

## Royce Global Value Trust, Inc.

July 9, 2020

## Dear Stockholder,

- Our records indicate you have not voted your shares
- Your vote is required to approve the new investment advisory agreement
- Without your vote, the Fund's operations may be terminated

The Royce Global Value Trust, Inc. (the "Fund") Special Meeting of Stockholders (the "Special Meeting") is scheduled to be held July 14, 2020. This means that time is running short for you to vote to approve a new investment advisory agreement¹ with the Fund's investment manager, Royce Investment Partners ("Royce")². Vote today to ensure that Royce continues operating the Fund and executing the differentiated strategy that is delivering strong returns for you year after year.

## Support the Investment Manager with a Proven Track Record

Vote "FOR" the new agreement with Royce, which is building on the Fund's strong track record including...



Consistently outperforming the Fund's benchmark<sup>3</sup> over key timeframes, including the quarter, year-to-date and over the past 1-, 3-, and 5-year periods ended 6/30/20, as well as since the Fund's inception (10/17/13)<sup>4</sup>



Outperforming the benchmark<sup>3</sup> in each of the two previous full market cycle periods and from the 1/17/20 index peak through 6/30/20<sup>4</sup>



Outperforming the comparable open-end Morningstar category average (US Fund World Small/Mid Stock)<sup>5</sup> over key timeframes, including the quarter, year-to-date and over the past 1-, 3-, and 5-year periods ended 6/30/20<sup>4</sup>

The Fund's record of outperformance and the benefits of the new agreement have also been recognized by two leading independent proxy advisory firms, Institutional Shareholder Services Inc. ("ISS") and Glass Lewis & Co. ("Glass Lewis"). ISS and Glass Lewis both recently published reports recommending that stockholders vote "FOR" the new agreement.

In order for the new agreement to be approved, stockholders owning a majority of the Fund's outstanding shares must vote **"FOR"** the agreement<sup>6</sup>. This is a high threshold, so every vote matters. If the agreement is not approved, the Fund may be forced to seek approval to liquidate *resulting in negative consequences to your investment*. Please vote as not voting is the same as voting against the agreement.

# Protect the Value of Your Investment – Vote the WHITE Proxy Card Today

We urge you to follow the unanimous recommendation of the Fund's Board of Directors as well as that of ISS and Glass Lewis by voting "FOR" the agreement by internet, phone or by signing, dating and mailing the WHITE proxy card.





#### Your Vote is Important, No Matter How Many or How Few Shares You Own

You can vote by internet, telephone or by signing and dating the **WHITE** proxy card and mailing it in the envelope provided. If you have any questions about how to vote your shares or need additional assistance, please contact:

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#### REMEMBER

We urge you not to vote using any other colored proxy card as doing so will revoke your vote on the **WHITE** proxy card.

- Due to the "change of control" that will result from the pending combination of Legg Mason Inc. ("Legg Mason") and Franklin Resources, Inc., a global investment management organization operating as Franklin Templeton, that will cause the Fund's current investment advisory agreement to terminate in accordance with its terms as required by applicable law.
- <sup>2</sup> Royce & Associates, LP is a Delaware limited partnership that primarily conducts its business under the name Royce Investment Partners.
- <sup>3</sup> Fund benchmark is the MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index, an unmanaged, capitalization-weighted index of global small-cap stocks. Index returns include net reinvested dividends and/or interest income.
- <sup>4</sup> Returns calculated on a net asset value ("NAV") basis.
- <sup>5</sup> For the Morningstar World Small/Mid Stock Category: © 2020 Morningstar. All Rights Reserved. The information regarding the category in this piece: (1) is proprietary to Morningstar and/or its content providers; (2) may not be copied or distributed; and (3) is not warranted to be accurate, complete or timely. Neither Morningstar nor its content providers are responsible for any damages or losses arising from any use of this information. World small/mid Stock portfolios invest in a variety of international stocks that are smaller. World-stock portfolios have few geographical limitations. It is common for these portfolios to invest the majority of their assets in developed markets, with the remainder divided among the globe's smaller markets. These portfolios typically have 20%-60% of assets in U.S. stocks.
- <sup>6</sup> Fund stockholders as of the close of business on May 1, 2020 are entitled to vote at the Special Meeting.

#### Forward-looking Statement

This letter is not an offer to purchase nor a solicitation of an offer to sell shares of the Fund. This letter may contain statements regarding plans and expectations for the future that constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements other than statements of historical fact are forward-looking and can sometimes be identified by the use of words such as "plan," "expect," "will," "should," "could," "anticipate," "intend," "project," "estimate," "guidance," "possible," "continue" and other similar terms and phrases, although not all forward-looking statements include these words. Such forward-looking statements are based on the current plans and expectations of the Fund, and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results, performance and events to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. Additionally, past performance is no guarantee of future results. Additional information concerning such risks and uncertainties are or will be contained in the Fund's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Fund's Annual Report to Stockholders on Form N-CSR, for the year ended December 31, 2019, and subsequent filings with the Commission. These factors should be considered carefully and readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements. The Fund undertakes no responsibility to update publicly or revise any forward-looking statement.