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THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
 2003 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

I (whether one or more of us) appoint Steve Sanghi and Gordon W. Parnell, and each of them, each with full power of substitution, to be my Proxies. The Proxies may vote on my behalf, in accordance with my instructions, all of my shares entitled to vote at the 2003 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Microchip Technology Incorporated. The meeting is scheduled for August 15, 2003, at 9:00 a.m., local time, at the company's facilities at 2355 West Chandler Boulevard, Chandler, Arizona, but this Proxy includes any adjournment(s) of that meeting. The Proxies may vote on my behalf as if I were personally present at the meeting.

THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED AS DIRECTED OR, IF NO CONTRARY DIRECTION IS INDICATED, WILL BE VOTED FOR THE ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; FOR THE AMENDMENT OF OUR 2001 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN TO ADD 975,000 ADDITIONAL SHARES FOR ISSUANCE UNDER SUCH PLAN; FOR THE AMENDMENT OF OUR 2001 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN TO ADD, COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2005, AN ANNUAL AUTOMATIC INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF SHARES OF COMMON STOCK RESERVED FOR ISSUANCE UNDER SUCH PLAN; AND AS MY PROXIES DEEM ADVISABLE ON SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE MEETING OR ANY ADJOURNMENT THEREOF. ALL PROPOSALS DESCRIBED IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROXY STATEMENT HAVE BEEN PROPOSED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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Dear Stockholder,

Microchip offers our stockholders the opportunity to access future proxy statements, annual reports and other stockholder communications electronically through the Internet instead of receiving paper copies in the mail. This reduces our costs as we can reduce the number of such materials we must print and mail. PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE MAY BE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH ELECTRONIC ACCESS, SUCH AS USAGE CHARGES FROM INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS AND TELEPHONE COMPANIES, THAT MUST BE BORNE BY THE STOCKHOLDER. To choose this option, please check the box under the signature block of the proxy card and mail in your proxy card.

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YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT!

Thank you in advance for participating in our 2003 annual meeting.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR ITEMS 1, 2, 3 AND 4

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| 1. | Election of directors: | 01 Steve Sanghi | 04 Matthew W. Chapman | [] | Vote FO |
| | | 02 Albert J. Hugo-Martinez | 05 Wade F. Meyercord | | all nom |
| | | 03 L. B. Day | | | |

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| 2. | Proposal to amend our 2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan to increase the number of shares reserved for issuance under such plan by 975,000 shares. | [] | For |
| 3. | Proposal to amend our 2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan to add, commencing January 1, 2005, an annual automatic increase in the number of shares reserved for issuance under such plan. | [] | For |

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