

## DIVIDEND GROWTH SPLIT CORP. ANNOUNCES PREFERRED SHARE DISTRIBUTION RATE

**Toronto, July 26, 2024** – **(TSX: DGS, DGS.PR.A)** Dividend Growth Split Corp. (the "Fund") announces that the preferred share (the "Preferred Shares") distribution rate for the next term from September 28, 2024 to August 30, 2029 will be \$0.675 per Preferred Share per annum (6.75% on the par value of \$10.00) payable quarterly. This represents a pre-tax interest equivalent yield of 8.8% per annum.<sup>(1)</sup> The Preferred Share distribution rate is based on current market rates for preferred shares with similar terms.

The term extension offers preferred shareholders the opportunity to continue enjoying preferential cash dividends until August 30, 2029. Over the past 10-year period to June 30, 2024, the Preferred Share has delivered a 5.5% per annum return<sup>(2)</sup>. The Preferred Share has delivered consistent returns over various interest rate cycles and has outperformed the S&P/TSX Preferred Share Index over the past 10-year period by 3.2% per annum, with less volatility.<sup>(2)</sup>

Annual Compound Returns <sup>(2)</sup>	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year
Preferred Shares (TSX: DGS.PR.A)	5.6%	5.6%	5.6%	5.5%
S&P/TSX Preferred Share Index	20.7%	1.1%	5.6%	2.3%

In addition, the Fund intends to maintain the targeted monthly class A share (the "Class A Share") distribution rate of at least \$0.10 per Class A Share.<sup>(3)</sup> The Class A share has outperformed the S&P/TSX Composite Index (the "Composite Index) and the S&P/TSX Composite High Dividend Index (the "High Dividend Index) over the past 1, 3, 5 and 10-year periods.<sup>(2)</sup> Over the past 10-year period to June 30, 2024, the Class A Share has delivered a 10.7% per annum return, outperforming the High Dividend Index by 5% per annum and the Composite Index by 3.7% per annum.<sup>(2)</sup>

Annual Compound Returns <sup>(2)</sup>	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year
Class A Shares (TSX: DGS)	27.2%	14.2%	16.1%	10.7%
S&P/TSX Composite Index	12.1%	6.0%	9.3%	7.0%
S&P/TSX Composite High Dividend Index	6.6%	6.3%	8.7%	5.7%

Since inception on December 3, 2007 to June 30, 2024, Class A shareholders have received cash distributions of \$16.39 per Class A Share. Class A shareholders have the option to benefit by reinvesting their cash distributions in a distribution reinvestment plan ("DRIP") which is commission free to participants. Class A shareholders can enroll in the DRIP program by contacting their investment advisor.

The Fund invests, on an approximately equally-weighted basis, in a portfolio consisting primarily of equity securities of Canadian dividend growth companies. In addition, DGS may hold up to 20% of the total assets of the portfolio in global dividend growth companies for diversification and enhanced return potential.

In connection with the extension, shareholders who do not wish to continue their investment in the Fund, may retract their Preferred Shares or Class A Shares on September 27, 2024 pursuant to a special retraction right and receive a retraction price that is calculated in the same way that such price would be calculated if the Fund were to terminate on September 27, 2024. Pursuant to this option, the retraction price may be less



than the market price if the security is trading at a premium to net asset value. To exercise this retraction right, shareholders must provide notice to their investment dealer by August 30, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. (Toronto time). Alternatively, shareholders may sell their Preferred Shares and/or Class A Shares through their securities dealer for the market price at any time, potentially at a higher price than would be achieved through retraction, or shareholders may take no action and continue to hold their shares.

## **About Brompton Funds**

Founded in 2000, Brompton is an experienced investment fund manager with income and growth focused investment solutions including exchange-traded funds (ETFs) and other TSX traded investment funds. For further information, please contact your investment advisor, call Brompton's investor relations line at 416-642-6000 (toll-free at 1-866-642-6001), email info@bromptongroup.com or visit our website at www.bromptongroup.com.

(1) Based on combined Federal and Provincial (Ontario) highest marginal tax rates/tax credits (Source KPMG, 'Personal Tax Rates', 2024). 2024 tax characteristics applied to the annualized distribution yield assuming the Preferred Shares are purchased at \$10.00 and all distributions from the Preferred Shares are eligible dividends.

<sup>(2)</sup>Returns are for the periods ended June 30. 2024 and are unaudited. The tables show the past performance of the Fund. Past performance does not necessarily indicate how the Fund will perform in the future. The information shown is based on Net Asset Value per Class A Share and the redemption price per Preferred Share and assumes that distributions made by the Fund on the Class A shares and Preferred Shares in the periods shown were reinvested (at Net Asset Value per Class A Share or the redemption price per Preferred share) in additional Class A Shares and Preferred Shares of the Fund. The tables show the Fund's compound return on a Class A share and Preferred share for each period indicated, compared with the S&P/TSX Composite Index ("Composite Index"), the S&P/TSX Composite High Dividend Index (the "Composite High Dividend Index") and the S&P/TSX Preferred Share Index ("Preferred Index") (together the "Indices"). The Composite Index tracks the performance of a broad index of large-capitalization issuers listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (the "TSX"). The Composite High Dividend Index tracks the performance, on a market-weight basis, of 50-75 highest dividend yielding securities within the Composite Index. The Preferred Index tracks the performance, on a market-weight basis, of preferred shares listed the TSX that meet criteria relating to size, liquidity and issuer rating. The Fund invests in an actively managed portfolio and is rebalanced at least annually. It is therefore not expected the Fund's performance will mirror that of the Indices, which have more diversified portfolios. The Indices are calculated without the deduction of management fees, fund expenses and trading commissions, whereas the performance of the Fund is calculated after deducting such fees and expenses. Further, the performance of the Fund's Class A Shares is impacted by the leverage provided by the Fund's Preferred Shares.

<sup>(3)</sup>No distributions will be paid on the Class A Shares if (i) the distributions payable on the Preferred Shares are in arrears, or (ii) in respect of a cash distribution, after the payment of a cash distribution by the Fund the NAV per Unit would be less than \$15.00.

You will usually pay brokerage fees to your dealer if you purchase or sell shares of the investment funds on the Toronto Stock Exchange or other alternative Canadian trading system (an "exchange"). If the shares are purchased or sold on an exchange, investors may pay more than the current net asset value when buying shares of the investment fund and may receive less than the current net asset value when selling them.

There are ongoing fees and expenses associated with owning shares of an investment fund. An investment fund must prepare disclosure documents that contain key information about the fund. You can find more detailed information about the Fund in the public filings available at www.sedarplus.ca. The indicated rates of return are the historical annual compounded total returns including changes in share value and reinvestment of all distributions and do not take into account certain fees such as redemption costs or income taxes payable by any securityholder that would have reduced returns. Investment funds are not guaranteed, their values change frequently, and past performance may not be repeated.

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