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JOHN HANCOCK TAX-ADVANTAGED DIVIDEND INCOME FUND AND JOHN HANCOCK TAX-ADVANTAGED GLOBAL SHAREHOLDER YIELD FUND ANNOUNCE RESULTS FROM SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

BOSTON, MA (December 22, 2016) – John Hancock Tax-Advantaged Dividend Income Fund (NYSE: HTD) and John Hancock Tax-Advantaged Global Shareholder Yield Fund (NYSE: HTY) (each a “Fund”), each a closed-end fund advised by John Hancock Advisers, LLC, announced today that shareholders voted in favor of the proposals presented for shareholder approval at the joint special meeting held on December 21, 2016.

At their joint special meeting of shareholders, shareholders of each Fund approved a new subadvisory agreement for the applicable Fund between John Hancock Advisers, LLC and Analytic Investors, LLC (“Analytic”), which manages the options overlay strategy for each Fund. As previously announced, it was necessary to approve a new subadvisory agreement as a result of a change in ownership of Analytic. The new subadvisory agreement is substantially the same as the prior subadvisory agreement.

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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John Hancock Investments provides asset management services to individuals and institutions through a unique manager-of-managers approach. A wealth management business of John Hancock Financial, we managed more than \$136 billion in assets as of September 30, 2016, across mutual funds, college savings plans, and retirement plans.

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