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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT  
(TO PROSPECTUS DATED JUNE 2, 1999)

2,000,000 COMMON SHARES

ENTERTAINMENT PROPERTIES TRUST

We are offering 2,000,000 common shares of beneficial interest at a price of \$19.25 per share. Our common shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "EPR." The last reported sale price of our common shares on February 4, 2002 was \$19.69 per share.

Investing in our common shares involves certain risks. You should carefully consider the information under the heading "Risk Factors" on page 3 of the accompanying prospectus, the "Additional Risk Factors" on page S-6 of this prospectus supplement, and the risks described in the documents incorporated by reference to read about factors you should consider before buying our common shares.

NEITHER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED OF THESE SECURITIES OR DETERMINED IF THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT IS ACCURATE OR COMPLETE. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

	PER SHARE -----	TOTAL -----
Initial price to public.....	\$ 19.25	\$38,500,000
Underwriting discount.....	\$ 0.515	\$ 1,030,000
Proceeds, before expenses, to us.....	\$18.735	\$37,470,000

We have granted the underwriter an option to purchase an additional 300,000 common shares at the public offering price, less the underwriting discounts and commissions, solely to cover over-allotments, if any.

We expect that the common shares will be ready for delivery on or about February 8, 2002.

FRIEDMAN BILLINGS RAMSEY

February 4, 2002

You should rely only on the information contained in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. We have not, and the underwriter has not, authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are not, and the underwriter is not, making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. The information in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus is current as of the date such information is presented. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since those dates.

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## FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

With the exception of historical information, this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and our reports filed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act") and incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus contain forward-looking statements, such as those pertaining to the acquisition of properties, our capital resources and our results of operations. Forward-looking statements involve numerous risks and uncertainties and you should not rely on them as predictions of actual events. There is no assurance the events or circumstances reflected in the forward-looking statements will occur. You can identify forward-looking statements by use of words such as "will be," "intend," "continue," "believe," "may," "expect," "hope," "anticipate," "goal," "forecast," or other comparable terms, or by discussions of strategy, plans or intentions. Forward-looking statements are necessarily dependent on assumptions, data or methods that may be incorrect or imprecise. EPR's actual financial condition, results of operations or business may vary materially from those contemplated by these forward-looking statements and involve various uncertainties, including but not limited to the factors described under "Risk Factors" in the accompanying prospectus, "Additional Risk Factors" in this prospectus supplement and the risks described in our reports under the Exchange Act. We caution you not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which reflect our analysis only.

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### OUR COMPANY

EPR was formed on August 22, 1997 as a Maryland real estate investment trust. We completed an initial public offering of our shares on November 18, 1997. Our executive offices are located at 30 Pershing Road, Suite 201, Kansas City, Missouri 64108. Our telephone number is (816) 472-1700.

EPR is a self-administered REIT. Our real estate portfolio currently consists of 27 megaplex theatre properties located in eleven states and one entertainment-themed retail center property located in Westminster, Colorado. We also own land parcels and related properties adjacent to several of our theatre properties. Our theatre properties are leased to leading theatre operators, including AMC Entertainment, Inc. ("AMC"), Consolidated Theatres, Muvico Entertainment LLC ("Muvico") and Edwards Theatre Circuits, Inc. ("Edwards").

We are the only publicly-held REIT formed exclusively to invest in entertainment-related properties leased to leading operators. We believe entertainment is an important sector of the retail real estate industry and that, as a result of the Company's focus on properties in this sector and the industry relationships of our management, we have a competitive advantage in providing capital to operators of these types of properties. The principal business strategy of the Company is to continue acquiring high-quality properties leased to entertainment and entertainment-related business operators, generally under long-term triple-net leases that require the tenant to pay substantially all expenses associated with the operation and maintenance of the property.

Megaplex theatres typically have at least 14 screens with predominantly stadium-style seating (seating with elevation between rows to provide unobstructed viewing) and are equipped with amenities that significantly enhance the audio and visual experience of the patron. We believe the development of megaplex theatres has accelerated the obsolescence of many previously-existing movie theatres by setting new standards for moviegoers, who, in our experience, have demonstrated their preference for the more attractive surroundings, wider variety of films, superior customer service and more comfortable seating typical of megaplex theatres.

We expect the development of megaplex theatres to continue in the United States and abroad in the immediate future. As a result of the significant capital commitment involved in building these properties and the experience and industry relationships of our management, we believe EPR will continue to have opportunities to provide capital to businesses that seek to develop and operate these properties but would prefer to lease rather than own the properties. We believe our ability to finance these properties will enable EPR to continue to grow and diversify its asset base.

We have elected to be treated as a real estate investment trust (a "REIT") for federal income tax purposes. In order to maintain our status as a REIT, we must comply with a number of requirements under federal income tax law that are discussed under "Federal Income Tax Consequences" in the accompanying prospectus.

As a REIT, EPR primarily leases its properties to tenants on a triple-net basis and does not operate its properties. Instead, the tenants, and not the Company, assume the primary risks involved in the operation.

### RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

#### PROPOSED GULF STATES ACQUISITION

On January 7, 2001, we entered into a letter of intent to acquire the theatre real estate assets of five limited liability companies doing business as

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Gulf States Theatres. Gulf States currently operates five megaplex movie theatres with an aggregate of 68 screens in the New Orleans, Louisiana metropolitan area.

We anticipate that the purchase price will include the issuance of \$15 million in preferred interests in a limited liability company we would form to purchase the interests in the Gulf States entities. These units would pay a 10% annual return and would be exchangeable for our common shares at an exchange rate of

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\$17.50 per unit. We anticipate that EPR would be obligated to guaranty payment of the 10% return. We also expect to grant registration rights with respect to the shares we would issue in exchange for the units.

Following the solicitation of bids from several national theatre operators, Gulf States has entered into a letter of intent with AMC to acquire the non-real estate assets and operations of Gulf States, and simultaneous with the closing of the acquisition, we expect to enter into long-term net leases with AMC, who would operate the theatres. We would expect the rental and other terms of the leases to be substantially similar to the leases for our other theatre properties.

The closing of the acquisition and the leases are subject to various conditions precedent, including the negotiation of definitive documents with Gulf States and AMC, and there can be no assurance we will complete these transactions or that the final terms of the transactions will be as described above. See "Additional Risk Factors" on page S-6 of this prospectus supplement.

### ACQUISITION OF JOINT VENTURE INTEREST IN WESTMINSTER RETAIL CENTER

On December 11, 2001, we acquired the remaining 50% interest in the entertainment-themed retail center development in Westminster, Colorado which we did not already own for a purchase price of \$13.5 million. The center is a multi-tenant retail property anchored by an AMC megaplex theatre which is subject to an existing mortgage.

### INCREASE IN THE SIZE OF OUR CREDIT FACILITY

On October 31, 2001, we increased the size of an existing secured credit facility from \$50 million to \$75 million for the purpose of funding the Westminster joint venture acquisition and other potential property acquisitions.

### REIT MODERNIZATION ACT

The REIT Modernization Act ("RMA") was passed by Congress and became effective for tax years beginning after December 31, 2000. Among other things, the RMA permits REITs to invest in taxable REIT subsidiaries ("TRS") subject to certain limitations.

### CHANGES TO THE ASSET TESTS

The RMA amended Section 856(c)(4) of the Code so that it now provides that, except for real estate assets, cash and cash items (including receivables), and government securities: (a) not more than 25% of the value of a REIT's total assets can consist of securities, (b) not more than 20% of the value of a REIT's total assets can be represented by securities of one or more TRSs, and (c) except with respect to TRSs and the securities previously mentioned, (i) not more than 5% of the value of the REIT's total assets can consist of securities of any one issuer, and (ii) the REIT cannot hold securities having a value of

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more than 10% of the total voting power or total value of the outstanding securities of any one issuer. For purposes of the requirements of subparagraph (ii), certain straight debt obligations may be disregarded.

### IMPERMISSIBLE TENANT SERVICES INCOME

The RMA amended Section 856(d)(7)(C) of the Code so that it now provides that income from services furnished or rendered, or management or operation provided, through an independent contractor from whom the REIT does not derive or receive any income or through a TRS does not constitute impermissible tenant service income.

### INCOME FROM TRS TREATED AS RENTS FROM REAL PROPERTY

The RMA amended Section 856(d) of the Code so that amounts paid to a REIT by a TRS will not be excluded from rents from real property if at least 90% of the leased space of the property is rented to persons other than the TRS of such REIT and other than persons that are considered related under Section

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856(d)(2)(B) of the Code and the amount paid is substantially comparable to rents made by other tenants of the REIT's property for comparable space.

### DETERMINATION OF RENT

The RMA made two amendments that affect the determination of rent. Section 856(d) of the Code was amended so that the allocation of rent between personal and real property is now based on fair market value as opposed to adjusted bases. In addition, Section 856(d)(2)(B) of the Code was amended so that it excludes from the definition of rent amounts received from a party in which the REIT owns 10% or more of the total value of its stock, rather than the total number of shares.

### DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENT

The RMA amended Section 857(a) of the Code and reduced the amount of distribution required by a REIT. Currently, a REIT must distribute to its shareholders an amount equal to 90% of the REIT's taxable income before deductions for dividends paid and excluding net capital gain.

### THE OFFERING

Common shares offered.....	2,000,000 shares
Common shares to be outstanding after the offering.....	16,801,759 shares
Use of proceeds.....	For general corporate purposes, including the potential acquisition of megaplex movie theatre properties and related assets
New York Stock Exchange symbol.....	EPR

The above information regarding shares to be outstanding after the offering excludes shares issuable upon exercise of our outstanding options or in the form of bonuses to or direct share purchases by our officers, or any shares issuable in exchange for securities that may be issued in the Gulf States acquisition.

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## PRICE RANGE OF COMMON SHARES AND DIVIDENDS

The following table shows the high and low sale prices for our common shares for the periods indicated as reported by the New York Stock Exchange and the dividends per common share paid by us with respect to each such period.

	HIGH ----	LOW ---	DIVIDENDS -----
2000			
First Quarter.....	\$14.4375	\$11.1275	\$0.44
Second Quarter.....	\$ 15.00	\$ 12.50	\$0.44
Third Quarter.....	\$ 14.625	\$10.4375	\$0.44
Fourth Quarter.....	\$ 12.25	\$10.5625	\$0.44
2001			
First Quarter.....	\$ 15.00	\$ 11.25	\$0.45
Second Quarter.....	\$ 18.64	\$ 13.85	\$0.45
Third Quarter.....	\$ 18.65	\$ 15.60	\$0.45
Fourth Quarter.....	\$ 19.68	\$ 15.85	\$0.45
2002			
First Quarter (through February 4, 2002).....	\$ 20.85	\$ 19.03	\$0.45

On February 4, 2002, the last reported sale price of our common shares was \$19.69 per share.

Generally, we expect to pay dividends to our common shareholders on or about the 15th day of each January, April, July and October. Dividends are paid at the discretion of our Board of Trustees and will depend on our Funds from Operations ("FFO"), our financial condition, capital requirements, the annual distribution requirements under the REIT provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("the Code"), and such other factors as the Board of Trustees deems relevant. There can be no assurance we will continue to pay dividends in the future, or that our future dividend rate will equal or exceed our historical dividend rate.

We have implemented a dividend reinvestment and direct share purchase plan under which our shareholders may elect to automatically reinvest their dividends in our common shares. To fulfill our obligations under this plan, we may, from time to time, issue additional common shares, or the plan administrator may purchase shares in the open market.

## USE OF PROCEEDS

The net proceeds to us from the sale of the common shares are expected to be approximately \$37,345,000 (\$42,965,500 if the underwriter exercises its over-allotment option in full) after deducting the underwriting discount and the estimated expenses of this offering. We currently intend to use the net proceeds from this offering for general corporate purposes, including the acquisition of properties and/or repayment of debt.

Pending application of net proceeds, we expect to invest net proceeds in interest-bearing accounts and short-term interest-bearing securities which are consistent with our qualification as a REIT.

## ADDITIONAL RISK FACTORS

WE MAY NOT SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THE PROPOSED GULF STATES ACQUISITION, OR MAY COMPLETE THE ACQUISITION ON DIFFERENT TERMS.

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The completion of the Gulf States acquisition is uncertain based on the fact that:

- We, Gulf States and AMC are still finalizing the terms of the proposed transaction and the transaction will not progress without successful completion of definitive agreements with Gulf States and AMC.

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- The completion of the acquisition will be subject to numerous contingencies which may not be realized. We may also complete the Gulf States acquisition and AMC leases on different terms than we currently anticipate.

To the extent the proceeds of this offering are not used in the Gulf States acquisition, we may acquire other theatre properties. There can be no assurance we can acquire additional properties and/or lease properties on favorable terms.

WE ARE DEPENDENT ON OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICERS TO OPERATE OUR BUSINESS AND ACQUIRE AND FINANCE PROPERTIES.

EPR's success depends to a large extent upon the experience and abilities of our executive officers, David M. Brain, our President and Chief Executive Officer, Fred L. Kennon, our Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, and Gregory K. Silvers, our Vice President, Chief Development Officer and General Counsel. The loss of any of these executives' services could have a material adverse effect on our Company.

THE RECENT TERRORIST ATTACKS IN THE UNITED STATES COULD HAVE A NEGATIVE EFFECT ON OUR EARNINGS.

The terrorist attacks which occurred in New York City and Washington, D.C. on September 11, 2001, and the subsequent military actions taken by the United States and its allies in response, have caused significant uncertainty in the global financial markets. While the short-term and long-term affects of these events and their potential consequences are uncertain, they could have a material adverse effect on general economic conditions, consumer confidence and market liquidity. Among other things, it is possible that short-term interest rates may be affected by these events. If short-term interest rates increase rapidly, it would cause our borrowing costs to increase faster than increases in the rental rates for our properties. If that were to happen, our earnings would be negatively affected. Increases in short-term interest rates could also adversely affect the earnings or capital of our tenants. If movie attendance is reduced due to uncertain economic conditions, that could also adversely affect the operations of our tenants.

### UNDERWRITING

Friedman, Billings, Ramsey & Co., Inc. is acting as the sole underwriter of this offering. Subject to the terms and conditions contained in the underwriting agreement, we have agreed to sell to the underwriter, and the underwriter has agreed to purchase from us, a total of 2,000,000 common shares. The underwriting agreement provides that the obligation of the underwriter to pay for and accept delivery of our common shares is subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and to certain other conditions. The underwriter is obligated to take and pay for all of our common shares offered hereby, other than those covered by the over-allotment option described below, if any such shares are taken.

The following table shows the per share and total underwriting discount we will pay to the underwriter. The amounts are shown assuming both no exercise and

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full exercise of the underwriter's option to purchase 300,000 additional common shares to cover over-allotments.

	NO EXERCISE -----	FULL EXERCISE -----
Per Share.....	\$ 0.515	\$ 0.515
Total.....	\$1,030,000	\$1,184,500

Our executive officers have agreed with the underwriter, for a period of 90 days after the date of this prospectus supplement, subject to certain exceptions, not to sell any of our shares, or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares, owned by them, without the prior written consent of the underwriter. However, the underwriter may, in its sole discretion and at any time without notice, release all or any portion of the securities subject to these agreements.

The underwriter proposes to offer our common shares directly to the public at \$19.25 per share and to certain dealers at this price less a concession not in excess of \$0.28 per share. The underwriter may allow, and the dealers may realow, a concession not in excess of \$0.10 per share to certain dealers.

We expect to incur expenses of approximately \$125,000 in connection with this offering.

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We have granted the underwriter an option, exercisable for 30 days after the date of this prospectus supplement, to purchase up to 300,000 additional shares to cover over-allotments, if any, at the public offering price less the underwriting discount described on the cover page of this prospectus supplement. If the underwriter exercises this option, the underwriter will have a firm commitment, subject to certain conditions, to purchase all of the shares covered by the option.

We have agreed to indemnify the underwriter against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or to contribute to payments the underwriter may be required to make in respect thereof.

In connection with the offering, the underwriter is permitted to engage in certain transactions that stabilize the price of our common shares. These transactions consist of bids or purchases for the purpose of pegging, fixing or maintaining the price of our common shares. If the underwriter creates a short position in our common shares in connection with the offering by selling more than 2,000,000 shares, the underwriter may reduce that short position by purchasing our shares in the open market. In general, purchases of a security for the purpose of stabilization or to reduce a short position could cause the price of the security to be higher than it might be in the absence of those purchases. Neither we nor the underwriter make any representation or prediction as to the direction or magnitude of any effect that the transactions described above may have on the price of our common shares. In addition, neither we nor the underwriter make any representation that the underwriter will engage in those transactions or that those transactions, once commenced, will not be discontinued without notice.

LEGAL OPINIONS



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The validity of the common shares offered by this prospectus supplement has been passed upon for us by Kutak Rock LLP, Kansas City, Missouri. In addition, the description of federal income tax consequences in "Federal Income Tax Consequences" in the accompanying prospectus and in "Recent Developments -- REIT Modernization Act" in this prospectus supplement is based on the opinion of Kutak Rock LLP. Certain legal matters in connection with this offering will be passed upon for the underwriter by Winston & Strawn, Chicago, Illinois.

### EXPERTS

Ernst & Young LLP, independent auditors, have audited our consolidated financial statements and schedule included in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000, as set forth in their report, which is incorporated by reference in the accompanying prospectus and elsewhere in the registration statement. Such consolidated financial statements and schedule are incorporated by reference in reliance on Ernst & Young LLP's report given upon the authority of that firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

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### PROSPECTUS

#### ENTERTAINMENT PROPERTIES TRUST 5,000,000 COMMON SHARES OF BENEFICIAL INTEREST

Entertainment Properties Trust may offer common shares of beneficial interest, par value \$.01 per share, from time to time. The shares will be offered for cash on terms to be determined at the time of the offering.

The shares may be sold directly or through agents, underwriters or dealers. If any agent or underwriter is involved in selling the shares, its name, the applicable purchase price, fee, commission or discount arrangement, and the net proceeds to the Company from the sale of the shares will be listed in a Prospectus Supplement. See "Plan of Distribution."

Our shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "EPR." The last reported sales price of the Shares on June 1, 1999 was \$18.687 per share.

The Company has paid regular quarterly dividends to its shareholders. See "About EPR" and "Description of Common Shares."

The specific terms of an offering will be included in one or more Supplements to this Prospectus. You should read this Prospectus and the applicable Prospectus Supplement carefully before you invest.

INVESTING IN THESE SECURITIES INVOLVES CERTAIN RISKS. SEE THE "RISK FACTORS" BEGINNING ON PAGE 3.

NEITHER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED OF THESE SECURITIES OR DETERMINED IF THIS PROSPECTUS IS TRUTHFUL OR COMPLETE. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

THIS PROSPECTUS MAY NOT BE USED FOR ANY SALES OF SHARES UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY A PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT.

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THE DATE OF THIS PROSPECTUS IS JUNE 2, 1999.

### ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This Prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") using a "shelf registration" process. Under this shelf process, Entertainment Properties Trust ("EPR" or the "Company") may sell up to 5,000,000 common shares of beneficial interest (the "Shares") described in this Prospectus in one or more offerings.

This Prospectus provides you with a general description of the Shares. Each time we sell Shares, we will provide a Prospectus Supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of the offering. The Prospectus Supplement may also update or change information provided in this Prospectus. You should read both this Prospectus and the applicable Prospectus Supplement together with the additional information described under "Where You Can Find More Information."

### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

As a public company with securities listed on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"), we must comply with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). This requires that we file annual, quarterly and special reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any reports, proxy statements or other information we file at the SEC's Public Reference Rooms at Room 1024, Judiciary Plaza, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington D.C. 20549 and at the SEC's regional offices at Seven World Trade Center, 13th Floor, New York, New York 10048, and Citicorp Center, 500 West Madison Street, Suite 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60661-2511. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information. Copies of these materials may be obtained by mail from the Public Reference Rooms of the SEC. You may also access our SEC filings at the SEC's Internet website (<http://www.sec.gov>). You can inspect reports and other information we file at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005.

We have filed a registration statement which includes this Prospectus plus related Exhibits with the SEC under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). The registration statement contains additional information about EPR and the Shares. You may view the registration statement and Exhibits on file at the SEC's website. You may also inspect the registration statement and Exhibits without charge at the SEC's offices at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, and you may obtain copies from the SEC at prescribed rates.

### INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" the information we file with the SEC, which means we can disclose important information to you by referring to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is an important part of this Prospectus. Any statement contained in a document which is incorporated by reference in this Prospectus is automatically updated and superseded if information contained in this Prospectus, or information we later file with the SEC, modifies or replaces that information.

The documents listed below have been filed by EPR under the Exchange Act (File No. 1-13561) and are incorporated by reference in this Prospectus:

1. EPR's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1998.
2. EPR's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 1999.

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3. EPR's Proxy Statement dated March 30, 1999.
4. All documents filed by EPR under Section 13(a), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date of this Prospectus and prior to the termination of the offering of the Shares covered by this Prospectus.

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To obtain a free copy of any of the documents incorporated by reference in this Prospectus (other than Exhibits, unless they are specifically incorporated by reference in the documents) please contact us at Investor Relations Department, Entertainment Properties Trust, 1200 Main Street, Suite 3250, Kansas City, Missouri, 64105, telephone number (816) 472-1700, facsimile (816) 472-5794, e-mail [info@eprkc.com](mailto:info@eprkc.com).

Our SEC filings are also available from our Internet website at <http://www.eprkc.com>.

As you read these documents, you may find some differences in information from one document to another. If you find differences between the documents and this Prospectus, you should rely on the statements made in the most recent document.

YOU SHOULD RELY ONLY ON THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS PROSPECTUS OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE. WE HAVE NOT AUTHORIZED ANYONE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH INFORMATION THAT IS DIFFERENT. WE MAY ONLY USE THIS PROSPECTUS TO SELL SHARES IF IT IS ACCOMPANIED BY A PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT. WE ARE ONLY OFFERING THE SHARES IN STATES WHERE THE OFFER IS PERMITTED. YOU SHOULD NOT ASSUME THE INFORMATION IN THIS PROSPECTUS OR THE APPLICABLE PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT IS ACCURATE AS OF ANY DATE OTHER THAN THE DATE ON THE FRONT OF THESE DOCUMENTS.

### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

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### RISK FACTORS

Before you invest in our Shares, you should be aware that purchasing our Shares involves various risks, including those described below. You should carefully consider these risk factors, together with the other information in this Prospectus and accompanying Prospectus Supplement, before purchasing our

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Shares.

WE CANNOT ASSURE YOU WE WILL CONTINUE PAYING DIVIDENDS AT HISTORICAL RATES

Our ability to continue paying dividends at historical rates will depend on a number of factors, including our financial condition and results of future operations, the performance of lease terms by tenants, our ability to acquire, finance and lease additional properties at attractive rates, and provisions in our loan covenants.

THERE ARE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH OUR DEBT FINANCINGS

It is our current policy to maintain a ratio of debt-to-total market capitalization of less than 50%. Nevertheless, EPR is subject to the customary risks associated with debt financing, including the risk that interest rates on our existing Bank Credit Facility or future debt financings may increase (which could reduce our ability to pay dividends), that our cash flow may be insufficient to meet debt service requirements, and that we may not be able to refinance or repay the debt as it becomes due. A portion of our debt financing is secured by mortgages on certain of our properties, which could be lost in foreclosure if we fail to meet mortgage payments.

DEBT RESTRICTIONS MAY AFFECT OPERATIONS AND NEGATIVELY AFFECT OUR ABILITY TO REPAY INDEBTEDNESS AT MATURITY

Our \$150 million Bank Credit Facility contains a number of provisions that restrict the amount of secured debt we can obtain and the amount of dividends we can pay our shareholders (dividends may not exceed 90% of funds from operations ("FFO") unless a higher amount is necessary to preserve our status as a real estate investment trust ("REIT")), as well as provisions affecting the eligibility and value of properties in our borrowing base. The Bank Credit Facility matures in March 2001. Our \$108 million secured mortgage facility does not mature until July 11, 2028, but is subject to a "hyper-amortization" feature commencing in 2008 which may require us to repay or refinance that debt at that time. If we cannot obtain acceptable financing to refinance this indebtedness at the appropriate time, we may have to sell properties to repay the indebtedness or certain properties could be foreclosed upon, which could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition. If our mortgage facility is foreclosed upon, this may accelerate our Bank Credit Facility and would cause us to lose income and asset value.

POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY

Under federal, state and local laws relating to the protection of the environment ("Environmental Laws"), a current or previous owner of real estate may be liable for contamination resulting from the presence or discharge of hazardous or toxic substances on the property. Owners may be required to investigate and remediate contamination on the property as well as contamination that has migrated from the property. Environmental Laws typically impose liability and clean-up responsibility regardless of whether the owner knew of or caused the contamination. This liability may be joint and several unless the harm is divisible and there is a reasonable basis to allocate responsibility. An owner or operator of a property may also be subject to claims by third parties based on personal injury, property damage or other costs, including investigation and clean-up costs, resulting from environmental contamination. Environmental Laws may also impose restrictions on the manner in which a property is used or transferred. These restrictions may impose expenditures. Environmental Laws also impose potential liability on parties who arrange the transportation, disposal or treatment of hazardous or toxic substances, even if they do not operate the facility at which the substances are disposed of or treated.

Our leases require tenants to operate the properties in compliance with Environmental Laws and to indemnify us against environmental liability arising from the operation of the properties. However, we could be subject to strict liability by virtue of our ownership of the properties. There is also a risk that tenants may not satisfy their environmental compliance and indemnification obligations under the leases. Any of these conditions could have an adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition and our ability to service our debt and pay dividends to shareholders.

#### GENERAL RISKS OF OWNING REAL ESTATE

Although our lease terms obligate the tenants to bear substantially all of the costs of operating the properties, EPR is subject to the general risks of investing in real estate. These include the performance of lease terms by tenants, changes in economic conditions, local conditions (such as oversupply of megaplex theatres or other entertainment-related properties), the lease rates we are able to obtain, the supply and price of quality entertainment properties, the impact of Environmental Laws, changes in tax, zoning and other laws, and other real estate risks. In the case of entertainment-themed retail centers ("ETRC's"), we may bear the risk of finding a sufficient number of suitable tenants to permit the centers to operate profitably and provide a return to the Company. These centers may also be subject to fluctuations in occupancy rates, which would also affect our operating results. If we enter into joint ventures with developers to develop megaplex theatres or ETRC's, we will bear the risk that the joint venture partner may not perform, which could create delays in construction or leasing. There is no assurance tenants will elect to renew their leases. If a tenant does not renew its lease or defaults on its lease obligations, there is no assurance we could obtain a substitute tenant on acceptable terms. We may be required to modify a megaplex theatre property in order to release it, which could entail a significant capital cost. If any such property is a ground leased property, we would be required to continue making the ground lease payments or risk losing the property. If we ever desire or are required to sell or refinance a property, we will be subject to risks arising from fluctuations in interest rates and real estate values and credit availability. In addition, real estate investments are relatively illiquid, which would limit our ability to sell properties if required to meet debt obligations or generate operating capital.

#### THE NEED TO RAISE ADDITIONAL CAPITAL TO FUND PROPERTY ACQUISITIONS

Our ability to acquire additional properties will depend on our ability to obtain additional financing on favorable terms, which will in turn be dependent on factors such as conditions in equity or credit markets and the performance of REITs generally. EPR has filed the registration statement, which includes this Prospectus, for the purpose of raising funds for the acquisition of properties or paying down debt which may then be used to acquire properties, but the actual amount of proceeds we will raise under this Prospectus and the Prospectus Supplements cannot be predicted at this time. We may seek to leverage the proceeds raised in one or more offerings under this Prospectus and Prospectus Supplements by incurring additional borrowing or entering into joint ventures, but the availability of these types of financings cannot be assured.

#### CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO QUALIFY AS A REIT

Our ability to continue qualifying as a REIT will depend on our compliance with a number of conditions under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), as well as possible future legislation, new regulations, administrative interpretations or court decisions. If we fail to maintain our REIT qualification for any reason, we would be subject to corporate taxation and

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would not be entitled to a tax deduction for dividends paid to our shareholders. This would significantly reduce the funds available for distribution to our shareholders. In addition, any loss of our REIT status would mean we would no longer be required to pay dividends to our shareholders.

### DEPENDENCE ON A SINGLE TENANT AND LEASE GUARANTOR FOR A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF LEASE REVENUES

Approximately 70% of our properties are leased to America Multi-Cinema, Inc. or its subsidiaries ("AMC"), a subsidiary of AMC Entertainment, Inc. ("AMCE") which has guaranteed AMC's

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performance under those leases. EPR has diversified and expects to continue diversifying its asset base by entering into lease transactions with a number of other quality operators, but EPR's revenues and its continuing ability to pay shareholder dividends remain substantially dependent on AMC's performance under its leases and AMCE's performance under its guaranty. Peter C. Brown, the Chairman of our Board of Trustees, is Co-Chairman, President and a director of AMCE and Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of AMC. Mr. Brown does not participate in discussions with AMC regarding acquisition or lease terms.

### OPERATING RISKS IN THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY THAT MAY AFFECT THE OPERATIONS OF EPR'S TENANTS

The ability of our tenants to operate successfully in the entertainment industry and remain current on their lease obligations depends on a number of factors, including the availability and popularity of motion pictures, the performance of those pictures in tenants' markets, the allocation of popular pictures to tenants and the terms on which the pictures are licensed. Neither EPR nor our tenants have control over the operations of motion picture distributors. Megaplex movie theatres require greater capital expenditures than the previous generation of multiplex theatres. Our ability to recover our investment in these properties in the event of a default by tenants under the leases is uncertain. The success of "out-of-home" entertainment venues such as megaplex theatres and ETRC's also depends on general economic conditions and the willingness of consumers to spend time and money on out-of-home entertainment. The development of megaplex movie theatres has rendered many older multiplex theatres obsolete. To the extent tenants own or operate a substantial number of multiplexes, the financial condition of those tenants could be adversely affected by this trend. Megaplex theatre operators could also be adversely affected by any overbuilding of megaplex theatres in their markets.

### SOME LOSSES ARE NOT INSURED AGAINST

Our leases require tenants to insure the properties against casualty, workers' compensation claims and other perils. However, there are some risks (such as hurricanes, earthquakes and wars) that are either not insurable or only insurable at prohibitive cost. If an uninsured loss occurs, we could lose our investment in a property and the anticipated lease revenue from the property.

### THERE ARE RISKS IF TENANTS BECOME BANKRUPT

If any of our tenants or lease guarantors is the subject of a bankruptcy proceeding, the tenant or lease guarantor could reject the lease or guaranty, which could deprive us of the rental revenue from that property and would leave us only with a limited claim for damages.

### THERE ARE RISKS INVOLVED IN REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT

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Our ETRC development in Westminster, Colorado and any future ETRC's or other properties we may seek to develop will involve risks not typically encountered in the purchase and lease-back of megaplex theatres which are developed by the operator. Although our officers have experience in real estate development, we do not employ a significant in-house development staff. Although this permits us to operate more efficiently, it will require us to rely on joint venture partners or other developers with which we work. There can be no assurance these parties will successfully develop those properties or that cost overruns or other problems will not be encountered in the development process.

### DEPENDENCE ON EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

EPR's success depends to a large extent upon the experience and abilities of our executives, including our Chairman, Peter C. Brown, our President, Robert L. Harris, and our Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer, David M. Brain. The loss of any of these executives' services could have a material adverse effect on the Company.

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### THE IMPACT OF GOVERNMENT REGULATION

EPR's properties are subject to federal, state and local laws and regulations, including zoning, public access, environmental and other regulations and the Americans with Disabilities Act. Although our tenants have assumed the responsibility to comply with these laws and regulations, the cost of that compliance adds to our tenants' cost of doing business which could have an impact on their lease performance. If tenants fail to comply with these laws or regulations, EPR may be required to do so, which would affect our operating results and could affect the amount of shareholder dividends.

### THE EFFECT OF COMPETITION

Although EPR is the first publicly-held REIT formed exclusively to invest in entertainment-related properties, EPR faces competition from other suppliers of capital to the entertainment industry and may in the future be subject to competition from other entertainment REITs.

### ANTI-TAKEOVER PROVISIONS WHICH MAY AFFECT SHAREHOLDER VALUE

There are a number of provisions in EPR's Declaration of Trust, Maryland law and agreements with AMCE which could make it more difficult for a party to make a tender offer for our Shares or complete a takeover of EPR which is not approved by the Board of Trustees. These include provisions for a staggered Board of Trustees, a limit on beneficial ownership of Shares as described in "Description of Common Shares," the ability of the Board of Trustees to issue preferred shares or reclassify preferred or common shares without shareholder approval, limits on the ability of shareholders to remove trustees without cause, a requirement for advance notice of shareholder proposals at annual shareholder meetings, provisions of Maryland law restricting business combinations and control share acquisitions not approved by the Board of Trustees, and AMCE's ability to terminate a Right to Purchase Agreement for additional megaplex theatre properties in the event of a change in control of EPR. Any or all of these provisions could delay or prevent a change in control of EPR, even if the change were in the shareholders' interests or offered a greater return to shareholders.

### EFFECT OF MARKET INTEREST RATES ON SHARE PRICES

The annual yield on the price paid for our Shares from dividends paid by

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EPR may influence the public market price for our Shares. An increase in market interest rates may persuade persons who may otherwise invest in our Shares to seek higher yields from their investments, which may adversely affect the market price for our Shares.

### SHARES AVAILABLE FOR FUTURE SALE

We cannot predict the effect, if any, that future sales of Shares or exercises of Share options for future sales may have on the market price for our Shares. Sales of substantial amounts of our Shares, or the perception that those sales could occur, may adversely affect the market price for our Shares.

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## BUSINESS AND PROPERTIES

### BUSINESS

EPR was formed on August 22, 1997 as a Maryland-incorporated real estate investment trust. We completed an initial public offering of our Shares on November 18, 1997.

EPR is a self-administered REIT. Our real estate portfolio currently consists of 21 megaplex theatre properties located in eleven states and one ETRC development property located in Westminster, Colorado. We also own land parcels and related properties adjacent to several of our theatre properties. Our theatre properties are leased to leading theatre operators, including AMCE, Consolidated Theatres, Muvico Entertainment LLC ("Muvico") and Edwards Theatre Circuits, Inc ("Edwards"). We have also agreed to acquire theatre properties to be operated by Regal Cinemas and Loews Cineplex Entertainment.

Megaplex theatres typically have at least 14 screens with predominantly stadium-style seating (seating with elevation between rows to provide unobstructed viewing) and are equipped with amenities that significantly enhance the audio and visual experience of the patron. We believe the development of megaplex theatres has accelerated the obsolescence of many existing movie theatres by setting new standards for moviegoers, who, in our experience, have demonstrated their preference for the more attractive surroundings, wider variety of films, superior customer service and more comfortable seating typical of megaplex theatres.

We expect the development of megaplex theatres to continue in the United States and abroad in the immediate future. As a result of the significant capital commitment involved in building these properties and the experience and industry relationships of our management, we believe EPR will continue to have opportunities to provide capital to businesses that seek to develop and operate these properties but would prefer to lease rather than own the properties. We believe our ability to finance these properties will enable EPR to continue to grow and diversify its asset base.

As a REIT, EPR primarily leases its properties to tenants on a triple-net basis and does not operate its properties. Instead, the tenants, and not the Company, assume the primary risks involved in the operation of the properties.

### BUSINESS OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGIES

Our business objectives are to continue enhancing shareholder value by achieving predictable and increasing FFO per Share (defined as net income plus depreciation divided by the number of Shares outstanding) and acquiring and developing a diversified portfolio of high-quality properties leased to entertainment and entertainment-related business operators, generally under



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long-term triple-net leases. We intend to achieve these objectives by continuing to execute the Growth Strategies, Operating Strategies and Capitalization Strategies described below:

### GROWTH STRATEGIES

- Purchasing additional properties pursuant to existing agreements between EPR and leading theatre operators.
- Developing or acquiring additional megaplex theatre properties and leasing those properties to other qualified theatre exhibitors.
- Developing or acquiring, and leasing to qualified operators or master tenants, ETRC's and single-tenant, out-of-home, location-based entertainment and entertainment-related properties.

Future Properties. Pursuant to agreements with AMC's parent, AMCE, and with Edwards, Muvico and others, EPR has the right to acquire and lease back to the operator a number of existing and future megaplex theatre properties. See "Tenants and Leases" and "Pending Acquisitions" under "Properties" for a discussion of these agreements.

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Other Megaplex Properties. We intend to pursue acquisitions of other high-quality properties from operators with a strong market presence and believe we will continue to have opportunities to purchase megaplex theatres developed by these operators.

Entertainment-Themed Retail Centers. We intend to pursue acquisitions of additional ETRC's, which are generally large multi-tenant retail developments that incorporate such elements as megaplex theatres, restaurants, book and/or music superstores, interactive entertainment venues and other specialty retail or leisure-time activities. EPR believes the most important component of an ETRC is a megaplex theatre because it attracts substantial customer traffic to the site. ETRC's typically provide a family entertainment experience by creating an atmosphere of fun and excitement. We believe that by broadening the traditional retail shopping concept, ETRC's attract a greater number of customers to spend more time and money at a single location. We also believe access to capital in this developing market is generally limited for all but the largest entertainment companies. As a result of the significant capital commitment involved in developing these projects and the experience and relationships of our management, we believe we will have opportunities to provide capital to businesses that seek to develop and operate these properties but would prefer to lease rather than own the properties. Our ability to finance the acquisition and development of these properties should enable EPR to grow and diversify its asset base.

We believe we will have opportunities to provide capital to developers and operators of entertainment and entertainment-related properties due to our strong capital base of shareholders' equity, the proceeds to be raised in this offering and funds available under our Bank Credit Facility. We also believe we should be in a position to acquire new properties for Shares or a combination of cash and Shares, creating the opportunity for transactions structured on a tax-deferred basis to the seller (though a subsidiary partnership or otherwise) and thereby potentially reducing the price that would be paid in all-cash transactions. We have filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the purpose of registering up to 5,000,000 Shares for potential issuance in exchange for the acquisition of properties. Any of these methods would reduce the amount of cash we would otherwise invest in properties.

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### OPERATING STRATEGIES

- Purchasing single-tenant properties supported by long-term leases or multi-tenant properties that are substantially leased to minimize the risks inherent in initial leasing.
- Structuring leases, where possible, on a triple-net or similar basis under which the tenants bear substantially all operational expenses connected with the properties.
- Structuring leases for contractual increases in rent and/or percentage rent based upon a percentage of a tenant's gross sales over a pre-determined level.
- Developing and maintaining long-term working relationships with theatre, restaurant, retail and other entertainment-related business operators and developers.
- Diversifying our asset base by property type and tenant.

Lease Risk Minimization. To avoid initial lease-up risks and produce a predictable income stream, we intend to acquire single-tenant properties that are leased under long-term leases or multi-tenant properties that are substantially leased or leased to a master tenant. We believe our willingness to make long-term investments in properties offers tenants financial flexibility and allows tenants to allocate capital to their core businesses.

Lease Structure. We intend to structure leases, where possible, on a triple-net or similar basis under which the tenants bear the principal portion of the financial and operational responsibility for the properties. During each lease term and any renewal periods, we intend to provide for periodic increases in rent and/or percentage rent based upon a percentage of the tenant's gross sales over a pre-determined level.

Tenant Relationships. We will seek to develop and maintain long-term working relationships with theatre, restaurant and other entertainment-related business operators and developers by providing capital for

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multiple properties on a national or regional basis, thereby enhancing efficiency and value to those operators and to EPR. In addition to existing tenants, we will target tenants whose competitive position and financial strength are deemed adequate to meet their obligations throughout the lease terms.

Portfolio Diversification. EPR will endeavor to further diversify its asset base by property type and tenant. In pursuing this diversification strategy, we will target theatre, restaurant, retail and other entertainment-related business operators which we view as leaders in their market segments and which have the financial strength to compete effectively and perform under their leases with the Company. If, as expected, ETRCs include an increasing number of diverse tenants, we expect to be able to serve the widening demands of this market and include additional complementary properties in our portfolio.

### CAPITALIZATION STRATEGIES

- Employing moderate leverage, including the Bank Credit Facility, to fund additional acquisitions.
- Pursuing joint venture opportunities and other arrangements to fund

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additional property acquisitions.

- Maintaining a debt-to-total capitalization ratio consistent with prudent management and market expectations.
- Paying regular distributions and periodically increasing distributions to shareholders to the extent expected increases in FFO and Cash Available for Distribution (net earnings plus depreciation and amortization minus capital expenditures and principal payments on indebtedness) are realized.

**Moderate Use of Leverage; Debt-to-Total Capitalization.** We endeavor to enhance shareholder return through the moderate use of leverage. As of March 31, 1999, we had a \$150 million Bank Credit Facility with approximately \$44 million in loan availability. We may reduce the principal balance of the Bank Credit Facility with net proceeds from this offering and use advances under the Bank Credit Facility to finance the acquisition of properties. In addition, we may in the future obtain additional secured debt and/or refinance our existing unsecured debt with long-term debt or proceeds from the issuance of additional equity as circumstances warrant and opportunities to do so become available. We expect to maintain a debt-to-total capitalization ratio (i.e., total debt as a percentage of shareholders' equity plus total debt) of less than 50%.

**Joint Ventures.** We will examine and pursue potential joint venture opportunities with institutional investors or developers if they are considered to add value to our shareholders. We may employ higher leverage in such joint ventures.

**Payment of Regular Distributions.** We have paid and expect to continue paying quarterly dividend distributions to our shareholders. Among the factors the Board of Trustees considers in setting the dividend rate are the Company's results of operations, including FFO per Share, and the Company's Cash Available for Distribution. We expect to periodically increase distributions as FFO and Cash Available for Distribution increase and as other considerations and factors warrant.

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### PROPERTIES

The following table lists the Company's properties, their locations, acquisition dates, number of theatre screens, number of seats, gross square footage, and the tenant.

PROPERTY	LOCATION	ACQUISITION DATE	SCREENS	SEATS	BUILDING (GROSS SQ. FT)	TENANT
Grand 24(3).....	Dallas, TX	11/97	24	5,067	98,175	AMC
Mission Valley						
20(1)(3).....	San Diego, CA	11/97	20	4,361	84,352	AMC
Promenade 16(3).....	Los Angeles, CA	11/97	16	2,860	129,822	AMC
Ontario Mills 30(3).....	Los Angeles, CA	11/97	30	5,469	131,534	AMC
Lennox 24(1)(3).....	Columbus, OH	11/97	24	4,412	98,261	AMC
West Olive 16(3).....	St. Louis, MO	11/97	16	2,817	60,418	AMC
Studio 30(3).....	Houston, TX	11/97	30	6,032	136,154	AMC
Huebner Oaks 24(3).....	San Antonio, TX	11/97	24	4,400	96,004	AMC
First Colony 24(1).....	Houston, TX	11/97	24	5,098	107,690	AMC
Oakview 24(1).....	Omaha, NE	11/97	24	5,098	107,402	AMC

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Leewood Town Center 20..	Kansas City, MO	11/97	20	2,995	75,224	AMC
Gulf Pointe 30(2).....	Houston, TX	02/98	30	6,008	130,891	AMC
South Barrington 30.....	Chicago, IL	03/98	30	6,210	130,891	AMC
Cantera 30(2).....	Chicago, IL	03/98	30	6,210	130,757	AMC
Mesquite 30(2).....	Dallas, TX	04/98	30	6,008	130,891	AMC
Hampton Town Center 24..	Norfolk, VA	06/98	24	5,098	107,396	AMC
Raleigh Grand 16.....	Raleigh, NC	08/98	16	2,596	51,450	Consol
Muvico Pompano 18.....	Pompano Beach, FL	08/98	18	3,424	73,637	Muvico
Pompano Kmart.....	Pompano Beach, FL	11/98	--	--	80,540	Kmart
Nickels Restaurant.....	Pompano Beach, FL	11/98	--	--	5,600	Nickel
Westminster Promenade...	Westminster, CO	10/98	--	--	--	Multi-
Muvico Paradise 24.....	Davie, FL	11/98	24	4,180	96,497	Muvico
Boise Stadium(1).....	Boise, ID	12/98	20	4,734	140,300	Edward
Aliso Veijo 20.....	Los Angeles, CA	12/98	20	4,352	98,557	Edward
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TOTAL.....			494	97,429	2,302,443	

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- (1) Third party ground leased property. Although EPR is the tenant under the ground leases and has assumed responsibility for performing the obligations thereunder, pursuant to the theatre leases, the tenants are responsible for performing EPR's obligations under the ground leases.
  - (2) In addition to the theatre property itself, EPR has acquired land parcels adjacent to the theatre property which EPR intends to ground lease or sell to restaurant or other entertainment themed operators.
  - (3) Property is included as security for a \$105 million mortgage facility.

All of the properties are owned or ground leased directly by the Company.

### PENDING ACQUISITIONS

On July 22, 1998, EPR announced a definitive agreement with Sofran Powder Springs, Limited Partnership to acquire the Powder Springs 22-screen, 5,194-seat megaplex theatre in suburban Atlanta, Georgia. EPR intends to acquire the 22-screen theatre in the third quarter of 1999. The theatre will be operated by Regal Cinemas, based in Knoxville, Tennessee. According to publicly available information, Regal Cinemas is a national movie exhibitor that operates over 250 theatres in 28 states with more than 2,400 screens.

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On February 17, 1999, EPR announced the pending acquisition of the Loews Woodridge 18 theatre located in Woodridge, Illinois in suburban Chicago. EPR intends to acquire the 18 screen, 4,343 seat megaplex theatre during the second quarter of 1999. The theatre will be operated by Loews Cineplex Entertainment Corporation, the world's largest publicly traded theatre exhibition company measured by revenues.

### TENANTS AND LEASES

EPR acquired an initial portfolio of sixteen megaplex theatre properties (the "AMC Properties") from subsidiaries of AMCE, including AMC, for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$362 million. Eleven of the AMC Properties were acquired in 1997 and five were acquired in 1998. Twelve of the AMC Properties were described in the Company's IPO Prospectus as the "Initial Properties" to be acquired by the Company, and four AMC Properties were among the "Option Properties" described in the IPO Prospectus. The AMC Properties have

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an aggregate of 396 screens and 78,160 seats. Each AMC Property is located in a large metropolitan market and was constructed on or after May 1995. Each AMC Property was acquired by the Company at a price equal to AMCE's cost of development and construction.

EPR's existing leases with AMC (the "AMC Leases") provide for aggregate annual rentals of approximately \$38.3 million, or an average annual rental of approximately \$2.4 million per Property. AMC's obligations under each Lease are guaranteed by AMCE. The Leases have initial terms ranging from 13 to 15 years (the "Fixed Term") and may be extended upon the same terms and conditions for four additional five-year terms (each, an "Extended Term") at the option of AMC. The Leases are triple-net leases that require AMC to pay substantially all expenses associated with the operation of the Properties, including taxes and other governmental charges, insurance, utilities, service, maintenance and any ground lease payments. Each Lease requires that, for a period of ten years, AMC must operate the Property only as a movie theatre and activities incidental thereto.

The rental schedules under the AMC Leases provide a stable source of cash flow while allowing EPR to participate in future revenue growth experienced at those theatres. Rent for the first year of each Lease is set at a fixed amount and is subject to increase each year by the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index ("CPI") for the previous year, not to exceed 2%. In addition, once AMC earns revenues in excess of a baseline amount it becomes obligated to pay annual percentage rent on the basis of such revenues. However, EPR does not expect to receive any annual percentage rent from AMC for at least five years after the commencement date of each Lease.

During each Fixed Term, certain of AMC's obligations, including payment obligations, under each Lease are cross-defaulted to each of the other AMC Leases until AMCE's senior debt obligations or corporate credit are rated investment grade or AMC's rental payments to EPR represent less than 50% of AMC's Lease obligations, but AMC's payment obligations under the Leases and AMCE's obligations under its guarantees are not secured by any assets of AMC or AMCE.

Rental amounts for the properties purchased from AMC were determined by the management of AMCE and EPR and were not negotiated on an arms-length basis. The rental payments are based on an initial capitalization rate of 10.5%, which EPR believes reflects the fair market value of the AMC Properties to the Company based on rates for comparable triple-net lease transactions.

EPR has the option to purchase one additional megaplex theatre property from AMCE, or its affiliates, located in Livonia, Michigan for a purchase price equal to AMCE's cost of developing and constructing the property. The Livonia theatre, when and if acquired by the Company, would be leased to AMC on a triple-net basis on terms similar to the Company's existing AMC Leases.

Until November 2002, EPR has a right of first refusal and first offer to purchase and lease back to AMC any megaplex theatre and related entertainment property acquired or developed and owned (or ground leased) by AMCE or its subsidiaries, exercisable upon AMCE's intended disposition of the property. This right to purchase is intended to give the Company access to new projects developed by AMCE and its

subsidiaries, thereby providing opportunities for future growth, although AMCE may lease entertainment and entertainment-related properties from owners other than the Company.

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AMCE is one of the leading theatrical exhibition companies in North America measured by revenues, and is an industry leader in the development of megaplex theatre complexes. In the fiscal year ended April 2, 1998, AMCE's consolidated revenues were \$846.8 million. As of April 2, 1998, AMCE, through its subsidiaries, operated 229 theatres with an aggregate of 2,442 screens located in 23 states, the District of Columbia, Portugal and Japan. Approximately 61% of the screens operated by AMCE are located in Florida, California, Texas, Missouri and Michigan and approximately 70% of AMCE's domestic screens are located in areas among the 20 largest U.S. "Designated Market Areas" (television market as defined by Nielsen Media Research).

The Company acquired the Raleigh Grand 16 megaplex theatre property in Raleigh, North Carolina from Real Estate Innovations LLC ("REI") in the third quarter of 1998. The Lease provides for a base term of 20 years with minimum annual rental payments and percentage rent payments. The theatre is operated by Consolidated Theaters. In addition, the Company has the option to acquire, for a pre-determined price, three additional megaplex movie theatre properties to be developed by REI and operated by Consolidated Theatres in the South and Mid-Atlantic regions.

The Company acquired two megaplex theatre properties operated by Muvico in 1998. Leases for the Muvico properties provide for a base term of 20 years with minimum annual rental payments and percentage rent payments. In addition, the Company has the option to acquire, for a pre-determined price, five additional megaplex movie theatre properties, predominantly located in the State of Florida, to be operated by Muvico.

The Company acquired two megaplex theatre properties from Edwards in the fourth quarter of 1998. Leases for the Edwards properties provide for a base term of 20 years with minimum annual rental payments and percentage rent payments. In addition, the Company has a right of first refusal to acquire four additional megaplex movie theatre properties currently operated by Edwards in the State of California. The Company's rights under the agreement include the ability to match any purchase offer for the sites during the right of first refusal period.

We continue to evaluate potential megaplex theatre properties for acquisition and lease-back to quality theatre operators, as well as additional opportunities to develop or acquire ETRC's.

### USE OF PROCEEDS

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, EPR intends to use the net proceeds from any sale of Shares for general corporate purposes, including the acquisition of properties and repayment of debt. Net proceeds from the sale of Shares may initially be temporarily invested in short-term securities.

### FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES

The following summary of material federal income tax consequences is based on current law and does not intend to deal with all aspects of taxation that may be relevant to particular shareholders in light of their personal investment or tax circumstances, or to certain types of shareholders (including insurance companies, financial institutions and broker-dealers) subject to special treatment under the federal income tax laws.

EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR IS ADVISED TO CONSULT HIS OWN TAX ADVISOR REGARDING THE SPECIFIC TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP AND SALE OF SHARES.

EPR believes it has operated in a manner that permits it to satisfy the

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requirements for taxation as a REIT under the applicable provisions of the Code. EPR intends to continue to satisfy those requirements. No assurance can be given, however, that these requirements will be met.

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The provisions of the Code and the Treasury Regulations thereunder relating to qualification and operation as a REIT are highly technical and complex. The following describes the material aspects of the laws that govern the federal income tax treatment of a REIT and its shareholders. This summary is qualified in its entirety by the applicable Code provisions, rules and Treasury Regulations thereunder, and administrative and judicial interpretations thereof. Armstrong Teasdale LLP has acted as tax counsel to the Company in connection with the Company's election to be taxed as a REIT.

In the opinion of Armstrong Teasdale LLP, commencing with the Company's taxable year that ended on December 31, 1997, the Company has been organized in conformity with the requirements for qualification as a REIT, and its method of operation has and will enable it to continue to meet the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT under the Code. It must be emphasized that this opinion is based on various assumptions and is conditioned upon certain factual representations made by EPR. Moreover, our qualification and taxation as a REIT depends upon our ability to meet, through actual annual operating results, distribution levels and diversity of Share ownership, the various qualification tests imposed under the Code discussed below, the results of which will not be reviewed by Armstrong Teasdale LLP. Accordingly, no assurance can be given that the actual results of the Company's operations for any particular taxable year will satisfy these requirements. See "Failure to Qualify."

In brief, if certain detailed conditions imposed by the REIT provisions of the Code are satisfied, entities such as EPR that invest primarily in real estate and that otherwise would be treated for federal income tax purposes as corporations are generally not taxed at the corporate level on their "REIT Taxable Income" (generally the REIT's taxable income adjusted for, among other things, the disallowance of the dividends-received deduction generally available to corporations) that is currently distributed to shareholders. This treatment substantially eliminates the "double taxation" (i.e., taxation at both the corporate and shareholder levels) that generally results from investing in corporations.

If EPR fails to qualify as a REIT in any year, however, it will be subject to federal income tax as if it were a domestic corporation, and its shareholders will be taxed in the same manner as shareholders of ordinary corporations. In this event, EPR could be subject to potentially significant tax liabilities and the amount of cash available for distribution to its shareholders could be reduced.

### TAXATION OF THE COMPANY

#### General

In any year in which EPR qualifies as a REIT, in general, it will not be subject to federal income tax on that portion of its net income that it distributes to shareholders. However, EPR will be subject to federal income tax in these regards: (a) EPR will be taxed at regular corporate rates on any undistributed REIT Taxable Income, including undistributed net capital gains. (However, a REIT can elect to "pass through" any of its taxes paid on its undistributed net capital gain to its shareholders on a pro rata basis), (2) under certain circumstances, EPR may be subject to the "alternative minimum tax" on its items of tax preference, (3) if EPR has: (i) net income from the sale or other disposition of "foreclosure property" which is held primarily for sale to

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customers in the ordinary course of business; or (ii) other nonqualifying income from foreclosure property, it will be subject to tax at the highest corporate rate on such income, (4) if EPR has net income from "prohibited transactions" (which are, in general, certain sales or other dispositions of property held primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of business other than property held for at least four years, foreclosure property and property involuntarily converted), such income will be subject to a 100% tax, (5) if EPR fails to satisfy the 75% gross income test or the 95% gross income test (as discussed below), and has nonetheless maintained its qualification as a REIT because certain other requirements have been met, it will be subject to a 100% tax on an amount equal to (a) the gross income attributable to the greater of the amount by which EPR fails the 75% gross income test or the 95% gross income test, multiplied by (b) a fraction intended to reflect EPR's profitability, (6) if EPR fails to distribute during each calendar year at least the sum of: (i) 85% of its ordinary income for that year; (ii) 95% of its capital gain net income for that year; and (iii) any undistributed taxable income from prior periods, EPR would be subject to a 4% excise tax on the excess of such required distribution over the amounts actually distributed, (7) if EPR acquires any asset from

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a C-corporation (i.e., generally a corporation subject to full corporate-level tax) in a transaction in which the basis of the asset in EPR's hands is determined by reference to the basis of the asset (or any other property) in the hands of the C-corporation, and EPR recognizes gain on the disposition of such asset during the 10 year period beginning on the date on which that asset was acquired by EPR, then, to the extent of any built-in gain at the time of acquisition, such gain will be subject to tax at the highest regular corporate rate.

### Requirements for Qualification

The Code defines a REIT as a corporation, trust or association (1) which is managed by one or more trustees or directors, (2) the beneficial ownership of which is evidenced by transferable shares, or by transferable certificates of beneficial interest, (3) which would be taxable as a domestic corporation but for Sections 856 through 860 of the Code, (4) which is neither a financial institution nor an insurance company subject to certain provisions of the Code, (5) the beneficial ownership of which is held by 100 or more persons (the "100 person test"), (6) not more than 50% in value of the outstanding shares of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by five or fewer individuals (as defined in the Code) at any time during the last half of each taxable year (the "closely-held test"), and (7) which meets certain other tests, described below, regarding the nature of income and assets. The Treasury has proposed legislation that would also prohibit a REIT from owning securities in a corporation that represent 10 percent of the corporation's vote or value. The Code provides that conditions (1) through (4) must be met during the entire taxable year and that condition (5) must be met during at least 335 days of a taxable year of 12 months, or during a proportionate part of a taxable year of less than 12 months. Conditions (5) and (6) did not apply until after the first taxable year for which an election was made by EPR to be taxed as a REIT. In addition, beginning in 1998, a REIT's failure to satisfy condition (6) during a taxable year will not result in its disqualification as a REIT under the Code for that taxable year as long as (i) the REIT satisfies the shareholder demand statement requirements described in the succeeding paragraph and (ii) the REIT did not know, or upon exercising reasonable diligence, would not have known, whether it had failed condition (6). The Treasury has also proposed legislation that would change condition (6) by preventing any "person" (i.e., a corporation, partnership or trust) from owning shares of a REIT possessing more than 50% of the total combined voting power of all classes of voting shares or more than 50%



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of the total value of shares of all classes. A REIT must also report its income for federal income tax purposes based on the calendar year.

In order to assist EPR in complying with the 100 person test and the closely-held test, EPR has placed certain restrictions on the transfer of its Shares to prevent further concentration of stock ownership. See "Description of Common Shares." To evidence compliance with these requirements, EPR must maintain records which disclose the actual ownership of its outstanding Shares. In fulfilling its obligations to maintain records, EPR must demand written statements each year from the record holders of designated percentages of its Shares disclosing the actual owners of the Shares. A list of those persons failing or refusing to comply with such demand must be maintained as part of EPR's records. A shareholder failing or refusing to comply with EPR's written demand must submit with his or her tax returns a similar statement disclosing the actual ownership of Shares and certain other information. EPR's Declaration of Trust provides restrictions regarding the transfer of Shares that are intended to assist EPR in continuing to satisfy the Share ownership requirements.

Although EPR intends to satisfy the shareholder demand letter rules described in the preceding paragraph, its failure to satisfy these requirements will not result in its disqualification as a REIT but may result in the imposition of IRS penalties.

In the case of a REIT that is a partner in a partnership, Treasury Regulations provide that the REIT will be deemed to own its proportionate share of the assets of the partnership and will be deemed to be entitled to the income of the partnership attributable to that share. In addition, the character of the assets and gross income of a partnership shall retain the same character in the hands of a partner qualifying as a REIT for purposes of Section 856 of the Code, including satisfying the gross income tests and the asset tests, described below.

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### Asset Tests

At the close of each quarter of EPR's taxable year, EPR must satisfy two tests relating to the nature of its assets. First, at least 75% of the value of EPR's total assets must be represented by interests in real property, interests in mortgages on real property, shares in other REIT's, cash, cash items and government securities (as well as certain temporary investments in stock or debt instruments purchased with the proceeds of new capital raised by EPR). Second, although the remaining 25% of EPR's assets generally may be invested without restriction, securities in this class may not exceed either: (i) 5% of the value of EPR's total assets as to any one non-government issuer; or (ii) 10% of the outstanding voting securities of any one issuer. In addition, EPR may own 100% of "qualified REIT subsidiaries," which are, in general, corporate subsidiaries 100% owned by a REIT. All assets, liabilities and items of income, deduction and credit of a qualified REIT subsidiary will be treated as owned and realized directly by EPR.

### Gross Income Tests

There are two separate percentage tests relating to the sources of EPR's gross income which must be satisfied for each taxable year.

The 75% Test. At least 75% of EPR's gross income for each taxable year must be "qualifying income." Qualifying income generally includes (i) "rents from real property" (except as modified below), (ii) interest on obligations collateralized by mortgages on, or interests in, real property, (iii) gains from

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the sale or other disposition of interests in real property and real estate mortgages, other than gain from property held primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of EPR's trade or business ("dealer property"), (iv) dividends or other distributions on shares in other REIT's, as well as gain from the sale of those shares, (v) abatements and refunds of real property taxes, (vi) income from the operation, and gain from the sale, of property acquired at or in lieu of a foreclosure of the mortgage collateralized by such property ("foreclosure property"), and (vii) commitment fees received for agreeing to make loans collateralized by mortgages on real property or to purchase or lease real property.

In addition, rents received from a tenant will not qualify as rents from real property in satisfying the 75% test (or the 95% test described below) if EPR, or an owner of 10% or more of EPR, directly or constructively owns 10% or more of the tenant (a "related party tenant"). In addition, if rent attributable to personal property, leased in connection with a lease of real property, is greater than 15% of the total rent received under the lease, then the portion of rent attributable to such personal property will not qualify as rents from real property. Moreover, an amount received or accrued generally will not qualify as rents from real property (or as interest income) for purposes of the 75% and 95% gross income tests if it is based in whole or in part on the income or profits of any person. Rent or interest will not be disqualified, however, solely by reason of being based on a fixed percentage of receipts or sales. Finally, for rents received to qualify as rents from real property, EPR generally must not operate or manage the property or furnish or render services to tenants, other than through an "independent contractor" from whom EPR derives no revenue. The "independent contractor" requirement, however, does not apply to the extent the services provided by EPR are "usually or customarily rendered" in connection with the rental of space for occupancy only, and are not otherwise considered "rendered to the occupant." For both the related party tenant rules and determining whether an entity qualifies as an independent contractor, certain attribution rules of the Code apply, pursuant to which shares of a REIT held by one entity are deemed held by another.

Under prior law, if a REIT provided impermissible services to its tenants, all of the rent from those tenants would have been disqualified from satisfying the 75% test and 95% test (described below). Beginning in 1998, rents will not be disqualified if a REIT provides de minimis impermissible services. Services provided to tenants are considered de minimis where income derived from the services equals 1% or less of all income derived from the property (threshold determined on a property-by-property basis). For purposes of this 1% threshold, the amount treated as received for any service shall not be less than 150% of the direct cost to EPR in furnishing or rendering the services.

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The 95% Test. In addition to deriving 75% of its gross income from the sources listed above, at least 95% of EPR's gross income for each taxable year must be derived from the above-described qualifying income, or from dividends, interest or gains from the sale or disposition of stock or other securities that are not dealer property. Dividends and interest on any obligation not collateralized by an interest in real property are included for purposes of the 95% test, but not for purposes of the 75% test. Furthermore income earned on interest rate swaps and caps entered into as liability hedges against variable rate indebtedness qualify for the 95% test (but not the 75% test). Beginning in 1998, income earned on liability hedges against all of a REIT's indebtedness, such as options, futures, and forward contracts, will qualify for the 95% test (but not the 75% test). In certain cases, Treasury Regulations treat a debt instrument and a liability hedge as a synthetic debt instrument for all purposes of the Code. If a liability hedge entered into by a REIT is subject to these rules, income earned thereon will operate to reduce its interest expense, and,

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therefore such income will not affect the REIT's compliance with either the 75% or 95% tests.

Even if EPR fails to satisfy one or both of the 75% or 95% tests for any taxable year, it may still qualify as a REIT for that year if it is entitled to relief under certain provisions of the Code. These relief provisions will generally be available if (i) EPR's failure to comply was due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect, (ii) EPR reports the nature and amount of each item of its income included in the 75% and 95% tests on a schedule attached to its tax return, and (iii) any incorrect information on this schedule is not due to fraud with intent to evade tax. It is not possible, however, to state whether in all circumstances EPR would be entitled to the benefit of these relief provisions. If these relief provisions apply, EPR will, however, still be subject to a special tax upon the greater of the amount by which it fails either the 75% or 95% test for that year.

**The 30% Test.** Prior to 1998, EPR must have derived less than 30% of its gross income for each taxable year from the sale or other disposition of (i) real property held for less than four years (other than foreclosure property and involuntary conversions), (ii) stock or securities held for less than one year, and (iii) property in a "prohibited transaction." The 30% test has been repealed effective for tax years beginning after December 31, 1997.

### Annual Distribution Requirements

In order to qualify as a REIT, EPR is required to make distributions (other than capital gain distributions) to its shareholders each year in an amount at least equal to (A) the sum of (i) 95% of EPR's REIT Taxable Income (computed without regard to the dividends paid deduction and the REIT's net capital gain), and (ii) 95% of the net income (after tax), if any, from foreclosure property, minus (B) the sum of certain items of non-cash income. Such distributions must be paid in the taxable year to which they relate, or in the following taxable year if declared before EPR timely files its tax return for that year and if paid on or before the first regular distribution payment after such declaration. To the extent EPR does not distribute all of its net capital gain or distributes at least 95%, but less than 100%, of its REIT Taxable Income, as adjusted, it will be subject to tax on the undistributed amount at regular capital gains or ordinary corporate tax rates, as the case may be. (However, a REIT can elect to "pass through" any of its taxes paid on its undistributed net capital gain to its shareholders on a pro rata basis.) Furthermore, if the REIT should fail to distribute during each calendar year at least the sum of (i) 85% of its ordinary income for that year, (ii) 95% of its net capital gain for that year, and (iii) any undistributed taxable income from prior periods, the REIT would be subject to a 4% excise tax on the excess of such required distribution over the amounts actually distributed. For these purposes, dividends declared to shareholders of record in October, November or December of one calendar year and paid by January 31st of the following calendar year are deemed paid as of December 31st of the initial calendar year.

EPR believes it has made and will make timely distributions sufficient to satisfy the annual distribution requirements. It is possible that in the future EPR may not have sufficient cash or other liquid assets to meet the 95% distribution requirement, due to timing differences between the actual receipt of income and actual payment of expenses on the one hand, and the inclusion of such income and deduction of such expenses in computing EPR's REIT Taxable Income on the other hand. Further, it is possible that, from time to time, EPR may be allocated a share of net capital gain attributable to any of depreciated property that exceeds its allocable share of cash attributable to that sale. To avoid any problem with the 95% distribution requirement, EPR will closely monitor the

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relationship between its REIT Taxable Income and cash flow and, if necessary, will borrow funds in order to satisfy the distribution requirement. See "Risk Factors."

If EPR fails to meet the 95% distribution requirement as a result of an adjustment to its tax return by the IRS, we may retroactively cure the failure by paying a "deficiency dividend" (plus applicable penalties and interest) within a specified period.

### Failure to Qualify

If EPR fails to qualify for taxation as a REIT in any taxable year and the relief provisions do not apply, EPR will be subject to tax (including any applicable alternative minimum tax) on its taxable income at regular corporate rates. Distributions to shareholders in any year in which EPR fails to qualify will not be deductible by EPR, nor will they be required to be made. In such event, to the extent of EPR's current and accumulated earnings and profits, all distributions to shareholders will be taxable as ordinary income, and, subject to certain limitations in the Code, corporate shareholders may be eligible for the dividends-received deduction. Unless entitled to relief under specific statutory provisions, EPR will also be disqualified from taxation as a REIT for the four taxable years following the year during which qualification was lost. It is not possible to state whether EPR would be entitled to such statutory relief.

## TAXATION OF SHAREHOLDERS

### Taxation of Taxable Domestic Shareholders

As used herein, the term "U.S. Shareholder" means a holder of Shares who (for U.S. federal income tax purposes) (i) is a citizen or resident of the United States, (ii) is a corporation, partnership or other entity created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof (except, in the case of a partnership, the Treasury provides otherwise by regulations), (iii) is an estate the income of which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of its source, or (iv) is a trust whose administration is subject to the primary supervision of a United States court and which has one or more United States persons who have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, to the extent provided in regulations, certain trusts in existence on August 20, 1996, and treated as United States persons prior to that date that elect to continue to be treated as United States persons shall also be considered U.S. Shareholders.

As long as EPR qualifies as a REIT, distributions made out of its current or accumulated earnings and profits (and not designated as capital gain dividends) will constitute dividends taxable to its taxable U.S. Shareholders as ordinary income. Such distributions will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction otherwise available with respect to dividends received by U.S. Shareholders that are corporations. Distributions made by EPR that are properly designated as capital gain dividends will be taxable to U.S. Shareholders as gains (to the extent they do not exceed EPR's actual net capital gain for the taxable year) from the sale or disposition of a capital asset. Depending on the period of time EPR held the assets which produced the gains, and on certain designations, if any, which may be made by EPR, such gains may be taxable to noncorporate U.S. Shareholders at a 20% or 25% rate. U.S. Shareholders that are corporations may, however, be required to treat up to 20% of certain capital gain dividends as ordinary income. To the extent EPR makes distributions (not designated as capital gain dividends) in excess of its current and accumulated earnings and profits, such distributions will be treated

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first as a tax-free return of capital to each U.S. Shareholder, reducing the adjusted basis which such U.S. Shareholder has in his Shares for tax purposes by the amount of such distribution (but not below zero), with distributions in excess of a U.S. Shareholder's adjusted basis in his Shares taxable as capital gain, provided the Shares have been held as a capital asset (which, with respect to a non-corporate U.S. Shareholder, will be taxable as long-term capital gain if the Shares have been held for more than eighteen months, mid-term capital gain if the Shares have been held for more than one year but not more than eighteen months, or short-term capital gain if the Shares have been held for one year or less). Dividends declared by EPR in October, November or December of any year and payable to a shareholder of record

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on a specified date in any such month shall be treated as both paid by EPR and received by the shareholder on December 31st of that year; provided the dividend is actually paid by EPR on or before January 31st of the following calendar year. Shareholders may not include in their own income tax returns any net operating losses or capital losses of EPR.

Distributions made by EPR and gain arising from the sale or exchange by a U.S. Shareholder of Shares will not be treated as passive activity income, and, as a result, U.S. Shareholders generally will not be able to apply any "passive losses" against such income or gain. Distributions made by EPR (to the extent they do not constitute a return of capital) generally will be treated as investment income for purposes of computing the investment interest limitation. Gain arising from the sale or other disposition of Shares (or distributions treated as such), will not be treated as investment income under certain circumstances.

Upon any sale or other disposition of Shares, a U.S. Shareholder will recognize gain or loss for federal income tax purposes in an amount equal to the difference between (i) the amount of cash and the fair market value of any property received on such sale or other disposition, and (ii) the holder's adjusted basis in the Shares for tax purposes. Such gain or loss will be capital gain or loss if the Shares have been held by the U.S. Shareholder as a capital asset and, with respect to a non-corporate U.S. Shareholder, will be long-term gain or loss if the Shares have been held for more than one year at the time of disposition. In general, any loss recognized by a U.S. Shareholder upon the sale or other disposition of Shares that have been held for six months or less (after applying certain holding period rules) will be treated as a long-term capital loss, to the extent of capital gain dividends received by such U.S. Shareholder from EPR which were required to be treated as long-term capital gains.

### Backup Withholding

EPR will report to its domestic shareholders and to the IRS the amount of dividends paid during each calendar year, and the amount of tax withheld, if any from those dividends. Under the backup withholding rules, a shareholder may be subject to backup withholding at the rate of 31% with respect to dividends paid and redemption proceeds unless the shareholder (a) is a corporation or comes within certain other exempt categories and, when required, demonstrates this fact, or (b) provides a taxpayer identification number, certifies as to no loss of exemption from backup withholding, and otherwise complies with applicable requirements of the backup withholding rules. Notwithstanding the foregoing, EPR will institute backup withholding with respect to a shareholder when instructed to do so by the IRS. A shareholder that does not provide EPR with his correct taxpayer identification number may also be subject to penalties imposed by the IRS. Any amount paid as backup withholding will be creditable against the shareholder's federal income tax liability.

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### TAXATION OF TAX-EXEMPT SHAREHOLDERS

The IRS has issued a revenue ruling in which it held that amounts distributed by a REIT to a tax-exempt employees' pension trust do not constitute unrelated business taxable income ("UBTI"). Revenue rulings, however, are interpretive in nature and are subject to revocation or modification by the IRS. Based upon the ruling and the analysis therein, distributions by EPR to a shareholder that is a tax-exempt entity should not constitute UBTI, provided the tax exempt entity has not financed the acquisition of its Shares with "acquisition indebtedness" within the meaning of the Code, and that the Shares are not otherwise used in an unrelated trade or business of the tax-exempt entity. In addition, REITs generally treat the beneficiaries of qualified pension trusts as the beneficial owners of REIT shares owned by such pension trusts for purposes of determining if more than 50% of the REIT's shares are owned by five or fewer individuals. However, if a pension trust owns more than 10% of the REIT's shares, it can be subject to UBTI on all or a portion of REIT dividends made to it, if the REIT is treated as a "pension-held REIT." EPR does not expect to be treated as a "pension-held REIT." Consequently, a pension trust shareholder should not be subject to UBTI on dividends that it receives from EPR. However, because the Shares are publicly traded, no assurance can be given in this regard.

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### TAXATION OF FOREIGN SHAREHOLDERS

The rules governing U.S. federal income taxation of the ownership and disposition of Shares by persons who or are not U.S. Shareholders ("Non-U.S. Shareholders") are complex and no attempt is made in this Prospectus to provide more than a summary of these rules. Prospective Non-U.S. Shareholders should consult with their own tax advisors to determine the impact of federal, state, local and any foreign income tax laws with regard to an investment in EPR, including any reporting requirements.

Distributions that are not attributable to gain from sales or exchanges by EPR of "United States real property interests" ("USRPIs"), as defined in the Code, and not designated by EPR as capital gain dividends will be treated as dividends of ordinary income to the extent they are made out of current or accumulated earnings and profits of EPR. Unless such distributions are effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Shareholder's conduct of a U.S. trade or business (or, if an income tax treaty applies, are attributable to a U.S. permanent establishment of the Non-U.S. Shareholder), the gross amount of the distributions will ordinarily be subject to U.S. withholding tax at a 30% or lower treaty rate, if applicable. In general, Non-U.S. Shareholders will not be considered engaged in a U.S. trade or business (or, in the case of an income tax treaty, as having a U.S. permanent establishment) solely by reason of their ownership of Shares. If income on Shares is treated as effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Shareholder's conduct of a U.S. trade or business (or, if an income tax treaty applies, is attributable to a U.S. permanent establishment of the Non-U.S. Shareholder), the Non-U.S. Shareholder generally will be subject to a tax at graduated rates, in the same manner as U.S. shareholders are taxed with respect to such distributions (and may also be subject to the 30% branch profits tax in the case of a shareholder that is a foreign corporation). EPR expects to withhold U.S. income tax at the rate of 30% on the gross amount of any distributions of ordinary income made to a Non-U.S. Shareholder unless (i) a lower treaty rate applies and proper certification is provided, or (ii) the Non-U.S. Shareholder files an IRS Form 4224 with EPR claiming that the distribution is effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Shareholder's conduct of a U.S. trade or business (or, if an income tax treaty applies, is attributable to a U.S. permanent establishment of the Non-U.S. Shareholder).

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Pursuant to Treasury Regulations, dividends paid to an address in a country outside the United States are generally presumed to be paid to a resident of such country for purposes of ascertaining the withholding requirement discussed above and the applicability of a tax treaty rate. Under certain income tax treaties, lower withholding rates generally applicable to dividends do not apply to dividends from a REIT. Under recently promulgated Temporary Treasury Regulations, certain Non-U.S. Shareholders who seek to claim the benefit of an applicable treaty rate will be required to satisfy certain residency requirements. In addition, certain certification and disclosure requirements must be satisfied under the effectively connected income and permanent establishment exemptions discussed in the preceding paragraph.

Unless the Shares constitute a USRPI, distributions in excess of current and accumulated earnings and profits of EPR will not be taxable to a shareholder to the extent such distributions do not exceed the adjusted basis of the shareholder's Shares but rather will reduce the adjusted basis of the Shares. To the extent such distributions exceed the adjusted basis of a Non-U.S. Shareholder's Shares, such distributions will give rise to tax liability if the Non-U.S. Shareholder would otherwise be subject to tax on any gain from the sale or disposition of his Shares, as described below. If it cannot be determined at the time a distribution is made whether or not the distribution will be in excess of current and accumulated earnings and profits, the distributions will be subject to withholding at the same rate as dividends. If, however, Shares are treated as a USRPI, then unless otherwise treated as a dividend for withholding tax purposes as described below, any distributions in excess of current or accumulated earnings and profits will generally be subject to 10% withholding and, to the extent such distributions also exceed the adjusted basis of a Non-U.S. Shareholder's Shares, they will also give rise to gain from the sale or exchange of the Shares, the tax treatment of which is described below.

Distributions that are designated by EPR at the time of distribution as capital gain dividends (other than those arising from the disposition of a USRPI) generally will not be subject to taxation, unless (i) investment in the Shares is effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Shareholder's United States trade

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or business (or, if an income tax treaty applies, it is attributable to a United States permanent establishment of the Non-U.S. Shareholder), in which case the Non-U.S. Shareholder will be subject to the same treatment as U.S. shareholders with respect to such gain (except that a shareholder that is a foreign corporation may also be subject to the 30% branch profits tax), or (ii) the Non-U.S. Shareholder is a non-resident alien individual who is present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year and either has a "tax home" in the United States or sold his or her Shares under circumstances in which the sale was attributable to a U.S. office, in which case the non-resident alien individual will be subject to a 30% tax on the individual's capital gains.

For each year in which EPR qualifies as a REIT, distributions that are attributable to gain from sales or exchanges by EPR of USRPIs ("USRPI Capital Gains"), such as properties beneficially owned by EPR, will be taxed to a Non-U.S. Shareholder under the provisions of the Foreign Investment in Real Property Tax Act of 1980 ("FIRPTA"). Under FIRPTA, such distributions are taxed to a Non-U.S. Shareholder as gain effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business regardless of whether such dividends are designated as capital gain dividends. Non-U.S. Shareholders would thus be taxed at the normal capital gain rates applicable to U.S. shareholders (subject to applicable alternative minimum tax and a special alternative minimum tax in the case of nonresident alien individuals) on such distributions. Also, distributions of USRPI Capital Gains may be subject to a 30% branch profits tax in the hands of a foreign corporate

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shareholder not entitled to treaty exemption or rate reduction. EPR is required by applicable Treasury Regulations to withhold a portion of any distribution consisting of USRPI Capital Gains. This amount may be creditable against the Non-U.S. Shareholder's FIRPTA tax liability.

Gain recognized by a Non-U.S. shareholder upon a sale of Shares will generally not be taxed under FIRPTA if the Shares do not constitute a USRPI. Shares will not be considered a USRPI if the Company is a "domestically controlled REIT," or if the Shares are part of a class that is regularly traded on an established securities market and the holder owned less 5% of the class sold during a specified testing period. A "domestically controlled REIT" is defined generally as a real estate investment trust in which at all times during a specified testing period less than 50% in value of the shares was held directly or indirectly by foreign persons. EPR believes that it is a "domestically controlled REIT," and therefore the sale of Shares will not be subject to taxation under FIRPTA. If the gain on the sale of Shares were to be subject to taxation under FIRPTA, the Non-U.S. Shareholder would be subject to the same treatment as U.S. Shareholders with respect to such gain (subject to applicable alternative minimum tax and a special alternative minimum tax in the case of nonresident alien individuals), and the purchaser of the Shares may be required to withhold 10% of the purchase price and remit such amount to the IRS. However, since Shares are publicly traded, no assurance can be given in this regard.

Gain not subject to FIRPTA will be taxable to a Non-U.S. shareholder if (i) investment in the Shares is effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of the Non-U.S. Shareholder (or, if an income tax treaty applies, is attributable to a U.S. permanent establishment of the Non-U.S. Shareholder), in which case the Non-U.S. Shareholder will be subject to the same treatment as U.S. shareholders with respect to such gain, or (ii) the Non-U.S. Shareholder is a nonresident alien individual who was present in the U.S. for 183 days or more during the taxable year and has a "tax home" in the U.S., in which case the nonresident alien individual will be subject to a 30% tax on the individual's capital gains. If the gain on the sale of Shares were to be subject to taxation under FIRPTA, the Non-U.S. Shareholder would be subject to the same treatment as U.S. Shareholders with respect to such gain (subject to applicable alternative minimum tax and a special alternative minimum tax in the case of nonresident alien individuals).

If the proceeds of a disposition of Shares are paid by or through a U.S. office of a broker, the payment is subject to information reporting and backup withholding unless the disposing Non-U.S. Shareholder certifies as to his name, address and non-U.S. status or otherwise establishes an exemption. Generally, U.S. information reporting and backup withholding will not apply to a payment of disposition proceeds if the payment is made outside the U.S. through a non-U.S. office of a non-U.S. broker. U.S. information reporting requirements (but not backup withholding) will apply, however, to a payment of disposition proceeds outside the U.S. if (i) the payment is made through an office outside the U.S. of a broker that is either (a) a U.S. person, (b) a foreign person that derives 50% or more of its gross income for certain

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periods from the conduct of a trade or business in the U.S. or (c) a "controlled foreign corporation" for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and (ii) the broker fails to obtain documentary evidence that the shareholder is a Non-U.S. Shareholder and that certain conditions are met or that the Non-U.S. Shareholder otherwise is entitled to an exemption.

Final regulations dealing with withholding tax on income paid to foreign persons and related matters (the "New Withholding Regulations") were recently promulgated. In general, the New Withholding Regulations do not significantly



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alter the substantive withholding and information reporting requirements described above, but unify current certification procedures and forms and clarify reliance standards. For example, the New Withholding Regulations adopt a certification rule under which a Non-U.S. Shareholder who wishes to claim the benefit of an applicable treaty rate with respect to dividends received from a U.S. corporation will be required to satisfy certain certification and other requirements. In addition, the New Withholding Regulations require a corporation that is a REIT to treat as a dividend the portion of a distribution that is not designated as a capital gain dividend or return of basis and apply the 30% withholding tax (subject to any applicable deduction or exemption) to such portion, and to apply the FIRPTA withholding rules (discussed above) with respect to the portion of the distribution designated by the REIT as capital gain dividend. The New Withholding Regulations will generally be effective for payments made after December 31, 1999, subject to certain transition rules.

EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS PARAGRAPH, THE DISCUSSION SET FORTH ABOVE IN "TAXATION OF FOREIGN SHAREHOLDERS" DOES NOT TAKE THE NEW WITHHOLDING REGULATIONS INTO ACCOUNT. PROSPECTIVE NON-U.S. SHAREHOLDERS ARE STRONGLY URGED TO CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS WITH RESPECT TO THE NEW WITHHOLDING REGULATIONS.

### POSSIBLE LEGISLATIVE OR OTHER ACTIONS AFFECTING TAX CONSEQUENCES

Prospective investors should recognize that the present federal income tax treatment of an investment in EPR may be modified by legislative, judicial or administrative action at any time, and that any such action may affect investments and commitments previously made. The rules dealing with federal income taxation are constantly under review by persons involved in the legislative process and by the IRS and the U.S. Treasury Department, resulting in revisions or regulations and revised interpretations of established concepts as well as statutory changes. Revisions in federal tax laws and interpretations thereof could adversely affect the tax consequences of an investment in EPR.

### STATE TAX CONSEQUENCES AND WITHHOLDING

EPR and its shareholders may be subject to state or local taxation in various state or local jurisdictions, including those in which it or they transact business or reside. The state and local tax treatment of EPR and its shareholders may not conform to the federal income tax consequences discussed above. Several states in which EPR may own properties treat REITs as ordinary corporations. EPR does not believe, however, that shareholders will be required to file state tax returns, other than in their respective states of residence, as a result of the ownership of Shares. However, prospective shareholders should consult their own tax advisors regarding the effect of state and local tax laws on an investment in EPR.

EACH INVESTOR IS ADVISED TO CONSULT WITH HIS OWN TAX ADVISOR REGARDING THE SPECIFIC TAX CONSEQUENCES TO HIM OF THE OWNERSHIP AND SALE OF SHARES IN AN ENTITY ELECTING TO BE TAXED AS A REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST, INCLUDING THE FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL, FOREIGN, AND OTHER TAX CONSEQUENCES OF SUCH PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP, SALE, AND ELECTION AND OF POTENTIAL CHANGES IN APPLICABLE TAX LAWS.

### DESCRIPTION OF COMMON SHARES

This summary of our Shares is not meant to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to our Declaration of Trust and Bylaws, copies of which have been filed as Exhibits to a Current Report on Form 8-K that was filed with the SEC on June 7, 1999.

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Our Declaration of Trust authorizes us to issue up to 50,000,000 common shares and up to 5,000,000 preferred shares. As permitted by Maryland law, our Declaration of Trust permits the Board of Trustees, without shareholder approval, to amend the Declaration of Trust from time to time to increase or decrease the aggregate number of shares or the number of shares of any class that we have authority to issue. Under Maryland law, a shareholder is not personally liable for the obligations of a REIT solely as a result of his or her status as a shareholder.

The transfer agent and registrar for our Shares is UMB Bank, n.a.

### COMMON SHARES

Holders of our common Shares have the following rights:

- Dividends -- Common shareholders have the right to receive dividends when and as declared by the Board of Trustees
- Voting Rights -- Common shareholders have the right to vote their Shares. Each Share has one vote on all matters submitted for shareholder approval, including the election of trustees. We do not have cumulative voting in the election of trustees, which means that the holders of a majority of the outstanding Shares can elect all of the trustees nominated for election and the holders of the remaining Shares will not be able to elect any trustees.

Liquidation Rights -- If we liquidate, holders of common Shares are entitled to receive all remaining assets available for distribution to shareholders after satisfaction of our liabilities and the preferential rights of any preferred shares that may be issued in the future.

Other Features -- Our outstanding common Shares are fully paid and nonassessable. Common shareholders do not have any preemptive, conversion or redemption rights.

### OWNERSHIP LIMIT

Our Declaration of Trust restricts the number of Shares that may be owned by individual shareholders. Generally, for EPR to qualify as a REIT under the Code, not more than 50% in value of its outstanding Shares may be owned, directly or indirectly, by five or fewer individuals (defined in the Code to include certain entities and constructive ownership among specified family members) at any time during the last half of a taxable year. The Shares must also be beneficially owned by 100 or more persons during at least 335 days of a taxable year. In order to maintain EPR's qualification as a REIT, the Declaration of Trust contains restrictions on the acquisition of Shares intended to ensure compliance with these requirements.

Our Declaration of Trust generally provides that any person holding more than 9.8% of our outstanding Shares (the "Ownership Limit") may be subject to forfeiture of the Shares owned in excess of the Ownership Limit ("Excess Shares"). The Excess Shares may be transferred to a trust for the benefit of one or more charitable beneficiaries. The trustee of that trust would have the right to vote the Excess Shares, and dividends on the Excess Shares would be payable to the trustee for the benefit of the charitable beneficiaries. Holders of Excess Shares would be entitled to compensation for their Excess Shares, but that compensation may be less than the price they paid for the Excess Shares. Persons who hold Excess Shares or who intend to acquire Excess Shares must provide written notice to EPR.

All persons who own more than 5% of the number or value of our outstanding

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Shares must provide written notice to EPR containing certain information by January 31st of each year.

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### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We may sell Shares:

- through underwriters or dealers;
- through agents;
- directly to one or more purchasers; or
- directly to shareholders.

We may effect the distribution of Shares from time to time in one or more transactions either:

- at a fixed price or prices which may be changed;
- at market prices prevailing at the time of sale;
- at prices relating to those market prices; or
- at negotiated prices.

For each offering of Shares, the Prospectus Supplement will describe the plan of distribution.

If we use underwriters in the sale, they will buy the Shares for their own account. The underwriters may then resell the Shares in one or more transactions at a fixed public offering price, at the market price in effect at the time of sale or at a discount from the market price. The obligations of the underwriters to purchase the Shares will be subject to certain conditions. The underwriters will be obligated to purchase all the Shares offered if they purchase any Shares. Any public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or re-allowed or paid to dealers may be changed from time to time.

If we use dealers in the sale, we will sell Shares to those dealers as principals. The dealers may then resell the Shares to the public at the market price or other prices to be determined by the dealers at the time of resale. If we use agents in the sale, they will use their reasonable best efforts to solicit purchasers for the period of their appointment. If we sell directly, no underwriters or agents would be involved. We are not making an offer of Shares in any state that does not permit such an offer.

Underwriters, dealers and agents that participate in the distribution of Shares may be deemed to be underwriters as defined in the Securities Act. Any discounts, commissions or profit they receive when they resell the Shares may be treated as underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act. We may have agreements with underwriters, dealers and agents to indemnify them against certain civil liabilities, including certain liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments that they may be required to make.

We may authorize underwriters, dealers or agents to solicit offers from institutions in which the institution contractually agrees to purchase the Shares from us on a future date at a specified price. This type of agreement may be made only with institutions that we specifically approve. These institutions could include banks, insurance companies, pension funds, investment companies

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and educational and charitable institutions. The underwriters, dealers or agents will not be responsible for the validity or performance of these agreements.

To facilitate an offering of the Shares, certain persons participating in the offering may engage in transactions that stabilize or maintain the price of the Shares. This may include over-allotments or short sales of the Shares, which involve the sale by persons participating in the offering of more Shares than EPR has sold to them. In those circumstances, these persons would cover the over-allotments or short positions by purchasing Shares in the open market or by exercising an over-allotment option which may be granted to them by EPR. In addition, these persons may stabilize or maintain the price of the Shares by bidding for or purchasing Shares in the open market or by imposing penalty bids, under which selling concessions allowed to dealers participating in the offering may be reclaimed if the Shares they sell are repurchased in stabilization transactions. The effect of these transactions may be to stabilize or maintain the market price of the Shares at

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a level above that which might otherwise prevail in the open market. These transactions, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

Underwriters, dealers or agents may engage in transactions with us and may perform services for us in the ordinary course of business.

### LEGAL MATTERS

Armstrong Teasdale LLP, Kansas City, Missouri, will issue an opinion about the legality of the Shares and EPR's qualification and taxation as a REIT under the Code. In addition, the description of EPR's taxation and qualification as a REIT under the caption "Federal Income Tax Consequences" will be based upon the opinion of Armstrong Teasdale LLP. Underwriters, dealers or agents who we identify in a Prospectus Supplement may have their counsel give an opinion on certain legal matters relating to the Shares or the offering.

### EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements and schedule of EPR appearing in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1998, have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent auditors, as stated in their report thereon included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K and incorporated in this Prospectus by reference. Such consolidated financial statements and schedule are incorporated by reference in reliance on the report given upon the authority of that firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

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