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Popular, Inc.

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SUPPLEMENT, DATED APRIL 26, 2010 (To Proxy Statement Dated March 15, 2010)

Popular, Inc.

P.O. Box 362708

San Juan, Puerto Rico 00936-2708

To the stockholders of Popular, Inc.:

This supplement to the Proxy Statement dated March 15, 2010 (this Supplement) is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Directors of Popular, Inc. (the Corporation) for use at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Corporation (the Meeting) to be held on May 4, 2010, beginning at 9:00 a.m., local time, on the third floor of the Centro Europa Building, 1492 Ponce de León Avenue, San Juan, Puerto Rico, and at any postponements or adjournments thereof.

This Supplement corrects the Proxy Statement dated March 15, 2010 by amending and restating the first paragraph in the section titled **What vote is required and how are abstentions and broker non-votes treated?** (with new text underlined):

To be elected, directors must receive a majority of the votes cast (the number of shares voted FOR a director nominee must exceed the number of votes cast AGAINST the nominee). For additional information relating to the election of directors, see Proposal 1: Election of Directors. **Broker non-votes and abstentions will not be counted as either a vote cast for or a vote cast against the nominee and, therefore, will have no effect on the results for the election of directors.**

This Supplement does not change the Proxy Statement dated March 15, 2010 other than as described above. The proxy card mailed to stockholders on or about March 19, 2010 remains valid and effective for the proposals set forth in the Proxy Statement dated March 15, 2010 as supplemented hereby. All proxy cards executed prior to the date of this Supplement and not revoked prior to the Meeting will be voted in accordance with the instructions contained in such proxy cards. You may change your vote at any time before the vote takes place at the Meeting. To do so or to vote by proxy if you have not yet voted, send in the attached proxy card with a later date, or cast a new vote by telephone or over the Internet, or send a written notice of revocation to the President or Secretary of Popular, Inc., (751), P.O. Box 362708, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00936-2708, delivered before the proxy is exercised.

If you attend the Meeting and want to vote in person, you may request that your previously submitted proxy not be used. If you want to vote in person at the Meeting, and you hold your shares of the Corporation's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, through a securities broker or nominee (that is, in street name), you must obtain a proxy from your broker or nominee and bring that proxy to the Meeting.

If you have not yet voted by proxy, we encourage you to do so by following the instructions set forth on the attached proxy card.

If you have any questions, please contact Georgeson Inc., which is assisting the Corporation in connection with the solicitation of proxies, toll-free at 866-316-3922.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, on April 26, 2010.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

SAMUEL T. CÉSPEDES

Secretary

C/O PROXY SERVICES

P.O. BOX 9142

FARMINGDALE, NY 11735-9544

IF YOU WISH TO VOTE BY TELEPHONE, INTERNET OR MAIL, PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW.

Popular, Inc. encourages you to take advantage of the convenient ways to vote for matters to be covered at the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Please take the opportunity to use one of the three voting methods outlined below to cast your ballot.

VOTE BY PHONE - 1-800-690-6903

Use any touch-tone telephone to transmit your voting instructions up until 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time the day before the meeting date. Have your proxy card in hand when you call and follow the simple instructions the Vote Voice provides you.

VOTE BY INTERNET - www.proxyvote.com

Use the Internet to transmit your voting instructions and for electronic delivery of information up until 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time the day before the meeting date. Have your proxy card in hand when you access the web site and follow the instructions to obtain your records and to create an electronic voting instruction form.

VOTE BY MAIL

Please mark, sign, date and return this proxy card promptly using the enclosed postage prepaid envelope. No postage is required if mailed in the United States, Puerto Rico or the U.S. Virgin Islands.

PLEASE SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THIS PROXY CARD PROMPTLY USING THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE.

BLOCKS BELOW IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS FOLLOWS:

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THIS PROXY CARD IS VALID ONLY WHEN SIGNED AND DATED.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

To Be Held on Tuesday, May 4, 2010

To the Stockholders of Popular, Inc.:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Popular, Inc. (the Corporation) for the year 2010 will be held at 9:00 a.m., local time, on Tuesday, May 4, 2010, on the third floor of the Centro Europa Building, 1492 Ponce de León Avenue, in San Juan, Puerto Rico (the Meeting), to consider and act upon the following matters:

(1) To elect three directors of the Corporation for a three-year term:

1a. Michael T. Masin

For Against

1b. Manuel Morales Jr.

1c. José R. Vizcarrondo

To elect two directors of the Corporation for a two-year term:

For Against

1d. Alejandro M. Ballester

1e. Carlos A. Unanue

This Proxy, when properly executed, will be voted in the manner directed herein by the undersigned stockholder. IF NO DIRECTION IS MADE, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR ALL ITEMS IDENTIFIED ABOVE.

PLEASE SIGN AS YOUR NAME APPEARS ON THIS FORM. IF SHARES ARE HELD JOINTLY, ALL OWNERS SHOULD SIGN. CORPORATION PROXIES SHOULD BE SIGNED BY AN AUTHORIZED OFFICER. EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES, ETC. SHOULD SO INDICATE WHEN SIGNING.

	For	Against	Abstain
(2) To amend Article Fifth of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation to eliminate the provision that the amount of authorized capital stock of any class or classes of the Corporation may be increased or decreased by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of stock of the Corporation entitled to vote.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(3) To amend Article Fifth of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation to increase the authorized number of shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, from 700,000,000 to 1,700,000,000.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(4) To provide an advisory vote related to the Corporation's executive compensation program.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(5) To ratify the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm of the Corporation for 2010.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(6) To approve the adjournment or postponement of the Meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies, in the event there are not sufficient votes at the time of the Meeting to approve the proposals set forth in Item 2 or Item 3.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Such other business as may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

Signature [PLEASE SIGN WITHIN BOX]

Date

Signature (Joint Owners)

Date

Important Notice Regarding Internet Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting:

The 2010 Notice and Proxy Statement, 10K/Annual Report Wrap and Letter are available at www.proxyvote.com.

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This Proxy is Solicited on Behalf of the Board of Directors.

The undersigned hereby appoints Richard L. Carrión, Jorge A. Junquera and David H. Chafey Jr. or any one or more of them as proxies, each with the power to appoint his substitute, and authorizes them to represent and to vote as designated on the reverse side all the shares of common stock of Popular, Inc. held of record by the undersigned on March 5, 2010, at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held at the Centro Europa Building, 1492 Ponce de León Avenue, Third Floor, San Juan, Puerto Rico, on May 4, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., local time, or at any adjournments thereof. The proxies are further authorized to vote such shares upon any other business that may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournments thereof.