

INLAND WESTERN RETAIL REAL ESTATE TRUST INC  
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January 10, 2011

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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Dear Stockholder:

The board of directors declared a fourth quarter 2010 distribution of \$0.05625 per share payable to Inland Western Retail Real Estate Trust, Inc. ( Inland Western ) stockholders of record at the close of business on December 31, 2010. **This represents the fifth consecutive quarter-to-quarter increase in distribution rates** and equates to a 2.25% annualized yield assuming a purchase price of \$10.00 per share or a 3.3% annualized yield based upon the December 31, 2009 estimated value of \$6.85 per share. Our board of directors determines each distribution quarterly; therefore, the annualized yield is not necessarily indicative of future distributions.

Enclosed is your portion of the fourth quarter 2010 distribution to Inland Western stockholders. If you have invested through a trustee, or participate in Direct Deposit or the Distribution Reinvestment Program, a distribution statement is enclosed in lieu of a check.

#### **Special Meeting of Stockholders**

In December, a proxy statement was mailed to Inland Western stockholders of record as of December 1, 2010 for a special meeting of stockholders to be held on February 24, 2011. The purpose of the special meeting is to consider and to vote upon the following proposals:

- To approve an amendment and restatement of our charter; and
- To permit the Board of Directors to adjourn the special meeting, if necessary, to solicit additional proxies in favor of the foregoing proposal if there are not sufficient votes for the proposal.

**The Board of Directors unanimously recommends that stockholders vote FOR the proposals as set forth in the proxy statement that was sent to you several weeks ago.**

Your vote is extremely important and **your shares cannot be voted unless you give your specific instructions**. If you have not already voted your shares, please vote today by using the toll-free telephone voting service or the internet. Voting instructions are located on the proxy card that was enclosed with the proxy statement. You may also vote by signing, dating and returning the proxy card in the provided envelope. If you have any questions regarding voting or are unable to locate your proxy materials, please call our proxy solicitor, Morrow & Co., LLC, toll-free at 800.573.4804. We greatly appreciate you taking the time to vote on these matters.

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**Form 1099s**

Form 1099s will be mailed to stockholders of record on or before January 31, 2011 by Registrar and Transfer Company ( R&T ). Tax information, as well as other account information, may be accessed on R&T 's website at [www.rtco.com](http://www.rtco.com).

If you have any questions regarding your Inland Western investment, please contact your financial advisor or Inland Western Investor Relations at 800.541.7661.

Sincerely,  
INLAND WESTERN RETAIL REAL ESTATE TRUST, INC.

Steven P. Grimes  
President and Chief Executive Officer

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