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STAGE STORES INC.

BEALLS PALAIS ROYAL PEBBLES STAGE

10201 Main Street
Houston, Texas 77025

April 24, 2009

Dear Shareholder:

On behalf of the Board of Directors, it is my pleasure to invite you to attend the 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Stage Stores, Inc. on Thursday, June 4, 2009, at 1:00 p.m. local time, in Houston, Texas. Information about the Annual Meeting is presented in the following pages.

The Annual Meeting will begin with a discussion and vote on the matters set forth in the accompanying Notice of 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and Proxy Statement, followed by a discussion on any other business matters that are properly brought before the meeting.

Your vote is very important. We encourage you to read the Proxy Statement and vote your shares as soon as possible. Whether or not you plan to attend, you can be sure your shares are represented at the Annual Meeting by promptly completing, signing, dating and returning your Proxy Card in the enclosed envelope or by submitting your vote and proxy by telephone or by the Internet.

If you will need special assistance at the Annual Meeting because of a disability, please contact Bob Aronson, Vice President, Investor Relations, at (800) 579-2302.

Thank you for your continued support of Stage Stores, Inc. We look forward to seeing you on June 4th.

Sincerely,

James R. Scarborough
Chairman of the Board

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