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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

AND

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO REGISTRATION STATEMENT NO. 333-68462 UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

VORNADO REALTY TRUST

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

MARYLAND

22-1657560 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

Proposed

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

888 SEVENTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10019 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

VORNADO REALTY TRUST 2002 OMNIBUS SHARE PLAN (Full Title of the Plan)

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# CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title Of Securities	Number Of Shares	Maximum Offering	Maximum Aggregate	Amount Of
To Be	То Ве	Price Per	Offering	Registration
Registered	Registered(1)	Share(2)	Price(2)	Fee(2)(4)
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest (Par Value \$.04				
Per Share)	7,500,000(3)	\$ 37.6646	\$282,484,399.5	\$39,242.87

Proposed

- (1) This registration statement is both a new registration statement and Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the registrant's registration statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-68462), as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 27, 2001 (the "2001 Registration Statement"). The offer and sale of 2,073,870 shares registered hereby were previously registered for sale under the registrant's 1993 Omnibus Share Plan pursuant to the 2001 Registration Statement. In addition, the offer and sale of 5,426,130 shares registered hereby are being registered for the first time. The shares described above that have been previously registered and the registration fees for those shares paid as part of the registration fees paid with respect to the 2001 Registration Statement are carried over to this registration statement in accordance with the principles set forth in Instruction E to Form S-8 and Interpretation 89 under Section G, "Securities Act Forms" of the Manual of Publicly Available Telephone Interpretations of the Division of Corporation Finance of the Securities and Exchange Commission (as supplemented through May 2001) (the "Instruction and Interpretation").
- (2) The proposed maximum offering price per share, proposed maximum aggregate offering price and amount of registration fee shown are a combination of the respective amounts used in calculating the registration fees carried over from the 2001 Registration Statement and the amounts used to calculate the portion of the registration fees on the newly registered shares as follows:

Registration Statement	Total Shares Originally Registered	Number of Shares Carried Over and Newly Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share(A)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Amount of Registration Fee
No. 333-68462	3,500,000	2,073,870	\$40.45	\$ 83,888,041.50	\$ 20,972.01
This S-8		5,426,130	36.60	198,596,358	18,270.86
Total		7,500,000	37.6646(B)	282,484,399.5	39,242.87

- (A) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee. Such estimate has been computed in accordance with Rule 457(c) and the third sentence of Rule 457(h)(1) based upon the average of the high and low price of the common shares of beneficial interest of Vornado Realty Trust as reported on the New York Stock Exchange (i) with respect to the shares carried over from the 2001 Registration Statement on August 20, 2001, and (ii) with respect to the shares newly registered hereunder, on December 19, 2002.
- (B) Weighted average offering price per share based on the number of shares carried over and the number of shares registered for the first time hereunder.
- (3) This registration statement shall also cover any of the registrant's common shares which become issuable under the registrant's 2002 Omnibus Share Plan by reason of any share dividend, share split, recapitalization or other similar transaction effected without the receipt of consideration which results in an increase in the number of the registrant's outstanding common shares.
- (4) As described in notes 1 and 2 above, \$20,972.01 of the registration fee was previously paid with the 2001 Registration Statement. The balance of the registration fee of \$18,270.86 has been deposited by the registrant to the SEC's lock-box account in connection with this registration statement.

## STATEMENT PURSUANT TO GENERAL INSTRUCTION E TO FORM S-8

Vornado Realty Trust ("Vornado") has filed this registration statement to register under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") the offer and sale of 7,500,000 common shares, par value \$0.04 per share, of beneficial interest in Vornado pursuant to its 2002 Omnibus Share Plan. This registration statement is both a new registration statement and Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the registrant's registration statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-68462), as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 27, 2001 (the "2001 Registration Statement"). The offer and sale of 2,073,870 shares registered hereby were previously registered pursuant to the 2001 Registration Statement for offer and sale pursuant to Vornado's 1993 Omnibus Share Plan. In addition, the offer and sale of 5,426,130 shares registered hereby are being registered for the first time. The 1993 Omnibus Share Plan is a predecessor to the 2002 Omnibus Share Plan.

The 2002 Omnibus Share Plan was approved and adopted at Vornado's 2002 annual meeting of shareholders on May 29, 2002 to supersede and replace the 1993 Omnibus Share Plan. Vornado desires to have the common shares registered hereunder and issuable pursuant to the 2002 Omnibus Share Plan to include those common shares described above whose offer and sale were registered under the 2001 Registration Statement and are carried over to this registration statement. Following the filing of this registration statement, the shares carried over from the 2001 Registration Statement are no longer available for new awards under the 1993 Omnibus Share Plan.

Consequently, in accordance with the Instruction and Interpretation: (1) Vornado is carrying over from the 2001 Registration Statement and registering the offer and sale of 2,073,870 common shares under the 2002 Omnibus Share Plan pursuant to this registration statement; (2) \$20,972.01 of the registration fee allocable to the shares carried over from the 2001 Registration Statement and paid in connection with the 2001 Registration Statement is carried over in this registration statement; (3) the 2001 Registration Statement is being amended on a post-effective basis to discuss the replacement of the 1993 Omnibus Share Plan by the 2002 Omnibus Share Plan; (4) in addition to the shares being carried over pursuant to (1) above, Vornado is registering for the first time the offer and sale of 5,426,130 common shares under the 2002 Omnibus Share Plan pursuant to this registration statement; and (5) in addition to the registration fees being carried over pursuant to (2) above, \$18,270.86 of the registration fee allocable to the newly registered shares has been deposited by Vornado to the SEC's lock-box account in connection with this registration statement.

## PART I

# INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(A) PROSPECTUS

ITEM 1. PLAN INFORMATION.

Omitted pursuant to the instructions and provisions of Form S-8.

ITEM 2. REGISTRANT INFORMATION AND EMPLOYEE PLAN ANNUAL INFORMATION.

Omitted pursuant to the instructions and provisions of Form S-8.

## INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

## ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE.

The following documents filed by Vornado with the SEC are incorporated herein by reference:

- (a) Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001 (File No. 001-11954);
- (b) Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 1, 2002 and filed on January 16, 2002 (File No. 001-11954);
- (c) Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 28, 2002 and filed on March 1, 2002 (File No. 001-11954);
- (d) Current Report on Form 8-K/A dated January 1, 2002 and filed on March 18, 2002 (File No. 001-11954);
- (e) Current Report on Form 8-K dated August 20, 2002 and filed on August 22, 2002 (File No. 001-11954);
- (f) Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2002 (File No. 001-11954);
- (g) Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2002 (File No. 001-11954);
- (h) Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2002 (File No. 001-11954), as amended by Form 10-Q/A filed with the SEC on December 24, 2002; and
- (i) The description of Vornado's common shares contained in Vornado's registration statement on Form 8-B (File No. 001-11954), filed on May 10, 1993.

All documents filed by Vornado pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated herein by reference and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein, or in any subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein, modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

ITEM 4. DESCRIPTION OF COMMON SHARES.

Not applicable.

ITEM 5. INTERESTS OF NAMED EXPERTS AND COUNSEL.

None

ITEM 6. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

Under Maryland law, a real estate investment trust formed in Maryland is permitted to limit, by provision in its declaration of trust, the liability of its trustees and officers to the trust and its shareholders for money damages except for liability resulting from (i) actual receipt of an improper benefit or profit in money, property or services or (ii) active and deliberate dishonesty established by a final judgment as being material to the cause of action. Vornado's Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust, as amended, includes such a provision eliminating such liability to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law.

Vornado's Amended and Restated Bylaws (the "Bylaws") require it to indemnify (a) any present or former trustee or officer who has been successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of a proceeding to which he was made a

party by reason of such status, against reasonable expenses incurred by him in connection with the proceeding, (b) any trustee or officer who, at the request of Vornado, serves or has served another trust, corporation or other entity as a director, officer, partner, or trustee and (c) any present or former trustee or officer against any claim or liability to which he may become subject by reason of such status unless it is established that (i) his act or omission was material to the matter giving rise to the proceeding and was committed in bad  $\,$ faith or was the result of active and deliberate dishonesty, (ii) he actually received an improper personal benefit in money, property or services or (iii) in the case of a criminal proceeding, he had reasonable cause to believe that his act or omission was unlawful. However, Maryland law prohibits Vornado from indemnifying a trustee or officer for an adverse judgment in a suit by or in the right of Vornado or for a judgment of liability on the basis that personal benefit was improperly received, unless in either case a court orders indemnification and then only for expenses. In addition, Vornado's Bylaws permit it to pay or reimburse, in advance of final disposition of a proceeding, reasonable expenses incurred by a present or former trustee or officer made a party to a proceeding by reason of such status upon Vornado's receipt of (i) a written affirmation by the trustee or officer of his good faith belief that he has met the applicable standard of conduct necessary for indemnification by Vornado and (ii) a written undertaking by or on his behalf to repay the amount paid or reimbursed by Vornado if it shall ultimately be determined that the applicable standard of conduct was not met. Vornado's Bylaws also (i) permit Vornado to provide indemnification and payment or reimbursement of expenses to a present or former trustee or officer who served a predecessor of Vornado in such capacity and to any employee or agent of Vornado or a predecessor of Vornado, (ii) provide that any indemnification or payment or reimbursement of the expenses permitted by the Bylaws shall be furnished in accordance with the procedures provided for indemnification or payment or reimbursement of expenses, as the case may be, under Section 2-418 of the Maryland General Corporation Law (the "MGCL") for directors of Maryland corporations and (iii) permit Vornado to provide such other and further indemnification or payment or reimbursement of expenses as may be permitted by the MGCL, as in effect from time to time, for directors of Maryland corporations.

The Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership, dated as of October 20, 1997, as amended (the "Partnership Agreement"), of Vornado Realty L.P. provides, generally, for the indemnification of an "indemnitee" against losses, claims, damages, liabilities, expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees and other legal fees and expenses), judgments, fines, settlements and other amounts that relate to the operations of Vornado Realty L.P. unless it is established that (i) the act or omission of the Indemnitee was material and either was committed in bad faith or pursuant to active and deliberate dishonesty, (ii) the Indemnitee actually received an improper personal benefit in money, property or services or (iii) in the case of any criminal proceeding, the Indemnitee had reasonable cause to believe that the act or omission was unlawful. For this purpose, the term "Indemnitee" includes (i) any person made a party to a proceeding by reason of its status as (A) the general partner of Vornado Realty L.P., (B) a limited partner of Vornado Realty L.P. or (C) an officer of Vornado Realty L.P. or a trustee, officer or shareholder of Vornado and (ii) such other persons (including affiliates of Vornado or Vornado Realty L.P.) as Vornado may designate from time to time in its discretion. Any such indemnification will be made only out of assets of Vornado Realty L.P., and in no event may an Indemnitee subject the limited partners of Vornado Realty L.P. to personal liability by reason of the indemnification provisions in the Partnership Agreement.

# ITEM 7. EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION CLAIMED.

Not applicable.

## ITEM 8. EXHIBITS.

The exhibits listed in the exhibit index beginning on page 9 are filed herewith or incorporated herein by reference.

## ITEM 9. UNDERTAKINGS.

- (a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:
  - (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
    - (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;

- (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent posteffective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement;
- (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities (c) Act of 1933 may be permitted to trustees, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a trustee, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such trustee, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, Vornado Realty Trust certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of New York and State of New York, on December 26, 2002.

VORNADO REALTY TRUST, a Maryland real estate investment trust

By: /s/ Joseph Macnow

Joseph Macnow

Executive Vice President - Finance and Administration, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Steven Roth, Michael D. Fascitelli and Joseph Macnow, and each of them, his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) and supplements to this registration statement and any and all registration statements necessary to register additional securities, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other regulatory authority, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or his substitute, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities and on the date indicated.

Signature	Title	Date		
/s/ Steven Roth Steven Roth	Chairman of the Board of Trustees (Principal Executive Officer)	December 26, 2002		
/s/ Michael D. Fascitelli	President and Trustee	December 26, 2002		
Michael D. Fascitelli				
/s/ Joseph Macnow  Joseph Macnow	Executive Vice President - Finance and Administration, Chief Financial Officer	December 26, 2002		
	(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)			
/s/ Robert P. Kogod	Trustee	December 26, 2002		
Robert P. Kogod				
/s/ David Mandelbaum	Trustee	December 26, 2002		
David Mandelbaum				
/s/ Stanley Simon	Trustee	December 26, 2002		
Stanley Simon				
/s/ Robert H. Smith	Trustee	December 26, 2002		
Robert H. Smith				
/s/ Ronald G. Targan	Trustee	December 26, 2002		
Ronald G. Targan				
/s/ Richard R. West	Trustee	December 26, 2002		
Richard R. West				
/s/ Russell B. Wight, Jr.	Trustee	December 26, 2002		
Russell B. Wight, Jr.				

## EXHIBIT INDEX

# Exhibit

## Number Description

- 3.1 Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust of Vornado Realty Trust, as filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland on April 16, 1993 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3(a) of Vornado Realty Trust's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-60286), filed on April 15, 1993)
- 3.2 Articles of Amendment of Declaration of Trust of Vornado Realty Trust, as filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland on May 23, 1996 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 of Vornado Realty Trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001 (File No. 001-11954), filed on March 11, 2002)
- 3.3 Articles of Amendment of Declaration of Trust of Vornado Realty Trust, as filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland on April 3, 1997 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 of Vornado Realty Trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001 (File No. 001-11954), filed on March 11, 2002)
- 3.4 Articles of Amendment of Declaration of Trust of Vornado Realty Trust, as filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland on October 14, 1997 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 of Vornado Realty Trust's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-36080), filed on May 2, 2000)
- 3.5 Articles of Amendment of Declaration of Trust of Vornado Realty Trust, as filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland on April 22, 1998 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Vornado Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K dated April 22, 1998 (File No. 001-11954), filed on April 28, 1998)
- 3.6 Articles of Amendment of Declaration of Trust of Vornado Realty Trust, as filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland on November 24, 1999 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.4 of Vornado Realty Trust's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-36080), filed on May 2, 2000)
- 3.7 Articles of Amendment of Declaration of Trust of Vornado Realty Trust, as filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland on April 20, 2000 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.5 of Vornado Realty Trust's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-36080), filed on May 2, 2000)
- 3.8 Articles of Amendment of Declaration of Trust of Vornado Realty Trust, as filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland on September 14, 2000 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.6 of Vornado Realty Trust's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-68462), filed on August 27, 2001)
- 3.9 Articles of Amendment of Declaration of Trust of Vornado Realty Trust dated May 31, 2002, as filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland on June 13, 2002 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.9 to Vornado Realty Trust's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2002 (File No. 001-11954), filed on August 7, 2002)
- 3.10 Articles of Amendment of Declaration of Trust of Vornado Realty Trust dated June 6, 2002, as filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland on June 13, 2002 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.10 to Vornado Realty Trust's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2002 (File No. 001-11954), filed on August 7, 2002)

- 3.11 Articles Supplementary classifying Vornado Realty Trust's \$3.25 Series A Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, liquidation preference \$50.00 per share (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of Vornado Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated April 3, 1997 (File No. 001-11954), filed on April 8, 1997)
- 3.12 Articles Supplementary classifying Vornado Realty Trust's \$3.25 Series A Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, liquidation preference \$50.00 per share (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.10 of Vornado Realty Trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001 (File No. 001-11954), filed on March 11, 2002)
- 3.13 Articles Supplementary classifying Vornado Realty Trust's Series D-1 8.5% Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, no par value (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Vornado Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 12, 1998 (File No. 001-11954), filed on November 30, 1998)
- 3.14 Articles Supplementary classifying additional Series D-1 8.5% Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, no par value (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 of Vornado Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K/A, dated November 12, 1998 (File No. 001-11954), filed on February 9, 1999)
- 3.15 Articles Supplementary classifying Vornado Realty Trust's 8.5% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, no par value (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 of Vornado Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated March 3, 1999 (File No. 001-11954), filed on March 17, 1999)
- 3.16 Articles Supplementary classifying Vornado Realty Trust's 8.5% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, no par value (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.7 of Vornado Realty Trust's Registration Statement on Form 8-A (File No. 001-11954), filed on May 19, 1999)
- 3.17 Articles Supplementary classifying Vornado Realty Trust's Series D-2 Preferred Shares (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Vornado Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated May 27, 1999 (File No. 001-11954), filed on July 7, 1999)
- 3.18 Articles Supplementary classifying Vornado Realty Trust's Series D-3
  Preferred Shares (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Vornado
  Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated September 3, 1999
  (File No. 001-11954), filed on October 25, 1999)
- 3.19 Articles Supplementary classifying Vornado Realty Trust's Series D-4 Preferred Shares (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 of Vornado Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated September 3, 1999 (File No. 001-11954), filed on October 25, 1999)
- 3.20 Articles Supplementary classifying Vornado Realty Trust's Series D-5 Preferred Shares (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Vornado Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated November 24, 1999 (File No. 001-11954), filed on December 23, 1999)
- 3.21 Articles Supplementary classifying Vornado Realty Trust's Series D-6 Preferred Shares (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Vornado Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated May 1, 2000 (File No. 001-11954), filed on May 19, 2000)
- 3.22 Articles Supplementary classifying Vornado Realty Trust's Series D-7 Preferred Shares (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Vornado Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated May 25, 2000 (File No. 001-11954), filed on June 16, 2000)
- 3.23 Articles Supplementary classifying Vornado Realty Trust's Series D-8 Preferred Shares (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Vornado Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated December 8, 2000 (File No. 1-11954), filed on December 28, 2000)

- 3.24 Articles Supplementary classifying Vornado Realty Trust's Series D-9
  Preferred Shares (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Vornado
  Realty Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K dated September 21, 2001
  (File No. 001-111954), filed on October 12, 2001)
- 3.25 Amended and Restated Bylaws of Vornado Realty Trust, as amended on March 2, 2000 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.12 of Vornado Realty Trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1999 (File No. 001-11954), filed on March 9, 2000)
- 4.1 Instruments defining the rights of security holders (see Exhibits 3.1 through 3.25 of this registration statement)
- 4.2 Vornado Realty Trust's 2002 Omnibus Share Plan
- 4.3 Specimen certificate representing Vornado Realty Trust's Common Shares of Beneficial Interest (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Amendment No. 1 to Vornado Realty Trust's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 033-62395), filed on October 26, 1995)
- 5.1 Opinion of Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP
- 15.1 Letter Regarding Unaudited Interim Financial Information
- 23.1 Consent of Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP (included in its opinion filed as Exhibit 5.1)
- 23.2 Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP
- 24.1 Powers of Attorney (included on page 8)

## VORNADO REALTY TRUST 2002 OMNIBUS SHARE PLAN

- 1. PURPOSE. The purpose of the 2002 Omnibus Share Plan of Vornado Realty Trust (the "Plan") is to promote the financial interests of Vornado Realty Trust (the "Trust"), including its growth and performance, by encouraging employees of the Trust and its subsidiaries, including officers (together, the "Employees"), its non-employee trustees of the Trust and non-employee directors of its subsidiaries (together, the "Non-Employee Trustees"), and certain non-employee advisors and consultants that provide bona fide services to the Trust or its subsidiaries (together, the "Consultants") to acquire an ownership position in the Trust, enhancing the ability of the Trust and its subsidiaries to attract and retain Employees, Non-Employee Trustees and Consultants of outstanding ability, and providing Employees, Non-Employee Trustees and Consultants with a way to acquire or increase their proprietary interest in the Trust's success.
- 2. SHARES SUBJECT TO THE PLAN. Subject to adjustment as provided in Section 14, the number of common shares, par value \$.04, of beneficial interest in the Trust (the "Shares") which shall be available for the grant of awards under the Plan shall not exceed 10,000,000. No Participant (as defined in Section 3) shall be granted stock options and stock appreciation rights with respect to more than an aggregate number of 10,000,000 Shares, subject to adjustment as provided in Article 14. The Shares issued under the Plan may be authorized and unissued Shares or treasury Shares, as the Trust may from time to time determine.

Shares subject to an award that expires unexercised, that is forfeited, terminated or cancelled, in whole or in part, or is paid in cash in lieu of Shares, shall thereafter again be available for grant under the Plan.

3. ADMINISTRATION. With respect to Employees and Consultants, the Plan shall be administered by the Compensation Committee (the "Committee") of the Trustees of the Trust. A majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum, and the acts of a majority shall be the acts of the Committee. With respect to Non-Employee Trustees, the Plan shall be administered by the Board of Trustees.

Subject to the provisions of the Plan, the Committee shall select the Employees and Consultants who will be participants in the Plan and the Board of Trustees shall select the Non-Employee Trustees who will be participants in the Plan (together, the "Participants"). Each of the Committee and the Board of Trustees, respectively, shall (i) determine the type of awards to be made to Participants, determine the Shares or share units subject to awards, and (ii) shall have the authority to interpret the Plan, to establish, amend, and rescind any rules and regulations relating to the Plan, to determine the terms and provisions of any agreements entered into hereunder, and to make all other determinations necessary or advisable for the administration of the Plan. Each of the Committee and the Board of Trustees, respectively, may correct any defect, supply any omission or reconcile any inconsistency in the Plan or in any award in the manner and to the extent it shall deem desirable to carry it into effect. The determinations of the Committee and the Board of Trustees in their respective administration of the Plan, as described herein, shall be final and conclusive. If the there is an inconsistency between the determinations of the Committee and of the Board of Trustees, the determinations by the Board of Trustees shall be final and conclusive.

- 4. ELIGIBILITY. All Employees who have demonstrated significant management potential or who have the capacity for contributing in a substantial measure to the successful performance of the Trust, as determined by the Committee, and Consultants, as determined by the Committee, are eligible to be Participants in the Plan. Non-Employee Trustees are also eligible Participants under the Plan, as determined by the Board of Trustees.
- 5. AWARDS. Awards under the Plan may consist of the following: stock options (either incentive stock options within the meaning of Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code or non-qualified stock options), stock appreciation rights, performance shares, or grants of restricted stock. Awards of performance shares and restricted stock may provide the Participant with dividends or dividend equivalents and voting rights prior to vesting (whether based on a period of time or based on attainment of specified performance conditions).
- 6. STOCK OPTIONS. The Committee or the Board of Trustees, in each case, shall establish the option price at the time each stock option is granted, which price shall not be less than 100% of the fair market value of the Shares on the date of grant. Stock options shall be exercisable for such period as specified by the Committee or Board of Trustees, in each case, but in no event may options be exercisable more than ten years after their date of grant. The option price of each Share as to which a stock option is exercised shall be paid in full at the time of such exercise. Such payment shall be made in cash, by tender of

Shares owned by the Participant valued at fair market value as of the date of exercise, in such other consideration as the Committee or the Board of Trustees, in each case, deems appropriate, or by a combination of cash, Shares and such other consideration.

If determined by the Committee or the Board of Trustees, in each case, at or subsequent to the date of grant of a stock option, in the event a Participant pays the exercise price of such stock option (in whole or in part) by tendering Shares owned by the Participant, such Participant shall automatically be granted a reload stock option for the number of Shares used to pay the exercise price. The reload stock option shall have terms and conditions determined by the Committee or Board of Trustees, in each case, consistent with this Section. If a reload stock option is granted as set forth above, one or more successive reload stock options shall automatically be granted, unless otherwise determined by the Committee or the Board of Trustees, in each case, to a Participant who pays all or part of the exercise price of any such reload stock option grants shall not be treated as Shares under the Plan in determining the aggregate number of Shares available for the grant of awards pursuant to the first sentence of Section 2.

- 7. STOCK APPRECIATION RIGHTS. Stock appreciation rights may be granted in tandem with a stock option, in addition to a stock option, or may be freestanding and unrelated to a stock option. Stock appreciation rights granted in tandem with or in addition to a stock option may be granted either at the same time as the stock option or at a later time. No stock appreciation right shall be exercisable earlier than six months after grant, except in the event of the Participant's death or disability. A stock appreciation right shall entitle the Participant to receive from the Trust an amount equal to the increase of the fair market value of the Share on the exercise of the stock appreciation right over the grant price. The Committee or the Board of Trustees, in each case, in its sole discretion, shall determine whether the stock appreciation right shall be settled in cash, Shares or a combination of cash and Shares.
- 8. PERFORMANCE SHARES. Performance shares may be granted in the form of actual Shares or share units having a value equal to an identical number of Shares. In the event that a certificate is issued in respect of Shares subject to a grant of performance shares, such certificate shall be registered in the name of the Participant but shall held by the Trust until the time the Shares subject to the grant of performance shares are earned. The performance conditions and the length of the performance period shall be determined by the Committee or the Board of Trustees, respectively. The Committee or the Board of Trustees, in each case, in its sole discretion, shall determine whether performance shares granted in the form of share units shall be paid in cash, Shares, or a combination of cash and Shares.
- 9. RESTRICTED STOCK. Restricted stock may be granted in the form of actual Shares or share units having a value equal to an identical number of Shares. In the event that a certificate is issued in respect of Shares subject to a grant of restricted stock, such certificate shall be registered in the name of the Participant but shall be held by the Trust until the end of the restricted period. The employment conditions and the length of the period for vesting of restricted stock shall be established by the Committee or the Board of Trustees, in each case, at time of grant. The Committee or the Board of Trustees, in each case, in its sole discretion, shall determine whether restricted stock granted in the form of share units shall be paid in cash, Shares, or a combination of cash and Shares.
- 10. AWARD AGREEMENTS. Each award under the Plan shall be evidenced by an agreement setting forth the terms and conditions, as determined by the Committee or the Board of Trustees, respectively, which shall apply to such award, in addition to the terms and conditions specified in the Plan.
- 11. WITHHOLDING. The Trust shall have the right to deduct from any payment to be made pursuant to the Plan, or to require prior to the issuance or delivery of any Shares or the payment of cash under the Plan, any taxes required by law to be withheld therefrom. The Committee, in its sole discretion, may permit a Participant who is an employee of the Trust or its subsidiaries to elect to satisfy such withholding obligation by having the Trust retain the number of Shares whose fair market value equals the amount required to be withheld. Any fraction of a Share required to satisfy such obligation shall be disregarded and the amount due shall instead be paid in cash to the Participant.
- 12. NONTRANSFERABILITY. Except as may otherwise be determined by the Committee or the Board of Trustees with respect to the transferability of stock options by the Participant to such Participant's immediate family members (or trusts, partnerships, or limited liability companies established for such immediate family members), no award under the Plan shall be assignable or transferable except by will or the laws of descent and distribution, and no right or interest of any Participant shall be subject to any lien, obligation or liability of the Participant. For this purpose, immediate family member means, except as otherwise defined by the Committee or the Board of Trustees, the Participant's children, stepchildren, grandchildren, parents, stepparents,

grandparents, spouse, siblings (including half brothers and sisters), in-laws and persons related by reason of legal adoption. Such transferees may transfer a stock option only by will or the laws of descent or distribution. A stock option transferred pursuant to this Section 12 shall remain subject to the provisions of the Plan, and shall be subject to such other rules as the Committee or the Board of Trustees shall determine. Upon transfer of a stock option, any related stock appreciation right shall be canceled. Except in the case of a holder's incapacity, an award shall be exercisable only by the holder thereof.

13. NO RIGHT TO EMPLOYMENT. No person shall have any claim or right to be granted an award, and the grant of an award shall not be construed as giving a Participant any right to continue his or her service to the Trust or its subsidiaries as an Employee, Non-Employee Trustee or Consultant. Further, the Trust and its subsidiaries expressly reserve the right at any time

to dismiss a Participant free from any liability, or any claim under the Plan, except as provided herein or in any agreement entered into hereunder.

- 14. ADJUSTMENT OF AND CHANGES IN SHARES. In the event of any change in the outstanding Shares by reason of any share dividend or split, recapitalization, merger, consolidation, spinoff, combination or exchange of Shares or other corporate change, or any distributions to common shareholders other than regular cash dividends, the Committee or the Board of Trustees, respectively, may make such substitution or adjustment, if any, as it deems to be equitable, as to the number or kind of Shares or other securities issued or reserved for issuance pursuant to the Plan and to outstanding awards.
- 15. AMENDMENT. The Trustees may amend or terminate the Plan or any portion thereof at any time, provided that no amendment shall be made without shareholder approval if such approval is necessary under the Internal Revenue Code or the rules of the New York Stock Exchange.
- 16. EFFECTIVE DATE. The Plan shall be effective as of the date of the approval by the shareholders of the Trust. Subject to earlier termination pursuant to Section 15, the Plan shall have a term of ten years from its effective date.

## [LETTERHEAD OF BALLARD SPAHR ANDREWS & INGERSOLL LLP]

December 26, 2002

Vornado Realty Trust 888 Seventh Avenue New York, New York 10019

Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have served as Maryland counsel to Vornado Realty Trust, a Maryland real estate investment trust (the "Company"), in connection with certain matters of Maryland law arising out of the registration of up to 7,500,000 shares (the "Shares") of the common shares of beneficial interest, par value \$.04 per share, of the Company (the "Common Shares") covered by the above-referenced Registration Statement (the "Registration Statement"), substantially in the form to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act"). The Shares are to be issued by the Company pursuant to options granted under the Vornado Realty Trust 2002 Omnibus Share Plan (the "Plan").

In connection with our representation of the Company, and as a basis for the opinion hereinafter set forth, we have examined originals, or copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of the following documents (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Documents"):

- 1. The Registration Statement and the related form of prospectus;
- 2. The Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust of the Company, as amended (the "Declaration of Trust"), certified as of a recent date by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland (the "SDAT");
- 3. The Bylaws of the Company, certified as of a recent date by an officer of the Company;
- 4. Resolutions adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Company relating to the Plan and the issuance and registration of the Shares, certified as of a recent date by an officer of the Company (the "Resolutions");

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- 5. A certificate of the SDAT as to the good standing of the Company, dated as of a recent date;
- 6. A certificate executed by an officer of the Company, dated the date hereof;
  - 7. The Plan; and
- 8. Such other documents and matters as we have deemed necessary or appropriate to express the opinion set forth below, subject to the assumptions, limitations and qualifications stated herein.

In expressing the opinion set forth below, we have assumed the following:

- 1. Each individual executing any of the Documents, whether on behalf of such individual or another person, is legally competent to do so.
- 2. Each individual executing any of the Documents on behalf of a party (other than the Company) is duly authorized to do so.
- 3. Each of the parties (other than the Company) executing any of the Documents has duly and validly executed and delivered each of the Documents to which such party is a signatory, and such party's obligations set forth therein are legal, valid and binding and are enforceable in accordance with all stated terms.
- 4. All Documents submitted to us as originals are authentic. The form and content of any Documents submitted to us as unexecuted drafts do not differ in any respect relevant to this opinion from the form and content of such Documents as executed and delivered. Any Documents submitted to us as certified or photostatic copies conform to the original documents. All signatures on all such Documents are genuine. All public records reviewed or relied upon by us or on our behalf are true and complete. All representations, warranties, statements and information contained in the Documents are true and complete. There has been no oral or written modification of or amendment to any of the Documents, and there has been no waiver of any provision of any of the Documents by action or omission of the parties or otherwise.
- 5. The Shares will not be issued in violation of any restriction or limitation contained in the Declaration of Trust.

Based upon the foregoing, and subject to the assumptions, limitations and qualifications stated herein, it is our opinion that:  $\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{1}$ 

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- 1. The Company is a real estate investment trust duly formed and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Maryland and is in good standing with the SDAT.
- 2. The Shares have been duly authorized for issuance pursuant to the Plan and, when and if issued and delivered against payment therefor and otherwise in the manner described in the Plan, the Registration Statement and the Resolutions, will be (assuming that upon such issuance the total number of Common Shares issued and outstanding will not exceed the total number of Common Shares that the Company is then authorized to issue under the Declaration of Trust) validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

The foregoing opinion is limited to the substantive laws of the State of Maryland and we do not express any opinion herein concerning any other law. We express no opinion as to compliance with any federal or state securities laws, including the securities laws of the State of Maryland, or as to federal or state laws regarding fraudulent transfers. We assume no obligation to supplement this opinion if any applicable law changes after the date hereof or if we become aware of any fact that might change the opinion expressed herein after the date hereof.

This opinion is being furnished to you solely for submission to the Commission as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and, accordingly, may not be relied upon by, quoted in any manner to, or delivered to any other person or entity (other than Sullivan & Cromwell, counsel to the Company) without, in each instance, our prior written consent.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the use of the name of our firm therein. In giving this consent, we do not admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required by Section 7 of the 1933 Act.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll LLP December 26, 2002

Vornado Realty Trust New York, New York

We have made a review, in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, of the unaudited interim financial information of Vornado Realty Trust for the periods ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, as indicated in our report dated October 30, 2002 (December 24, 2002, as to the effects of the restatement discussed in Note 12); because we did not perform an audit, we expressed no opinion on that information.

We are aware that our report referred to above, which was included in your Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q/A (Amendment No. 1) for the quarter ended September 30, 2002, is being used in this Registration Statement.

We also are aware that the aforementioned report, pursuant to Rule 436(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, is not considered a part of the Registration Statement prepared or certified by an accountant or a report prepared or certified by an accountant within the meaning of Sections 7 and 11 of that Act.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP Parsippany, New Jersey

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' CONSENT

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement and Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement No. 333-68462 of Vornado Realty Trust on Form S-8 of our report dated March 11, 2002, appearing in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Vornado Realty Trust for the year ended December 31, 2001.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP Parisippany, New Jersey

December 26, 2002