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## KIMCO REALTY CORPORATION

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#### KIMCO REALTY CORPORATION

#### 3333 NEW HYDE PARK ROAD NEW HYDE PARK, NY 11042-0020

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

Dear Stockholder:

We cordially invite you to attend the annual stockholders[] meeting of Kimco Realty Corporation, a Maryland corporation (the []Company[]). The meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 12, 2009 at 10:00 A.M. (local time), at 277 Park Avenue, 17th Floor, New York, NY 10017.

At the annual meeting, stockholders will be asked to:

1.	Elect eight directors to serve for a term of one year and until their successors are duly elected and qualify;
2.	Ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company is independent registered public accounting firm for 2009; and
3.	Transact such other business as may properly come before the

Transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment(s) or postponement(s) thereof.

The Board of Directors of the Company recommends that stockholders vote **FOR** the election of the Board of Director nominees named herein and **FOR** the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company<sub>s</sub> independent registered public accounting firm for 2009. Please refer to the Proxy Statement, which forms a part of this Notice and is incorporated herein by reference, for further information with respect to the business to be transacted at the annual meeting.

The close of business on March 18, 2009 was the record date for determining stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the annual meeting.

We are pleased to take advantage of the Securities and Exchange Commission rules allowing companies to furnish proxy materials to their stockholders over the Internet. We believe that this e-proxy process will expedite stockholders receipt of proxy materials and lower the costs and reduce the environmental impact of our annual meeting. We will send a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (the [Notice of Internet Availability]) on or about April 2, 2009, and provide access to our proxy materials over the Internet, beginning on April 2, 2009, for the holders of record and beneficial owners of our common stock as of the close of business on the record date. If you received a Notice of Internet Availability instructs you on how to access and review this proxy statement and our annual report. The Notice of Internet Availability also instructs you on how you may submit your proxy over the Internet. If you received a Notice of Internet Availability by mail and would like to receive a printed copy of our proxy materials, you should follow the instructions for requesting such materials included in the Notice of Internet Availability. We are also sending proxy materials to any stockholder who elected to receive their proxy materials by mail or e-mail in accordance with their election.

Your proxy is important. Whether or not you plan to attend the annual meeting, please authorize your proxy by Internet, telephone, or, if you received a paper copy of the materials by mail, mark, sign, date, and return your proxy card, so that your shares will be represented at the annual meeting.

## BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS,

<u>/s/ Bruce Rubenstein</u> Bruce Rubenstein

Secretary

March 27, 2009

## KIMCO REALTY CORPORATION

## 3333 NEW HYDE PARK ROAD, NEW HYDE PARK, NY 11042-0020

## PROXY STATEMENT FOR ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

## to be held on May 12, 2009

This Proxy Statement is furnished to holders of record of the Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the [Common Stock]), of Kimco Realty Corporation, a Maryland corporation (the [Company]), in connection with the solicitation of proxies for use at the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the [Meeting]) of the Company to be held on Tuesday, May 12, 2009, at 10:00 A.M. (local time), at 277 Park Avenue, 17th Floor, New York, NY 10017 for the purposes set forth in the Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

This solicitation is made by the Company on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Company (the [Board of Directors] or the [Board]). Costs of this solicitation will be borne by the Company. Directors, officers, employees and agents of the Company and its affiliates may also solicit proxies by telephone, telegraph, fax, e-mail or personal interview. The Company will reimburse banks, brokerage firms and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries for reasonable expenses incurred by them in sending proxy materials to stockholders. The Company will pay fees of approximately \$6,000 to The Altman Group, Inc. for soliciting proxies for the Company.

Holders of record of the Common Stock as of the close of business on the record date, March 18, 2009, are entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the Meeting. The outstanding Common Stock constitutes the only class of securities entitled to vote at the Meeting and each share of Common Stock entitles the holder thereof to one vote. At the close of business on March 18, 2009, there were 271,083,555 shares of Common Stock outstanding. The presence at the Meeting, in person or by proxy, of holders of a majority of such shares will constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the Meeting.

Stockholders can vote in person at the Meeting or by proxy. There are three ways to vote by proxy:

- By Telephone 🛛 Stockholders located in the United States can authorize their proxy bytelephone by calling 1-800-690-6903 and following the instructions on the proxy card;
- By Internet [] Stockholders can authorize their proxy over the Internet at <u>www.proxyvote.com</u> by following the instructions on the proxy card; or
- By Mail 🛛 If you received your proxy materials by mail, you can vote by mail by signing, dating mailing the enclosed proxy card.

Telephone and Internet voting facilities for stockholders of record will be available 24 hours a day and will close at 11:59 p.m. (EDT) on May 11, 2009.

If your shares are held in the name of a bank, broker or other holder of record, you will receive instructions from the holder of record. You must follow the instructions of the holder of record in order for your shares to be voted. Telephone and Internet voting also will be offered to stockholders owning shares through certain banks and brokers. If your shares are not registered in your own name and you plan to vote your shares in person at the Meeting, you should contact your broker or agent to obtain a legal proxy or broker s proxy card and bring it to the Meeting in order to vote. If you vote by proxy, the individuals named on the proxy card (your []proxies[]) will vote your shares in the manner you indicate. You may specify whether your shares should be voted for or against all, some or none of the nominees for director and whether your shares should be voted for or against the other proposal. If you sign and return the proxy card without indicating your instructions, your shares will be voted as follows:

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Shares represented by proxies, if such proxies are properly executed and returned and not revoked, will be voted as specified. Where no specification is made on a properly executed and returned form of proxy, the shares will be voted (i) **FOR** the election of all nominees for Director (See Proposal 1) and (ii) **FOR** ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company[]s independent registered public accounting firm for 2009 (see Proposal 2). To be voted, proxies must be filed with the Secretary of the Company prior to voting. Proxies may be revoked at any time before exercise (i) by filing a notice of such revocation with the Secretary of the Company, (ii) by filing a later-dated proxy with the Secretary of the Company or (iii) by voting in person at the Meeting. Dissenting stockholders will not have rights of appraisal with respect to any matter to be acted upon at the Meeting.

Under Maryland law, shares represented by proxies that reflect abstentions or [broker non-votes] (i.e., shares held by a broker or nominee which are represented at the Meeting, but with respect to which such broker or nominee is not empowered by the beneficial owner of the stock to vote on a particular proposal) will be counted as shares that are present and entitled to vote for purposes of determining the presence of a quorum.

If you intend to vote in person, you may be asked to present valid photo identification, such as a driver[s license or passport, before being admitted to the Meeting. Cameras, recording devices and other electronic devices will not be permitted at the Meeting. If you hold shares in [street name] (that is, through a bank, broker or other nominee) and would like to attend the Meeting, you will need to bring an account statement or other acceptable evidence of ownership of our Common Stock on March 18, 2009, the record date for voting. Alternatively, in order to vote, you may obtain a proxy from your bank, broker or other nominee and bring the proxy to the Meeting.

The Securities and Exchange Commission is rules permit us to deliver a single Notice or set of Annual Meeting materials to one address shared by two or more of our stockholders. We have delivered only one proxy statement and annual report to multiple stockholders who share an address, unless we received contrary instructions from the impacted stockholders prior to the mailing date. We will promptly deliver, upon written or oral request, a separate copy of the Notice or Annual Meeting materials, as requested, to any stockholder at the shared address to which a single copy of those documents was delivered. If you prefer to receive separate copies of the proxy statement or annual report, contact Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. at 1-800-542-1061 or in writing at Broadridge, Householding Department, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717. If you are currently a stockholder sharing an address with another stockholder and wish to receive only one copy of future Notices, proxy statements and annual reports for your household, please contact Broadridge at the above phone number or address.

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#### PROPOSAL 1 Election of Directors

The Company s Bylaws, as amended (the sylaws), provide that all directors be elected at each annual meeting of stockholders. Pursuant to the Company charter and such Bylaws, the Board of Directors has fixed the number of directors to be elected at eight. The persons named as proxies in the accompanying form of proxy intend to vote in favor of the election of the eight nominees for director designated below to serve until the next annual meeting of stockholders and until their respective successors are duly elected and qualified. It is expected that each of these nominees will be able to serve, but if any such nominee is unable to serve, the proxies may vote for another person nominated by the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and approved by the Board of Directors or the Board may, to the extent permissible by the Bylaws, reduce the number of directors to be elected at the Meeting.

## Information Regarding Nominees (as of March 18, 2009)

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Name Milton Cooper	Age 80	Employment and Five-Year Employment History Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer of the Company since November 1991; Director and President of the Company for more than five years prior to such date. Founding member of the Company[]s predecessor in 1966.
Richard G. Dooley (1)(2)(3)(4)	79	Director of the Company since December 1991. From 1993 to 2003 consultant to, and from 1978 to 1993, Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company.
Joe Grills (1)(2)(3)	73	Director of the Company since January 1997. Chief Investment Officer for the IBM Retirement Funds from 1986 to 1993 and held various positions at IBM for more than five years prior to 1986.
David B. Henry	60	Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company since May 2001; since December 2008, President of the Company and, since April 2001, Chief Investment Officer of the Company. Prior to joining the Company, Chief Investment Officer of G.E. Capital Real Estate since 1997 and held various positions at G.E. Capital for more than five years prior to 1997.
F. Patrick Hughes (1)(2)(3)	61	Director of the Company since October 2003. President, Hughes & Associates, LLC since October 2003. Previously served as Chief Executive Officer, President and Trustee of Mid-Atlantic Realty Trust from its formation in 1993 to 2003.
Frank Lourenso (1)(2)	68	Director of the Company since December 1991. Executive Vice President of JPMorgan Chase & Co. ([].P. Morgan,[] and successor by merger to The Chase Manhattan Bank and Chemical Bank, N.A.) since 1990. Senior Vice President of J.P. Morgan for more than five years prior to 1990.
Richard Saltzman (1)(2)	52	Director of the Company since July 2003. President, Colony Capital LLC, ([Colony[]) since May 2003. Prior to joining Colony, Managing Director and Vice Chairman of Merrill Lynch[]s investment banking division and held various other positions at Merrill Lynch for more than five years prior to that time.
Philip E. Coviello (1)(2)(3)	65	Director of the Company since May 2008. Partner of Latham & Watkins LLP, an international law firm, for 18 years until his retirement from that firm as of December 31, 2003. Latham & Watkins LLP provides legal services to the Company.

(1) Member of Executive Compensation Committee.

(2) Member of Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee.

(3) Member of Audit Committee.

(4) Lead Director.

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Mr. Cooper is also a director of Getty Realty Corp. and Blue Ridge Real Estate/Big Boulder Corporation.

Mr. Dooley is also a director of Jefferies Group, Inc.

Mr. Grills is also a Director Emeritus of Duke University Management Company. He also serves as a member and former Chairman of the Investment Advisory Committee of the Virginia Retirement System. Mr. Grills is a member of the Association of Financial Professionals Committee on Investment of Employee Benefit Assets and its executive committee and is a former chairman of that committee. He is also a Trustee of the National Trust for

## Historic Preservation.

Mr. Henry is also a director of Health Care Property Investors, Inc. and The Retail Initiative, Inc., an affiliated company of Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC).

Mr. Hughes is also a trustee of the State Retirement and Pension System of Maryland.

Mr. Coviello is also a director of Getty Realty Corp.

*Term of Office.* All directors of the Company serve terms of one year and until the election and qualification of their respective successors.

Attendance at Board Meetings and 2008 Annual Meeting. The Board of Directors met nine times in person or telephonically in 2008. All of the current members of the Board attended at least 75% of the meetings held during their tenure. All of the Directors of the Board were in attendance at the 2008 Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on May 13, 2008. Our Director Attendance policy is included in our Corporate Governance Guidelines, which is available through the Investor Relations/Corporate Governance/Highlights/Governance Documents section of the Company\_s website located at www.kimcorealty.com and is available in print to any stockholder who requests it.

Stockholder Communications with Directors. The Audit Committee and the non-management directors have established procedures to enable anyone who has a concern about the Company[]s conduct or policies, or any employee who has a concern about the Company[]s accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters, to communicate that concern directly to the Board, to the Lead Director, to the non-management directors or to the Audit Committee. Such communications may be confidential or anonymous, and may be submitted in writing by sending a letter by mail addressed to the Board of Directors, the non-management directors or the Lead Director by sending a letter by mail addressed to the Board of Directors or the non-management directors (or Lead Director) c/o Secretary of the Company, Kimco Realty Corporation, 3333 New Hyde Park Road, New Hyde Park, New York, 11042-0020. The Board has designated Richard G. Dooley as its Lead Director to review stockholder communications and present them to the entire Board or forward them to the appropriate Directors.

## **Director Independence**

Pursuant to the New York Stock Exchange listing standards, our Board of Directors has adopted a formal set of categorical standards of Director Independence. These categorical standards specify the criteria by which the independence of our Directors will be determined, including guidelines for Directors and their immediate families with respect to past employment or affiliation with the Company or its independent registered public accounting firm. These categorical standards meet, and in some areas exceed, the listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange. The Board s categorical standards are included in our Corporate Governance Guidelines, which is available through the Investor Relations/Corporate Governance/Highlights/Governance Documents section of the Company s website located at www.kimcorealty.com.

In accordance with these categorical standards and the listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange, the Board undertook its annual review of the independence of its Directors on February 3, 2009. During this review, the Board considered transactions and relationships between each Director or members of his immediate family and the Company. The Board also considered whether there were any transactions or relationships between Directors or members of their immediate family (or any entity

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of which a Director or an immediate family member is an executive officer, general partner or significant equity holder). The purpose of this review was to determine whether any such relationships or transactions existed that were inconsistent with a determination that the Director is independent.

As a result of this review, the Board affirmatively determined that the following nominees for Director are independent of the Company and its management under the standards set forth in the categorical standards and the New York Stock Exchange listing requirements:

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Joe Grills	Richard G. Dooley
Frank Lourenso	F. Patrick Hughes
Philip E. Coviello	Richard Saltzman

In making these determinations, the Board considered the relationships and transactions described under the caption [Certain Relationships and Related Transactions] beginning on page 32.

With respect to all transactions considered by the Board, the amount involved in these transactions in each of the last three years did not approach the thresholds set forth in the categorical standards. In addition, none of the Directors family members served as an executive officer of the Company.

#### **Committees of the Board of Directors**

Audit Committee. The Audit Committee currently consists of Mr. Hughes, who is chairman of the Audit Committee, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Grills and Mr. Coviello, all of whom are independent directors. The Board of Directors has established the Audit Committee to (i) appoint and oversee the engagement of independent registered public accountants, (ii) review with the independent registered public accountants their plans and results of the audit engagement, (iii) approve professional services provided by the independent registered public accountants, (iv) review the independence of the independent registered public accountants, (v) consider the range of audit and non-audit fees, (vi) review the Company[]s financial statements and financial reporting issues and (vii) review the adequacy of the Company[]s internal accounting controls. Nine meetings of the Audit Committee were held in person or telephonically during 2008. Each of Mr. Hughes, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Grills and Mr. Coviello is an []audit committee financial expert[], as determined by the Board in accordance with Item 407(d)(5) of Regulation S-K, and are []independent[] from the Company as defined by the current listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange. The Audit Committee Charter, as amended, adopted by the Board of Directors. A copy of the Audit Committee Charter, as amended, is available through the Investor Relations/Corporate Governance/Highlights/Committee Charters section of the Company[]s website located at www.kimcorealty.com and is available in print to any stockholder who requests it.

*Executive Compensation Committee.* The Executive Compensation Committee currently consists of Mr. Grills, who is chairman of the Executive Compensation Committee, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Lourenso, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Saltzman and Mr. Coviello, all of whom are independent directors. The Board of Directors has established an Executive Compensation Committee to (i) review (in consultation with management or the Board), recommend to the Board for approval and evaluate the compensation plans, policies and programs of the Company, especially those regarding executive compensation and (ii) determine the compensation of the chief executive officer and all other executive officers of the Company.

More specifically, the Executive Compensation Committee annually reviews and approves corporate goals and objectives relevant to the total direct compensation[]that is, changes in base salary, bonus payments and equity awards[]of the Chief Executive Officer. For other named executive officers, the Executive Compensation Committee reviews their performance against these goals and objectives and, based on its evaluation, approves their total direct compensation. The details of the processes and procedures involved are described in the Compensation Discussion and Analysis ([]CD&A[]) beginning on page 9.

Twelve meetings of the Executive Compensation Committee were held in person or telephonically during 2008. The Executive Compensation Committee operates under a written charter adopted by the Board of Directors. A copy of the Executive Compensation Committee Charter is available through the Investor Relations/Corporate Governance/Highlights/Committee Charters section of the Company swebsite located at www.kimcorealty.com and is available in print to any stockholder who requests it.

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. The Board of Directors has established a Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee which currently consists of Mr. Dooley, who is chairman of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, Mr. Grills, Mr. Lourenso, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Saltzman and Mr. Coviello, all of whom are independent directors as defined by the rules of the New York Stock Exchange. The functions of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee include recommending candidates for annual election to the

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Board of Directors, to fill vacancies on the Board of Directors that may arise from time-to-time and senior management succession. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is not limited to any specific process in identifying candidates and will consider candidates suggested by other members of the Board, as well as candidates recommended by stockholders, provided such recommendations are submitted in writing ninety days in advance of the anniversary of the preceding year[]s annual meeting of stockholders. Such recommendations should include the name and address and other pertinent information about the candidate as is required to be included in the Company[]s proxy statement. Recommendations should be submitted to the Secretary of the Company. In addition, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is authorized to retain search firms and other consultants to assist it in identifying candidates and fulfilling other duties.

In reviewing possible Board candidates, including candidates recommended by stockholders, the Committee considers a candidate industry expertise, ethical standards, integrity and personal reputation and accounting and finance background. The Committee also considers other relevant factors as it deems appropriate, including the current composition of the Board, the balance of management and independent directors, and the evaluations of other prospective candidates. After completing this evaluation and review, the Committee makes a recommendation to the full Board as to the persons who should be nominated by the Board, and the Board determines the nominees after considering the recommendation and report of the Committee.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is also responsible for ensuring that the Company adheres to good corporate governance principles and for developing and implementing the Company[]s (i) Corporate Governance Guidelines that apply to all of its directors and management and (ii) Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for all of its directors and employees. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is also charged with the task of ensuring the Company[]s compliance with all New York Stock Exchange listing requirements. Four meetings of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee were held in person during 2008. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee operates under a written charter adopted by the Board of Directors. Copies of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee charter, the Corporate Governance Guidelines, and the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics are available through the Investor Relations/Corporate Governance/Highlights section of the Company]s website located a<u>t www.kimcorealty.com</u> and are available in print to any stockholder who requests it.

Attendance at Committee Meetings. Each of the Directors comprising these various Committees of the Board of Directors attended at least 75% of all meetings of such Committees held during their tenure.

Meetings of Non-Management Directors. The Non-Management Directors meet in executive session at each regularly-scheduled Board meeting, or more frequently if necessary. []Non-Management[] Directors are all those Directors who are not employees of the Company. The Non-Management Directors consist of Messrs. Dooley, Grills, Hughes, Lourenso, Saltzman and Coviello. The Board of Directors has named Richard G. Dooley as its Lead Director. In this capacity, Mr. Dooley is designated to chair executive sessions of the Company[]s Non-Management Directors and to act as a liaison between management and other independent directors. Stockholders wishing to communicate with the Lead Director or with the Non-Management Directors as a group may send a letter by mail addressed to the Lead Director c/o Secretary of the Company, Kimco Realty Corporation, 3333 New Hyde Park Road, New Hyde Park, New York, 11042-0020.

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#### **Vote Required**

Assuming the presence of a quorum, in uncontested elections of directors, such as this election, each director must be elected by a majority of the votes cast by the shares of Common Stock present, in person or by proxy, and entitled to vote at the Meeting. With respect to director elections, a [majority of the votes cast] means the affirmative vote of a majority of the total votes cast [for] and [against] such nominee. In accordance with the Company[]s Bylaws, for purposes of determining the outcome of the election of directors, shares represented by proxies reflecting abstentions or broker non-votes will not count as a vote cast with respect to a director]s election, therefore will have no effect on the election of directors.

# THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY RECOMMENDS THAT YOU VOTE FOR ALL OF THE NOMINEES SET FORTH IN THIS PROXY STATEMENT.

## Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management

The following table sets forth certain information available to the Company, as of March 18, 2009, with respect to shares of its Common Stock and Class F and Class G Preferred Stock (i) held by those persons known to the Company to be the beneficial owners (as determined under the rules of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the [SEC]) of more than 5% of such shares and (ii) held, individually and as a group, by the directors and executive officers of the Company.

Name & Address (where required)	Shares Owned Beneficially (#)			Percent of Class (%)		
of Beneficial Owner Wellington Management Co, LLP. 75 State Street Boston, MA 02109	Common 29,844,739 (1	Class F _)	Class G -	Common 11.0	Class F(2) -	Class G(2) -