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JOHN HANCOCK ANNOUNCES PORTFOLIO MANAGER-ADDITIONS TO JOHN HANCOCK INVESTORS TRUST

BOSTON, MA (June 25, 2026) – John Hancock Investment Management LLC (the "Adviser") today announced changes to the portfolio management team for John Hancock Investors Trust (NYSE: JHI), (the "Fund"), subadvised by Manulife Investment Management (US) LLC (the "Subadviser").

Effective June 25, 2026, Darren Toner and Tim Jarombek, CFA, from the Manulife | CQS Investment Management (MCQS) organization will be added as portfolio managers to the Fund. Caryn Rothman, CFA, and Jonas Grazulis, CFA, will continue to serve as portfolio managers to the Fund. Mr. Toner will serve as the head of the Global High Yield Team and brings 21 years of investment industry experience to the Global High Yield Team, including 16 years with CQS (UK) LLP where he has been a member of the Multi Asset Credit Asset Advisory Committee since its inception in 2013. Mr. Jarombek is a Chartered Financial Analyst and brings 16 years of investment industry experience to the Global High Yield Team, including 6 years with CQS (US), LLC. Mr. Toner will serve as a portfolio manager on behalf of CQS (UK) LLP pursuant to a participating affiliate arrangement with the Subadviser, and Mr. Jarombek will serve as a portfolio manager on behalf of CQS (US), LLC pursuant to a sub-subadvisory agreement with the Subadviser.

Effective June 25, 2026, James Gearhart, CFA, will no longer serve as portfolio manager to the Fund.

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.

About Manulife John Hancock Investments
We serve investors through a unique multimanager approach, complementing our extensive in-house capabilities with an unrivaled network of specialized asset managers, backed by some of the most rigorous investment oversight in the industry. The result is a diverse lineup of time-tested investments from a premier asset manager with a heritage of financial stewardship.

About Manulife Investment Management
Manulife Investment Management is the global brand for the global wealth and asset management segment of Manulife Financial Corporation. We draw on more than a century of financial stewardship and the full resources of our parent company to serve individuals, institutions, and retirement plan members worldwide. Headquartered in Toronto, our leading capabilities in public and private markets are strengthened by an investment footprint that spans 18 geographies. We complement these

capabilities by providing access to a network of unaffiliated asset managers from around the world. We're committed to investing responsibly across our businesses. We develop innovative global frameworks for sustainable investing, collaboratively engage with companies in our securities portfolios, and maintain a high standard of stewardship where we own and operate assets, and we believe in supporting financial well-being through our workplace retirement plans. Today, plan sponsors around the world rely on our retirement plan administration and investment expertise to help their employees plan for, save for, and live a better retirement. Not all offerings are available in all jurisdictions. For additional information, please visit manulife.com.