TJX COMPANIES INC /DE/ Form S-8 April 25, 2002

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> SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

> > FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Under

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

THE TJX COMPANIES, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

04-2207613 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

770 Cochituate Road Framingham, Massachusetts 01701 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN 1993 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN FOR NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTORS (Full title of the plans)

> DONALD G. CAMPBELL Executive Vice President-Finance The TJX Companies, Inc. 770 Cochituate Road Framingham, Massachusetts 01701 (508) 390-1000

(Name, Address and Telephone Number, including Area Code, of Agent for Service)

COPIES TO:

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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Proposed maximum Proposed maximum offering price aggregate offering Title of Securities Amount to be offering price to be registered Registered(1) per share(2) price(2)

Common Stock, par value \$1.00

12,500,000 shares

\$42.48

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\$531,054,687.50

- (1) Plus such additional number of shares as may be issued under the Plans as a result of stock splits, stock dividends, or similar transactions.
- (2) Calculated pursuant to Rule 457(h) on the basis of the average of the high and low prices of the Common Stock reported on the New York Stock Exchange Composite Transactions Tape on April 22, 2002.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Registration Statement registers 12,500,000 additional shares of Common Stock, \$1.00 par value, to be offered pursuant to the Stock Incentive Plan of The TJX Companies, Inc. Registration Statement (No. 33-12220), Registration Statement (No. 33-49747), and Registration Statement (No. 33-35073) are currently effective and the contents of these Registration Statements are incorporated herein by reference.

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### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant 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 on Form S-8 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Framingham, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on this 22nd day of April, 2002.

The TJX Companies, Inc.

By: /s/ Donald G. Campbell

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Name: Donald G. Campbell Title: Executive Vice President-

Finance

### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Pursuant to the requirement of the Securities Act of 1933, this

Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated. Each person whose signature appears below hereby authorizes and constitutes Edmond J. English, Donald G. Campbell and Jay H. Meltzer, with full power of substitution, to execute in the name of and on behalf of such person any amendment (including any post-effective amendment) to this Registration Statement, and any subsequent registration statement for the same offering that may be filed under Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, and to file the same, with exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, making such changes in this Registration Statement and any subsequent registration statement under Rule 462(b) as the person(s) so acting deems appropriate.

/s/ Edmond J. English Dated: April 22, 2002

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Edmond J. English, President and Principal Executive Officer and Director

/s/ Donald G. Campbell Dated: April 22, 2002

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Donald G. Campbell, Executive Vice President - Finance, Principal Financial and Accounting Officer

/s/ David A. Brandon Dated: April 22, 2002

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David A. Brandon, Director

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/s/ Bernard Cammarata Dated: April 23, 2002

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Bernard Cammarata, Director

/s/ Gary L. Crittenden Dated: April 22, 2002

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Gary L. Crittenden, Director

/s/ Gail Deegan Dated: April 22, 2002

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Gail Deegan, Director

/s/ Dennis F. Hightower Dated: April 19, 2002

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Dennis F. Hightower, Director

/s/ Richard Lesser	Dated:	April 24, 20	02
Richard Lesser, Director			
John F. O'Brien, Director	Dated:	April , 20	)02
/s/ Robert F. Shapiro Robert F. Shapiro, Director	Dated:	April 22, 20	)02
/s/ Willow B. Shire	Dated:	April 22, 20	)02
/s/ Fletcher H. WileyFletcher H. Wiley, Director	Dated:	April 19, 20	)02

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## EXHIBIT INDEX

NUMBER	TITLE OF EXHIBIT
4	The TJX Companies, Inc. Stock Incentive Plan, as amended through June 5, 2001, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form 10-Q filed for the quarter ended July 28, 2001.*
5	Opinion of Ropes & Gray
23.1	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
23.2	Consent of Ropes & Gray (contained in the opinion filed as Exhibit 5 hereto)
24	Power of Attorney (included in Part II of the Registration Statement under the caption "Signatures").