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JOHN HANCOCK CLOSED-END FUNDS DECLARE EARLY MONTHLY DISTRIBUTIONS

BOSTON, MA (**December 20, 2013**) – The five John Hancock closed-end funds listed below declared their monthly distributions today as follows:

Declaration Date: December 20, 2013
Ex Date: December 26, 2013
Record Date: December 30, 2013
Payment Date: January 31, 2014

| Ticker | Fund Name | Distribution Per Share | Change From Previous Distribution | Market Price as of 12/19/2013 | Annualized Current Distribution Rate at Market |
|--------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|----------------------------------|---|
| HPI | Preferred Income Fund | \$0.1400 | - | \$17.62 | 9.53% |
| HPF | Preferred Income Fund II | \$0.1400 | - | \$17.81 | 9.43% |
| HPS | Preferred Income Fund III | \$0.1222 | - | \$15.56 | 9.42% |
| PDT | Premium Dividend Fund | \$0.0800 | - | \$11.58 | 8.29% |
| HTD | Tax-Advantaged Dividend Income Fund | \$0.1100 | - | \$17.67 | 7.47% |

The Funds listed above have accelerated the declaration, ex-date, and record date of the regularly scheduled January distribution in order for the Funds to meet their 2013 distribution requirements for federal excise tax purposes. In February 2014, each of the above Funds expects to resume its regular monthly declaration, distribution and payment schedule.

A portion of a Fund's current distribution may include sources other than net investment income, including a return of capital. Investors should understand that a return of capital is not a distribution from income or gains of a Fund. As required under the Investment Company Act of 1940, a notice with the estimated components of the distribution will be sent to shareholders at the time of payment if it does not consist solely of net investment income. Such notice will also be posted to the Funds' website at www.jhinvestments.com. The notice should not be used to prepare tax returns as the estimates indicated in the notice may differ from the ultimate federal income tax characterization of distributions. After the end of each calendar year, investors will be sent a Form 1099-DIV informing them how to report distributions received during that year for federal income tax purposes.

Statements in this press release that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements as defined by the United States securities laws. You should exercise caution in interpreting and

relying on forward-looking statements because they are subject to uncertainties and other factors which are, in some cases, beyond the Fund's control and could cause actual results to differ materially from those set forth in the forward-looking statements.

An investor should consider a Fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses carefully before investing.

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