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

# **SCHEDULE 14A**

# PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(a) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

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This Schedule 14A relates solely to a preliminary communication made prior to furnishing security holders of Nordstrom, Inc. (the "Company") with a definitive proxy statement and a transaction statement on Schedule 13E-3 related to a proposed transaction involving the Company, Norse Holdings, Inc. ("Parent") and Navy Acquisition Co. Inc. ("Acquisition Sub"), whereby the Company would become a whollyowned subsidiary of Parent.

### The following message was included in an internal newsletter sent to the Company's employees on January 10, 2025

Attached/Linked: Video Message

#### **An Exciting New Chapter**

The Nordstrom family, along with El Puerto de Liverpool, have reached an agreement with the board to acquire Nordstrom and operate it as a private company.

A message from Pete, Erik and Jamie

## The following is a transcript of a video sent to the Company's employees on January 10, 2025

#### **Pete Nordstrom:**

Hi everybody. We have an announcement to make and it's really exciting news. Our family, along with an investor, El Puerto de Liverpool, have reached an agreement with the board to take our company private and essentially buy the company.

#### Jamie Nordstrom:

This process is going to play out over a period of months, but nothing about what's been announced today changes what we do, how we do it

#### **Erik Nordstrom:**

If you take nothing else away, the main reason is our excitement and optimism for the business. As you guys know, this has been our lives. We've been working here since we were teenagers. We're four generations into this. We are really all in for the future of this company.

#### Jamie Nordstrom:

As a private company, we'll be able to focus on the things that matter the most to us: giving great service, having the best merchandise, making customers feel good. This is going to allow us to focus on being the best Nordstrom we can be.

#### **Pete Nordstrom:**

There's going to be a ton of guestions we're not going to be able to answer here today, but there will be more information coming.

#### **Erik Nordstrom:**

More than anything else, we want to take this opportunity to thank you for all you do. We think we have a special place here. The basis of that is really the team we have, so thank you for all you do and let's finish this holiday season really strong.

#### Additional Information Regarding the Merger and Where to Find It

This communication relates to the proposed transaction (the "proposed transaction") involving the Company, Parent and Acquisition Sub, whereby the Company would become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent. This communication does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities of the Company or any other person or the solicitation of any vote or approval. The Company and affiliates of the Company intend to jointly file a transaction statement on Schedule 13E-3 (the "Schedule 13E-3") relating to the proposed transaction, and the Company intends to file a proxy statement on Schedule 14A relating to a special meeting of shareholders to approve the proposed transaction, each of which will be mailed or otherwise disseminated to the shareholders of the Company entitled to vote on the proposed transaction. The Company may also file other relevant documents with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") regarding the proposed transaction. BEFORE MAKING ANY VOTING OR INVESTMENT DECISION WITH RESPECT TO THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION, INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY ARE URGED TO READ THE DEFINITIVE PROXY STATEMENT REGARDING THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION (INCLUDING ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS THERETO OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE THEREIN), THE SCHEDULE 13E-3 (INCLUDING ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS THERETO OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE THEREIN), AND OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS FILED OR TO BE FILED WITH THE SEC CAREFULLY AND IN THEIR ENTIRETY WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION. Investors and security holders may obtain free copies of the definitive proxy statement, any amendments or supplements thereto and other documents containing important information about the Company and the proposed transaction, once such documents are filed with the SEC, through the website maintained by the SEC at www.sec.gov. In addition, shareholders of the Company may obtain free copies of such documents by accessing the Investor Relations portion of the Company's website at https://nordstrom.gcs-web.com/financial-information/sec-filings.

#### Participants in the Solicitation

The Company and certain of its directors, executive officers and other employees may, under the rules of the SEC, be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies in connection with the proposed transaction. Information about the directors and executive officers of the Company is set forth in the Company's definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A for the 2024 annual meeting of the shareholders of the Company, filed with the SEC on April 11, 2024 (available here), under the sections "Corporate Governance—Director Compensation and Stock Ownership Guidelines," "Compensation of Executive Officers," and "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management." To the extent the security holdings of directors and executive officers have changed since the amounts described in these filings, such changes are set forth on Initial Statements of Beneficial Ownership on Form 3 or Statements of Change in Ownership on Form 4 filed with the SEC. Updated information regarding the identity of participants and their direct or indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, in the Company will be set forth in the Company's Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A regarding the approval of the proposed transaction and other relevant documents to be filed with the SEC, if and when they become available. These documents will be available free of charge as described above.

#### **Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This communication contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, including, without limitation, statements regarding the anticipated timing of the consummation of the proposed transaction. Forward-looking statements provide current expectations of future events based on certain assumptions and include any statement that does not directly relate to any historical or current fact. Forward-looking statements can also be identified by words such as "anticipates," "believes," "plans," "expects," "future," "intends," "may," "will," "would," "could," "should," "estimates," "predicts," "potential," "continues," "target," "outlook" and similar terms and expressions, but the absence of these words does not mean that the statement is not forward-looking. Actual results may differ significantly from management's expectations due to various risks and uncertainties including, without limitation: (i) the risk that the proposed transaction may not be completed in a timely manner, or at all; (ii) the failure to satisfy the conditions to the consummation of the proposed transaction, including, without limitation, the receipt of shareholder approvals, the receipt of necessary regulatory approvals or the absence of a Below Investment Grade Rating Event; (iii) unanticipated difficulties or expenditures relating to the proposed transaction; (iv) the effect of the announcement or pendency of the proposed transaction on the plans, business relationships, operating results and operations; (v) potential difficulties retaining employees, suppliers and customers as a result of the announcement and pendency of the proposed transaction; (vi) the response of employees, suppliers and customers to the announcement of the proposed transaction; (vii) risks related to diverting management's attention from the Company's ongoing business operations; (viii) legal proceedings, including those that may be instituted against the Company, its board of directors, its executive officers or others following the announcement of the proposed transaction; and (ix) risks regarding the failure to obtain the financing to complete the proposed transaction or have a sufficient amount of Company cash on hand to complete the proposed transaction or pay the full amount of the special dividend contemplated by the proposed transaction. In addition, a description of certain other factors that could affect the Company's business, financial condition or results of operations is included in the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC. Forward-looking statements reflect the Company's good faith beliefs, assumptions and expectations but are not guarantees of future performance or events. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this communication. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and the Company undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof, except as may be required by law.