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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION**

**Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

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Filed by the Registrant ☒

Filed by a Party other than the Registrant ☐

Check the appropriate box:

- ☐ Preliminary Proxy Statement
- ☐ **Confidential, for Use of the Commission Only (as permitted by Rule 14a-6(e)(2))**
- ☐ Definitive Proxy Statement
- ☒ Definitive Additional Materials
- ☐ Soliciting Material Pursuant to §240.14a-12

**Hercules Capital, Inc.**

(Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

(Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement if Other Than the Registrant)

Payment of Filing Fee (Check all boxes that apply):

- ☒ No fee required
  - ☐ Fee paid previously with preliminary materials
  - ☐ Fee computed on table in exhibit required by Item 25(b) per Exchange Act Rules 14a-6(i)(I) and 0-11
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# Your vote is needed!

Dear Stockholders,

We recently distributed proxy materials for the upcoming Hercules Capital, Inc. annual meeting, which is quickly approaching on June 22, 2023. Our records indicate that your shares have not yet been voted and we urge you to vote as soon as possible to ensure that the meeting can occur as scheduled.

Please respond to the proxy solicitation by voting in favor of each of the proposals described in the proxy materials previously provided. Voting is quick and easy, taking only a few moments. If sufficient votes are not cast, we may have to adjourn and reschedule the annual meeting, incurring additional cost. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our proxy solicitor, Broadridge Financial Solutions at 1-833-795-8492.

## FOUR WAYS TO VOTE

**PROXY QUESTIONS?**  
Call 1-833-795-8492



### ONLINE

**WWW.PROXYVOTE.COM**  
Please have your proxy card in hand when accessing the website. There are easy-to-follow directions to help you complete the electronic voting instruction form.



### PHONE

**WITHOUT A PROXY CARD**  
Call 1-833-795-8492  
Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. ET to speak with a proxy specialist.

**WITH A PROXY CARD**  
Call 1-800-690-6903 with a touch-tone phone to vote using an automated system.



### QR CODE

**WITH A SMARTPHONE**  
Vote by scanning the Quick Response Code or "QR Code" on the Proxy Card/VIF enclosed.



### MAIL

**VOTE PROCESSING**  
Mark, sign and date your ballot and return it in the postage-paid envelope provided.



**Hercules.**  
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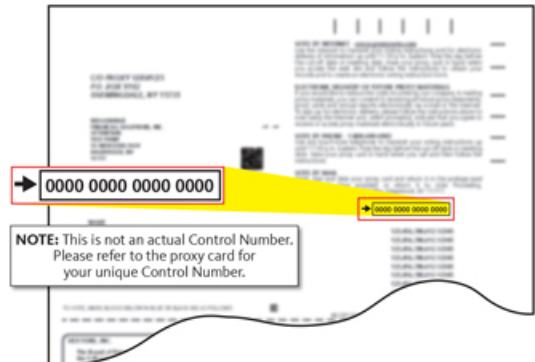
**UPCOMING ANNUAL MEETING  
ACTION REQUESTED  
REGARDING YOUR INVESTMENT**

**MEETING DATE IS QUICKLY APPROACHING  
WE URGENTLY NEED YOUR VOTE!**

## Your vote is missing and urgently needed.

The annual stockholder meeting of Hercules Capital, Inc. is quickly approaching on June 22, 2023. We urgently need your vote. **You can vote your shares by internet, telephone, or mail.**

Simply follow the instructions on the enclosed form. For your convenience, we've highlighted where you can find your unique Control Number. **If you have any questions or need assistance, please call 1-833-795-8492.**



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