. This delivery process provides stockholders with the information they need, while at the same time conserving natural resources and lowering the cost of printing and delivery. On or about March 28, 2017, we will mail to our stockholders a notice of internet availability of proxy materials containing instructions on how to access our 2017 proxy statement and 2016 annual report to stockholders. This notice also provides instructions on how to vote online or by telephone and includes information on how to request a paper copy of the proxy materials by mail.

The annual meeting provides an excellent opportunity for stockholders to become better acquainted with the Company and its directors and officers, and I hope that you will attend. Whether or not you plan to attend, we ask that you cast your vote as soon as possible. This will assure your shares are represented at the meeting. Thank you for your continued support of Penske Automotive Group.

Sincerely,

/s/ Roger S. Penske

Roger S. Penske Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

Bloomfield Hills, Michigan March 16, 2017

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Penske Automotive Group, Inc.

Notice of 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders

10,	2017
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Time: 8:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time

Place: 2555 Telegraph Road

Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48302

Record date: March 13, 2017. Only stockholders of record at the close of business on the record date are entitled to receive notice

of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting.

Items of business:

To elect thirteen directors to serve until the next annual meeting

To ratify the selection of Deloitte & Touche LLP as our independent auditor for 2017

To approve, on a non-binding advisory basis, the compensation paid to our Named Executive Officers

To approve, on a non-binding advisory basis, the frequency of future advisory votes on executive compensation **Important notice regarding the availability of proxy materials for the stockholder meeting to be held on May 10, 2017.** Our Proxy Statement, Proxy Card and Annual Report to Stockholders are available at www.envisionreports.com/pag.

By order of the Board of Directors

/s/ Shane M. Spradlin

Shane M. Spradlin

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

March 16, 2017

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Proxy summary

This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this Proxy Statement. This summary does not contain all of the information you should consider, and you should read the entire Proxy Statement carefully before voting.

Annual Meeting of Stockholders

Date: May 10, 2017

Time: 8:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time

Place: 2555 Telegraph Road

Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48302

Record date: March 13, 2017

Voting: Stockholders as of the record date are entitled to vote. Each share of common stock is entitled to one vote for each director

nominee and one vote for each of the proposals to be voted on.

Admission to

meeting:

Proof of share ownership will be required to enter the Penske Automotive Annual Meeting see "Information about

Attending the Meeting" on page 39 for details.

Meeting agenda

executive compensation

Election of thirteen directors

Ratification of Deloitte & Touche LLP as our independent auditor for 2017

Advisory vote on executive compensation

Advisory vote on frequency of future advisory votes on executive compensation

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Our director nominees

The following table provides summary information about each director nominee. Each director is elected annually by a majority of votes cast.

John D. Barr	69	2002	Retired Chairman					
			Papa Murphy's	•	F			
T' D'	52	,	Holdings, Inc.					
Lisa Davis	53	n/a	Chair and CEO Siemens					
			Corporation,	•				
			USA					
Michael R. Eisenson	61	1993	Managing					
			Director &					
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Robert H. Kurnick, Jr.	55	2006	President,					
			Penske Automotive					M
William J. Lovejoy	76	2004	Group General					
William J. Lovejoy	70	2004	Manager					
			Lovejoy &	•		M		
			Associates					
Kimberly J. McWaters	52	2004	Chairman and					
			CEO,					
			Universal	•	F		C	
			Technical					
			Institute, Inc.					
Lucio A. Noto	78	2001	Retired Vice					
			Chairman					M
			ExxonMobil					IVI
			Corporation					
Roger S. Penske, Jr.	57	n/a	President,					
			CEO and					
			Chairman					
			SoCal Penske					
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Roger S. Penske	80	1999	Chairman and					
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Sandra L. Tierce	50							