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BlackRock Announces Board Approval of Closed-End Fund Reorganizations

New York, January 21, 2025 – BlackRock Advisors, LLC announced today that each of the Boards of Directors/Trustees of each of the closed-end funds named below (each, a “Fund” and collectively, the “Funds”) has approved the following reorganizations (each, a “Reorganization” and collectively, the “Reorganizations”), as applicable:

- BlackRock Municipal Income Trust II (NYSE: BLE), BlackRock Municipal Income Quality Trust (NYSE: BYM) and BlackRock Municipal Income Trust (NYSE: BFK) into BlackRock MuniHoldings Fund, Inc. (NYSE: MHD) with MHD continuing as the surviving Fund;
- BlackRock Investment Quality Municipal Trust, Inc. (NYSE: BKN), BlackRock MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. (NYSE: MQT) and BlackRock MuniYield Fund, Inc. (NYSE: MYD) into BlackRock MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. (NYSE: MQY), with MQY continuing as the surviving Fund; and
- BlackRock Long-Term Municipal Advantage Trust (NYSE: BTA) into BlackRock MuniAssets Fund, Inc. (NYSE: MUA), with MUA continuing as the surviving Fund.

“We believe that these reorganizations have the potential to provide a number of benefits to Fund shareholders, including the potential for lower expenses, increased income, a higher after-tax yield and improved secondary market trading, as applicable,” said R. Glenn Hubbard, Chair of the Boards of BlackRock Closed-End Funds.

It is currently expected that the Reorganizations will be completed in the third quarter of 2025, subject to the requisite approvals by each Fund’s respective common and preferred shareholders and the satisfaction of customary closing conditions.

Additional Information about the Reorganizations and Where to Find It

This press release is not intended to, and does not, constitute an offer to purchase or sell shares of the Funds nor is this press release intended to solicit a proxy from any shareholder of any of the Funds. The solicitation of the purchase or sale of securities or of proxies to effect the Reorganizations will only be made by either a definitive Proxy Statement or a definitive Proxy Statement/Prospectus.

This press release references a Proxy Statement and a Proxy Statement/Prospectus, to be filed by the Funds. The Proxy Statement and the Proxy Statement/Prospectus have yet to be

filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”). After the Proxy Statement and the Proxy Statement/Prospectus are filed with the SEC, each may be amended or withdrawn. The Proxy Statement/Prospectus will not be distributed to shareholders of the Funds unless and until a Registration Statement comprising of the Proxy Statement/Prospectus is declared effective by the SEC.

The Funds and their respective directors, trustees, officers and employees, and BlackRock, and its shareholders, officers and employees and other persons may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies with respect to the Reorganizations. Investors and shareholders may obtain more detailed information regarding the direct and indirect interests of the Funds' respective directors/trustees, officers and employees, and BlackRock and its shareholders, officers and employees and other persons by reading the Proxy Statement and the Proxy Statement/Prospectus when they are filed with the SEC.

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Availability of Fund Updates

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Forward-Looking Statements

This press release, and other statements that BlackRock or the Funds may make, may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act, with respect to the Funds or BlackRock’s future financial or business performance, strategies or expectations. Forward-looking statements are typically identified by words or phrases such as “trend,” “potential,” “opportunity,” “pipeline,” “believe,” “comfortable,” “expect,” “anticipate,” “current,” “intention,” “estimate,” “position,” “assume,” “outlook,” “continue,” “remain,” “maintain,” “sustain,” “seek,” “achieve,” and similar expressions, or future or conditional verbs such as “will,” “would,” “should,” “could,” “may” or similar expressions.

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Annual and Semi-Annual Reports and other regulatory filings of the Funds with the SEC are accessible on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov and on BlackRock's website at www.blackrock.com, and may discuss these or other factors that affect the Funds. The information contained on BlackRock's website is not a part of this press release.

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