

FRANKLIN UNIVERSAL TRUST

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NOTICE OF MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Dear Valued Shareholder:

We've been trying to reach you because we need your help. Today the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Franklin Universal Trust was adjourned until Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. This will provide shareholders who have not cast their important proxy vote with additional time to do so.

If you have not voted, please help your Fund to avoid the cost of additional solicitation efforts by casting your vote today.

Effective as of March 12, 2019, John B. Wilson is no longer a member of the Fund's Board of Trustees and the size of the Board has been reduced from nine to eight Trustees. In addition, Mr. Wilson is no longer a nominee for the Fund's Board at the Annual Shareholders' Meeting.

Franklin Templeton sincerely thanks you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Lori A. Weber  
Vice President and Co-Secretary  
Franklin Universal Trust

Here are four convenient methods to cast your vote today:

1. Vote by touch-tone phone: You may cast your vote by telephone using an automated system by calling the toll-free number found on the enclosed proxy card(s).
2. Vote online: You may cast your vote by visiting the web address located on the enclosed proxy card(s) and following the instructions on the website.
3. Vote by mail: You may cast your vote by signing, dating and mailing the enclosed proxy card(s) in the postage-prepaid return envelope provided.
4. Vote by Phone with a Representative: You may cast your vote by telephone with a proxy representative by calling toll-free (800) 434-3719. Representatives are available Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Eastern Time.

We would be very grateful if you would use any one of the above voting methods listed to ensure that your vote is recorded by or before March 28, 2019.

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Details of the Annual Meeting are described in the proxy statement that has been sent to all shareholders. For more information, please refer to the proxy statement, which can be found at <https://www.proxyonline.com/docs/FUT2019.pdf>. We urge you to spend a few minutes reviewing the Proposals in the proxy statement. If you have any proxy related questions, or would like to cast your proxy

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vote by phone, please call 1-800-434-3719 for assistance. Representatives are available Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Eastern Time.

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