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JOHN HANCOCK CLOSED-END FUNDS RELEASE EARNINGS DATA

BOSTON, MA (November 20, 2012) – The ten John Hancock Closed-End Funds listed in the table below announced the earnings¹ for the three months ended October 31, 2012. The same data for the comparable three month period ended October 31, 2011 is also available below.

Ticker	Fund Name	Current Fiscal Year End	Three Months Ended 10/31/2012				
			Net Investment Income	Per Common Share	NAV	Total Managed Assets	Total Net Assets
HPI	Preferred Income Fund	7/31	\$11,218,660	\$0.432	\$22.30	\$861,795,871*	\$578,795,871
HPF	Preferred Income Fund II	7/31	\$9,166,219	\$0.432	\$22.20	\$702,243,566*	\$471,243,566
HPS	Preferred Income Fund III	7/31	\$11,768,686	\$0.373	\$19.35	\$911,871,506*	\$609,871,506
BTO	Bank and Thrift Opportunity Fund	10/31	\$839,807	\$0.045	\$18.91	\$350,448,894	\$350,448,894
HEQ	Hedged Equity & Income Fund	10/31	\$459,529	\$0.033	\$17.60	\$245,508,976	\$245,508,976
JHS	Income Securities Trust	10/31	\$3,021,037	\$0.258	\$15.88	\$276,091,363*	\$185,791,363
JHI	Investors Trust	10/31	\$4,079,260	\$0.473	\$20.44	\$262,303,115*	\$176,403,115
PDT	Premium Dividend Fund	10/31	\$11,230,985	\$0.225	\$14.56	\$1,094,204,194*	\$728,204,194
HTD	Tax-Advantaged Dividend Income Fund	10/31	\$11,090,135	\$0.294	\$20.49	\$1,163,449,852*	\$773,149,852
HTY	Tax-Advantaged Global Shareholder Yield Fund	10/31	\$694,655	\$0.073	\$11.86	\$112,624,579	\$112,624,579

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			Net Investment Income	Per Common Share	NAV	Total Managed Assets	Total Net Assets
HPI	Preferred Income Fund	7/31	\$11,349,926	\$0.438	\$20.47	\$803,161,515*	\$530,361,515
HPF	Preferred Income Fund II	7/31	\$9,364,360	\$0.442	\$20.44	\$655,393,847*	\$433,093,847
HPS	Preferred Income Fund III	7/31	\$11,983,420	\$0.381	\$17.48	\$837,216,724*	\$549,816,724
BTO	Bank and Thrift Opportunity Fund	10/31	\$685,944	\$0.036	\$15.67	\$297,925,917	\$297,925,917
HEQ	Hedged Equity & Income Fund	10/31	\$331,134	\$0.023	\$16.99	\$248,393,304	\$248,393,304
JHS	Income Securities Trust	10/31	\$3,183,733	\$0.274	\$14.64	\$257,296,984	\$170,296,984
JHI	Investors Trust	10/31	\$4,145,174	\$0.484	\$19.17	\$251,799,358	\$164,099,358
PDT	Premium Dividend Fund	10/31	\$11,060,926	\$0.221	\$13.22	\$989,616,819*	\$660,416,819
HTD	Tax-Advantaged Dividend Income Fund	10/31	\$10,544,176	\$0.279	\$18.27	\$1,033,529,606*	\$689,529,606
HTY	Tax-Advantaged Global Shareholder Yield Fund	10/31	\$1,025,577	\$0.108	\$12.12	\$114,766,023	\$114,766,023

*Total managed assets include assets attributable to borrowings under Committed Facility Agreement.

¹ Earnings refer to net investment income, which is comprised of the Funds' interest and dividend income, less expenses.

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