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# NUVEEN CLOSED END FUNDS

**Annual Meeting Adjourned to March 5, 2012**

**PLEASE VOTE NOW**

Dear Shareholder:

We are sending you this notice because we have not yet received your vote. We recently sent you proxy materials concerning important proposals affecting your fund(s), which were considered at the Annual Shareholders Meeting. The meeting has been adjourned in order to allow more time for shareholders to cast their votes. The meeting will reconvene on March 5, 2012 at 2:00 p.m., Central time at the offices of Nuveen Investments, 333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL.

**Please call **866-456-7110** to cast your vote now.**

**VOTING NOW WILL SAVE ADDITIONAL PROXY COSTS.**

**YOUR FUND'S BOARD RECOMMENDS YOU VOTE FOR EACH OF THE PROPOSALS.**

**PROPOSALS HAVE THE SUPPORT OF A NATIONALLY-RECOGNIZED PROXY ADVISORY FIRM.**

Because over time Nuveen closed-end funds have seen increased institutional share ownership, these fund actions were reviewed and received the support of ISS Governance Services Inc. (ISS). ISS is widely recognized as the leading independent proxy advisory firm in the nation. Its recommendations are relied upon by hundreds of major institutional investment firms, mutual funds, and other fiduciaries throughout the country. **ISS recommends that its clients vote FOR each of the proposals contained in the proxy.**

**YOUR VOTE IS VERY IMPORTANT**

**VOTING NOW HELPS AVOID UNNECESSARY COMMUNICATIONS WITH SHAREHOLDERS**

The proposals are of utmost importance. Please take a few moments to review the information contained within this letter and in the Proxy Statement previously provided to you and cast your vote now. You may obtain a copy at <http://www.nuveenproxy.com/ProxyInfo/CEF/Default.aspx>.

The proposed new fundamental investment policy would permit each Fund to make loans to the extent permitted by the securities laws. Among other things, this change is intended to provide each Affected Municipal Fund the flexibility to make loans in circumstances where a municipal issuer is in distress, if Nuveen Fund Advisors, Inc. believes that doing so would both facilitate a timely workout of the issuer's situation in a manner which benefits that Fund, and be the best choice for reducing the likelihood or severity of loss on the Fund's investment.

**It is important that you call the proxy soliciting agent at **866-456-7110** to speak with one of the representatives to assist you with the voting process. Representatives are available to take your vote Monday through Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., EDT.**

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

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