

# The Gabelli Healthcare & Wellness<sup>Rx</sup> Trust

## Annual Report — December 31, 2024

### To Our Shareholders,

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the net asset value (NAV) total return of The Gabelli Healthcare & Wellness<sup>Rx</sup> Trust (the Fund) was (0.1)%, compared with a total return of 2.6% for the Standard & Poor's (S&P) 500 Health Care Index. The total return for the Fund's publicly traded shares was 9.6%. The Fund's NAV per share was \$11.01, while the price of the publicly traded shares closed at \$9.64 on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE). See page 4 for additional performance information.

Enclosed are the financial statements, including the schedule of investments, as of December 31, 2024.

### Investment Objective and Strategy (Unaudited)

The Fund's investment objective is long term growth of capital. Under normal market conditions, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets (plus borrowings made for investment purposes) in equity securities (such as common stock and preferred stock) and income producing securities (such as fixed income debt securities and securities convertible into common stock) of domestic and foreign companies in the healthcare and wellness industries. Companies in the healthcare and wellness industries are defined as those companies which are primarily engaged in providing products, services and/or equipment related to healthcare, medical, or lifestyle needs (i.e., nutrition, weight management, and food and beverage companies primarily engaged in healthcare and wellness). "Primarily engaged," as defined in this registration statement, means a company that derives at least 50% of its revenues or earnings from, or devotes at least 50% of its assets to, the indicated business. The above 80% policy includes investments in derivatives that have similar economic characteristics to the securities included in the 80% policy. The Fund values derivatives at market value for purposes of the 80% policy. Specific sector investments for the Fund will include, but are not limited to, dental, orthopedics, cardiology, hearing aid, life science, in-vitro diagnostics, medical supplies and products, aesthetics and plastic surgery, veterinary, pharmacy benefits management, healthcare distribution, healthcare imaging, pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, healthcare plans, healthcare services, and healthcare equipment, as well as food, beverages, nutrition and weight management. The Fund will focus on companies that are growing globally due to favorable demographic trends and may invest without limitation in securities of foreign issuers, including issuers in emerging markets.

As permitted by regulations adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission, paper copies of the Fund's annual and semiannual shareholder reports will no longer be sent by mail, unless you specifically request paper copies of the reports. Instead, the reports will be made available on the Fund's website ([www.gabelli.com](http://www.gabelli.com)), and you will be notified by mail each time a report is posted and provided with a website link to access the report. If you already elected to receive shareholder reports electronically, you will not be affected by this change and you need not take any action. To elect to receive all future reports on paper free of charge, please contact your financial intermediary, or, if you invest directly with the Fund, you may call 800-422-3554 or send an email request to [info@gabelli.com](mailto:info@gabelli.com).

## Performance Discussion (Unaudited)

The market rose to new highs in the first quarter of the year as strong economic growth more than offset stubbornly high inflation. While some central banks have started cutting interest rates, investors are beginning to expect rates to stay higher for longer as inflation continues to run above most central banks' 2% target. Better economic growth and higher inflation have also driven up the prices of many commodities, precious metals, and led to a stronger dollar. While ongoing wars are a humanitarian crisis, so far they have had minimal impact on the global economy. China continues to add stimulus to its economy, and may be emerging from an extended slump. Overall, the economic outlook looks better than it has in some time, but we are carefully watching what could change that, including upcoming elections around the world.

The stock market continued to rise in the second quarter, although it was led by technology stocks and especially companies tied to artificial intelligence. The market was also heavily influenced by the debate around the level of future interest rates. The Federal Reserve is clearly saying it wants to see more proof that inflation is approaching its 2% goal and is willing to hold rates higher for longer. That drove bond prices down and caused the dollar to strengthen, slight negatives for many of our multinational holdings. We are also watching the upcoming elections closely but believe that healthcare is a much less significant issue this year, especially in the United States.

Stocks rose during the third quarter as the Federal Reserve cut interest rates by half a percentage point and signaled that additional cuts are coming. So far the Fed has been successful in engineering a soft landing, with inflation moving towards their 2% target, while employment and economic growth are cooling but still positive. The European central bank is following a similar easing policy with even more urgency, given weaker economic growth across much of the continent. Late in the quarter, China announced a range of significant economic stimulus measures to address lackluster growth, high unemployment, and falling housing prices. These global actions were enough to offset a widening war in the Middle East and continued fighting in Ukraine.

Stocks continued to rise for both the fourth quarter and the year, although growth sectors like technology significantly outperformed more defensive sectors like healthcare and consumer staples. Economic growth, especially in the United States, remained much broader and stronger than expected all year. However, voters were still unhappy with many of their elected leaders, and voted for change across much of the developed world, including here in the U.S. Importantly, China announced a broad range of stimulus measures to support its economy and bolster economic growth in 2025, especially given the risk of higher tariffs with the U.S.

Our top contributors to the portfolio during the calendar year included BellRing Brands Inc. (3.3% of total investments as of December 31, 2024), together with its subsidiaries, provides various nutrition products in the United States; Tenet Healthcare Corp (3.0%), which operates as a diversified healthcare services company. The company operates through three segments: Hospital Operations, Ambulatory Care, and Conifer; and Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. (1.9%), which develops, manufactures, markets, and distributes generic and other medicines, and biopharmaceutical products in the United States, Europe, Israel, and internationally.

Detractors to performance for the year included pharmaceutical manufacturer Option Care Health Inc. (1.7%), which offers home and alternate site infusion services in the United States. The company provides anti-infective therapies; home infusion services to treat heart failures; home parenteral nutrition and enteral nutrition support services for numerous acute and chronic conditions; Evolent Health Inc. (1.2%), through its subsidiary, Evolent Health LLC, offers specialty care management services in oncology, cardiology, and musculoskeletal markets in the United States; and CVS Health Corp. (1.0%), which provides health services in the United States. It operates through Health Care Benefits, Pharmacy Services, and Retail/LTC segments.

Thank you for your investment in The Gabelli Healthcare & Wellness<sup>Rx</sup> Trust.

The views expressed reflect the opinions of the Fund's portfolio managers and Gabelli Funds, LLC, the Adviser, as of the date of this report and are subject to change without notice based on changes in market, economic, or other conditions. These views are not intended to be a forecast of future events and are no guarantee of future results.

## Comparative Results

### Average Annual Returns through December 31, 2024 (a) (Unaudited)

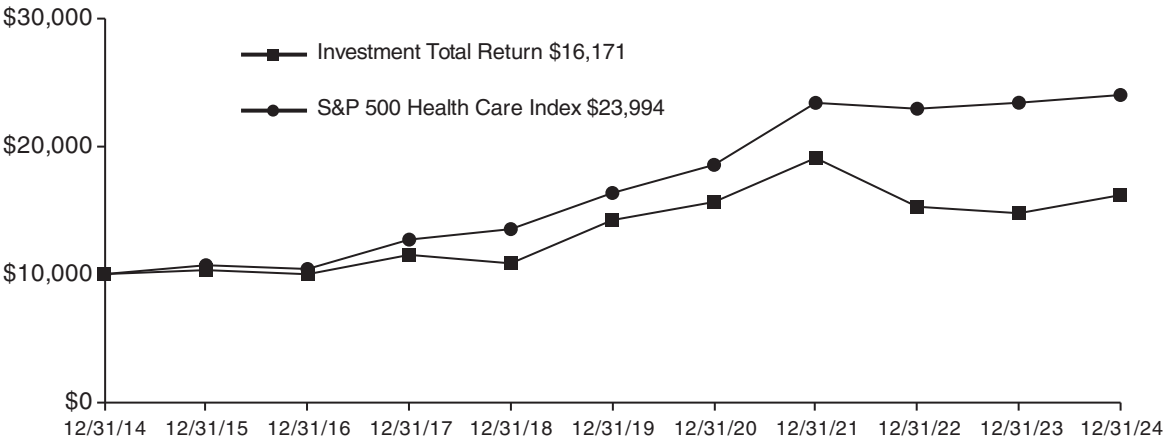
	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	15 Year	Since Inception (6/28/07)
<b>The Gabelli Healthcare &amp; Wellness<sup>Rx</sup> Trust (GRX)</b>						
NAV Total Return (b) . . . . .	(0.05)%	(5.93)%	1.80%	4.26%	8.95%	7.51%
Investment Total Return (c) . . . . .	9.60	(5.36)	2.61	4.92	9.17	6.82
S&P 500 Health Care Index . . . . .	2.58	0.87	7.99	9.14	12.45	10.25
S&P 500 Consumer Staples Index . . . . .	14.87	4.69	8.56	8.43	10.92	9.99
50% S&P 500 Health Care Index and 50% S&P 500 Consumer Staples Index . . . . .	8.73	2.78	8.28	8.79	11.69	10.12

- (a) Returns represent past performance and do not guarantee future results. Investment returns and the principal value of an investment will fluctuate. The Fund's use of leverage may magnify the volatility of net asset value changes versus funds that do not employ leverage. When shares are sold, they may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data presented. Visit [www.gabelli.com](http://www.gabelli.com) for performance information as of the most recent month end. The S&P 500 Health Care Index is an unmanaged indicator of health care equipment and services, pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, and life sciences stock performance. The S&P 500 Consumer Staples Index is an unmanaged indicator of food and staples retailing, food, beverage and tobacco, and household and personal products stock performance. Dividends are considered reinvested. You cannot invest directly in an index.
- (b) Total returns and average annual returns reflect changes in the NAV per share, reinvestment of distributions at NAV on the ex-dividend date, and adjustments for rights offerings and are net of expenses. Since inception return is based on an initial NAV of \$8.00.
- (c) Total returns and average annual returns reflect changes in closing market values on the NYSE, reinvestment of distributions, and adjustments for rights offerings. Since inception return is based on an initial offering price of \$8.00.

**Investors should carefully consider the investment objectives, risks, charges, and expenses of the Fund before investing.**

**COMPARISON OF CHANGE IN VALUE OF A \$10,000 INVESTMENT IN  
THE GABELLI HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS<sup>®</sup> TRUST (INVESTMENT TOTAL RETURN) and S&P 500  
HEALTH CARE INDEX (Unaudited)**

Average Annual Total Returns*			
	1 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Investment	9.60%	2.61%	4.92%



\* Past performance is not predictive of future results. The performance tables and graph do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the sale of Fund shares.

## Summary of Portfolio Holdings (Unaudited)

The following table presents portfolio holdings as a percent of total investments as of December 31, 2024:

### The Gabelli Healthcare & Wellness<sup>Rx</sup> Trust

Health Care Providers and Services .....	20.2%	Household and Personal Products.....	2.6%
Pharmaceuticals .....	19.2%	Beverages .....	2.4%
Health Care Equipment and Supplies .....	18.3%	Electronics.....	1.6%
Food.....	17.7%	Equipment and Supplies.....	0.9%
Food and Staples Retailing.....	7.7%	Specialty Chemicals.....	0.2%
U.S. Government Obligations.....	4.6%		<u>100.0%</u>
Biotechnology .....	4.6%		

The Fund files a complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-PORT. Shareholders may obtain this information at [www.gabelli.com](http://www.gabelli.com) or by calling the Fund at 800-GABELLI (800-422-3554). The Fund's Form N-PORT is available on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) and may also be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 800-SEC-0330.

### Proxy Voting

The Fund files Form N-PX with its complete proxy voting record for the twelve months ended June 30, no later than August 31 of each year. A description of the Fund's proxy voting policies, procedures, and how each Fund voted proxies relating to portfolio securities is available without charge, upon request, by (i) calling 800-GABELLI (800-422-3554); (ii) writing to The Gabelli Funds at One Corporate Center, Rye, NY 10580-1422; or (iii) visiting the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

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## Schedule of Investments — December 31, 2024

Shares		Cost	Market Value	Shares		Cost	Market Value
<b>COMMON STOCKS — 95.3%</b>				50,000	The Kraft Heinz Co. . . . .	\$ 1,937,377	\$ 1,535,500
<b>Beverages — 2.4%</b>				60,000	The Simply Good Foods Co.† . . . . .	2,169,159	2,338,800
50,000	China Mengniu Dairy Co. Ltd. . . . .	\$ 111,134	\$ 113,047	120,000	Tingyi (Cayman Islands) Holding Corp. . . . .	196,545	156,361
26,743	Danone SA . . . . .	1,503,013	1,803,937	20,000	TreeHouse Foods Inc.† . . . .	698,901	702,600
40,000	ITO EN Ltd. . . . .	954,106	899,679	50,000	Unilever plc, ADR . . . . .	1,908,990	2,835,000
13,500	Morinaga Milk Industry Co. Ltd. . . . .	116,957	251,176	30,000	WK Kellogg Co. . . . .	432,982	539,700
5,000	PepsiCo Inc. . . . .	423,099	760,300	116,000	Yakult Honsha Co. Ltd. . . . .	1,758,953	2,202,116
30,000	Suntory Beverage & Food Ltd. . . . .	1,001,275	955,798			27,899,649	39,898,657
424,000	Vitasoy International Holdings Ltd. . . . .	253,570	555,751	<b>Food and Staples Retailing — 7.7%</b>			
		4,363,154	5,339,688	100,000	BellRing Brands Inc.† . . . .	1,987,669	7,534,000
<b>Biotechnology — 4.5%</b>				50,000	CVS Health Corp. . . . .	1,633,853	2,244,500
12,000	Amgen Inc. . . . .	3,654,327	3,127,680	30,000	Ingles Markets Inc., Cl. A . . .	454,430	1,933,200
7,500	Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc., Cl. A† . . . . .	3,215,659	2,463,825	20,000	Sprouts Farmers Market Inc.† . . . . .	403,295	2,541,400
55,000	Bridgebio Pharma Inc.† . . .	1,372,782	1,509,200	50,000	The Kroger Co. . . . .	791,123	3,057,500
8,000	Charles River Laboratories International Inc.† . . . .	1,736,478	1,476,800	3,200	Walgreens Boots Alliance Inc. . . . .	28,080	29,856
3,600	Illumina Inc.† . . . . .	264,617	481,068			5,298,450	17,340,456
1,210	Regeneron Pharmaceuticals Inc.† . . . . .	531,046	861,919	<b>Health Care Equipment and Supplies — 18.3%</b>			
600	Waters Corp.† . . . . .	119,335	222,588	160,000	Bausch + Lomb Corp.† . . . .	2,806,902	2,889,600
		10,894,244	10,143,080	80,000	Baxter International Inc. . . .	3,641,799	2,332,800
<b>Electronics — 1.6%</b>				6,600	Becton Dickinson & Co. . . .	1,546,182	1,497,342
7,000	Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc. . . . .	850,312	3,641,610	5,740	Boston Scientific Corp.† . . .	32,808	512,697
<b>Equipment and Supplies — 0.9%</b>				45,000	DENTSPLY SIRONA Inc. . . .	1,744,728	854,100
150,000	Owens & Minor Inc.† . . . .	2,520,500	1,960,500	3,364	Gerresheimer AG. . . . .	143,086	247,407
<b>Food — 17.7%</b>				14,800	Globus Medical Inc., Cl. A†	546,198	1,224,108
5,000	Calavo Growers Inc. . . . .	174,530	127,500	53,000	Halozyme Therapeutics Inc.† . . . . .	2,473,203	2,533,930
15,000	Conagra Brands Inc. . . . .	422,042	416,250	45,000	Henry Schein Inc.† . . . . .	2,763,324	3,114,000
45,000	Flowers Foods Inc. . . . .	454,258	929,700	8,000	ICU Medical Inc.† . . . . .	1,677,213	1,241,360
5,000	General Mills Inc. . . . .	424,599	318,850	182,000	InfuSystem Holdings Inc.† . .	1,422,953	1,537,900
35,000	Kellanova . . . . .	1,825,480	2,833,950	20,000	Integer Holdings Corp.† . . .	653,300	2,650,400
33,500	Kerry Group plc, Cl. A . . . .	1,271,325	3,154,319	365	Intuitive Surgical Inc.† . . . .	139,539	190,515
352,000	Kikkoman Corp. . . . .	852,605	3,942,928	35,000	Lantheus Holdings Inc.† . . .	2,240,110	3,131,100
2,000	Lamb Weston Holdings Inc. . . .	129,614	133,660	23,000	Medtronic plc . . . . .	1,777,226	1,837,240
10,000	Maple Leaf Foods Inc. . . . .	169,092	141,501	3,000	Neogen Corp.† . . . . .	40,624	36,420
27,000	MEIJI Holdings Co. Ltd. . . .	273,500	549,283	10,000	NeoGenomics Inc.† . . . . .	151,693	164,800
35,000	Mondelēz International Inc., Cl. A . . . . .	1,474,378	2,090,550	19,400	QuidelOrtho Corp.† . . . . .	1,492,256	864,270
35,500	Nestlé SA . . . . .	2,664,803	2,929,029	13,000	Stryker Corp. . . . .	1,277,403	4,680,650
47,000	Nomad Foods Ltd. . . . .	871,047	788,660	27,000	SurModics Inc.† . . . . .	856,112	1,069,200
40,000	Post Holdings Inc.† . . . . .	1,092,790	4,578,400	43,000	The Cooper Companies Inc.† . . . . .	1,465,026	3,952,990
80,000	The Campbell's Company . .	3,699,590	3,350,400	70,000	Treace Medical Concepts Inc.† . . . . .	1,251,115	520,800
30,000	The J.M. Smucker Co. . . . .	2,997,089	3,303,600	49,163	Viemed Healthcare Inc.† . . .	389,281	394,287
				34,000	Zimmer Biomet Holdings Inc. . . . .	3,502,203	3,591,420
						34,034,284	41,069,336

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## Schedule of Investments (Continued) — December 31, 2024

Shares	Cost	Market Value	Shares	Cost	Market Value
<b>COMMON STOCKS (Continued)</b>					
<b>Health Care Providers and Services — 20.2%</b>					
155,000	Avantor Inc.† . . . . . \$ 3,500,629	\$ 3,265,850	192,500	Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., ADR† . . . \$ 3,221,078	\$ 4,242,700
4,275	BrightSpring Health Services Inc.† . . . . . 74,419	72,803	19,575	The Cigna Group . . . . . 2,803,123	5,405,440
18,560	Cencora Inc. . . . . 2,408,719	4,170,061	6,850	Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc.† . . . . . 1,563,464	2,758,495
5,283	Chemed Corp. . . . . 2,423,756	2,798,933	9,900	Zimvie Inc.† . . . . . 83,656	138,105
6,000	DaVita Inc.† . . . . . 342,090	897,300			<u>32,868,876</u>
11,000	Elevance Health Inc. . . . . 2,602,687	4,057,900			<u>43,124,739</u>
395	Eli Lilly & Co. . . . . 284,058	304,940	<b>Specialty Chemicals — 0.2%</b>		
1,500	Encompass Health Corp. . . . . 139,012	138,525	7,000	Sensient Technologies Corp. . . . . 508,539	498,820
238,000	Evolent Health Inc., Cl. A† . . . . . 3,593,714	2,677,500			
14,285	Fortrea Holdings Inc.† . . . . . 226,943	266,415		<b>TOTAL COMMON STOCKS .</b>	<u>152,655,485</u> <u>214,312,987</u>
1,845	Gilead Sciences Inc. . . . . 164,606	170,423	<b>PREFERRED STOCKS — 0.1%</b>		
1,800	GRAIL Inc.† . . . . . 25,672	32,130	<b>Biotechnology — 0.1%</b>		
11,500	HCA Healthcare Inc. . . . . 2,112,491	3,451,725	5,600	XOMA Royalty Corp., Ser. A, 8.625% . . . . . 115,560	144,928
9,500	Health Catalyst Inc.† . . . . . 75,464	67,165			
1,500	HealthEquity Inc.† . . . . . 123,495	143,925	<b>RIGHTS — 0.0%</b>		
3,000	Hims & Hers Health Inc.† . . . . . 97,621	72,540	<b>Health Care Providers and Services — 0.0%</b>		
1,100	Insmed Inc.† . . . . . 81,202	75,944	38,284	Chinook Therapeutics Inc., CVR† . . . . . 0	19,142
15,485	Labcorp Holdings Inc. . . . . 1,509,837	3,551,020			
6,185	McKesson Corp. . . . . 1,463,545	3,524,893	<b>Pharmaceuticals — 0.0%</b>		
350	Medpace Holdings Inc.† . . . . . 95,704	116,281	13,000	Paratek Pharmaceuticals Inc., CVR† . . . . . 0	260
525	Natera Inc.† . . . . . 86,953	83,107			
162,500	Option Care Health Inc.† . . . . . 1,533,661	3,770,000		<b>TOTAL RIGHTS . . . . .</b>	<u>0</u> <u>19,402</u>
11,500	Orthofix Medical Inc.† . . . . . 178,725	200,790	<b>WARRANTS — 0.0%</b>		
52,650	Tenet Healthcare Corp.† . . . . . 1,639,356	6,646,010	<b>Health Care Providers and Services — 0.0%</b>		
8,925	UnitedHealth Group Inc. . . . . 4,391,061	4,514,801	420	Option Care Health Inc., Cl. A, expire 06/30/25† . . . . . 384	393
10,000	Waystar Holding Corp.† . . . . . 257,061	367,000	420	Option Care Health Inc., Cl. B, expire 06/20/25† . . . . . 363	118
					<u>747</u> <u>511</u>
	<u>29,432,481</u>	<u>45,437,981</u>			
<b>Household and Personal Products — 2.6%</b>					
12,000	Church & Dwight Co. Inc. . . . . 774,331	1,256,520			
10,000	Colgate-Palmolive Co. . . . . 646,459	909,100			
60,000	Edgewell Personal Care Co. . . . . 1,794,131	2,016,000			
10,000	The Procter & Gamble Co., CDI . . . . . 770,075	1,676,500			
	<u>3,984,996</u>	<u>5,858,120</u>			
<b>Pharmaceuticals — 19.2%</b>					
21,500	Abbott Laboratories . . . . . 976,412	2,431,865			
40,000	AbbVie Inc. . . . . 4,252,937	7,108,000			
25,000	Achaogen Inc.†(a) . . . . . 360	0			
32,300	AstraZeneca plc, ADR . . . . . 1,755,757	2,116,296			
18,000	Bausch Health Cos. Inc.† . . . . . 143,699	145,080			
49,000	Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. . . . . 2,158,351	2,771,440			
65,000	Elanco Animal Health Inc.† . . . . . 1,771,613	787,150			
41,400	Johnson & Johnson . . . . . 5,206,950	5,987,268			
47,600	Merck & Co. Inc. . . . . 3,859,980	4,735,248			
58,000	Perrigo Co. plc . . . . . 2,032,946	1,491,180			
103,200	Pfizer Inc. . . . . 2,879,610	2,737,896			
7,700	Roche Holding AG, ADR . . . . . 158,940	268,576			

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## Schedule of Investments (Continued) — December 31, 2024

Principal Amount	Cost	Market Value
<b>U.S. GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS — 4.6%</b>		
\$ 10,548,000 U.S. Treasury Bills, 4.235% to 4.574%††, 01/16/25 to 03/27/25 . . .	\$ 10,478,647	\$ 10,481,394
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS — 100.0%</b> . . . . .	<u>\$ 163,250,439</u>	224,959,222
<b>Other Assets and Liabilities (Net)</b> . . . . .		(62,435)
<b>PREFERRED SHAREHOLDERS</b>		
(5,403,500 preferred shares outstanding) . . . . .		<u>(54,035,000)</u>
<b>NET ASSETS — COMMON SHAREHOLDERS</b>		
(15,523,826 common shares outstanding) . . . . .		<u>\$ 170,861,787</u>
<b>NET ASSET VALUE PER COMMON SHARE</b>		
(\$170,861,787 ÷ 15,523,826 shares outstanding) . . . . .		<u>\$ 11.01</u>

(a) Security is valued using significant unobservable inputs and is classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.

† Non-income producing security.

†† Represents annualized yields at dates of purchase.

ADR American Depositary Receipt

CDI CHESS (Australia) Depository Interest

CVR Contingent Value Right

<b>Geographic Diversification</b>	<b>% of Total Investments</b>	<b>Market Value</b>
North America . . . . .	86.1%	\$ 193,618,740
Europe . . . . .	9.6	21,714,343
Japan . . . . .	3.9	8,800,980
Asia/Pacific . . . . .	0.4	825,159
Total Investments . . . . .	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>\$ 224,959,222</u>

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## Statement of Assets and Liabilities

December 31, 2024

<b>Assets:</b>	
Investments, at value (cost \$163,250,439) . . . . .	\$ 224,959,222
Dividends receivable . . . . .	423,685
Deferred offering expense . . . . .	324,279
Prepaid expenses . . . . .	7,077
<b>Total Assets</b> . . . . .	<u>225,714,263</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Payable to bank . . . . .	10,103
Distributions payable . . . . .	39,025
Payable for investments purchased . . . . .	144,003
Payable for investment advisory fees . . . . .	196,477
Payable for payroll expenses . . . . .	78,256
Payable for offering costs . . . . .	49,468
Payable for accounting fees . . . . .	3,750
Payable for preferred offering expenses . . . . .	107,528
Series E Cumulative Preferred Shares, callable and mandatory redemption 12/26/25 (See Notes 2 and 7) . . . . .	30,365,000
Series G Cumulative Preferred Shares, callable and mandatory redemption 06/26/25 (See Notes 2 and 7) . . . . .	23,670,000
Other accrued expenses . . . . .	188,866
<b>Total Liabilities</b> . . . . .	<u>54,852,476</u>
<b>Net Assets Attributable to Common Shareholders</b>	
<b>Shareholders</b> . . . . .	<u>\$ 170,861,787</u>
<b>Net Assets Attributable to Common Shareholders Consist of:</b>	
Paid-in capital . . . . .	\$ 110,015,279
Total distributable earnings . . . . .	60,846,508
<b>Net Assets</b> . . . . .	<u>\$ 170,861,787</u>
<b>Net Asset Value per Common Share:</b>	
(\$170,861,787 ÷ 15,523,826 shares outstanding at \$0.001 par value; unlimited number of shares authorized) . . . . .	<u>\$ 11.01</u>

## Statement of Operations

For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

<b>Investment Income:</b>	
Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$69,119) . . . . .	\$ 3,440,946
Interest . . . . .	380,968
<b>Total Investment Income</b> . . . . .	<u>3,821,914</u>
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Investment advisory fees . . . . .	2,441,779
Interest expense on preferred shares . . . . .	2,915,141
Payroll expenses . . . . .	130,151
Shareholder communications expenses . . . . .	129,222
Legal and audit fees . . . . .	114,338
Shareholder services fees . . . . .	81,250
Trustees' fees . . . . .	65,263
Accounting fees . . . . .	45,000
Offering expense for issuance of preferred shares . . . . .	23,874
Custodian fees . . . . .	14,615
Interest expense . . . . .	1,429
Miscellaneous expenses . . . . .	27,842
<b>Total Expenses</b> . . . . .	<u>5,989,904</u>
Less:	
Expenses paid indirectly by broker (See Note 5) . . . . .	(3,645)
<b>Net Expenses</b> . . . . .	<u>5,986,259</u>
<b>Net Investment Loss</b> . . . . .	<u>(2,164,345)</u>
<b>Net Realized and Unrealized Gain/(Loss) on Investments and Foreign Currency:</b>	
Net realized gain on investments . . . . .	11,244,419
Net realized loss on foreign currency transactions . . . . .	(8,910)
Net realized gain on investments and foreign currency transactions . . . . .	<u>11,235,509</u>
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation: on investments . . . . .	(9,337,412)
on foreign currency translations . . . . .	(18,753)
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation on investments and foreign currency translations . . . . .	<u>(9,356,165)</u>
<b>Net Realized and Unrealized Gain/(Loss) on Investments and Foreign Currency</b> . . . . .	<u>1,879,344</u>
<b>Net Decrease in Net Assets Attributable to Common Shareholders Resulting from Operations</b> . . . . .	
	<u>\$ (285,001)</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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## Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Common Shareholders

	Year Ended December 31, 2024	Year Ended December 31, 2023
<b>Operations:</b>		
Net investment loss . . . . .	\$ (2,164,345)	\$ (2,167,856)
Net realized gain on investments and foreign currency transactions . . . . .	11,235,509	11,676,648
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation on investments and foreign currency translations . . . . .	<u>(9,356,165)</u>	<u>(9,085,990)</u>
<b>Net Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets Attributable to Common Shareholders Resulting from Operations . . . . .</b>	<u>(285,001)</u>	<u>422,802</u>
<b>Distributions to Common Shareholders:</b>		
Accumulated earnings . . . . .	(9,373,380)	(9,537,495)
Return of capital . . . . .	<u>—</u>	<u>(409,628)</u>
<b>Total Distributions to Common Shareholders . . . . .</b>	<u>(9,373,380)</u>	<u>(9,947,123)</u>
<b>Fund Share Transactions:</b>		
Net decrease from repurchase of common shares . . . . .	(4,289,805)	(10,118,752)
Offering costs for preferred shares charged to paid-in capital . . . . .	<u>—</u>	<u>(200,000)</u>
<b>Net Decrease in Net Assets from Fund Share Transactions . . . . .</b>	<u>(4,289,805)</u>	<u>(10,318,752)</u>
<b>Net Decrease in Net Assets Attributable to Common Shareholders . . . . .</b>	<u>(13,948,186)</u>	<u>(19,843,073)</u>
<b>Net Assets Attributable to Common Shareholders:</b>		
Beginning of year . . . . .	184,809,973	204,653,046
End of year . . . . .	<u>\$ 170,861,787</u>	<u>\$ 184,809,973</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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## Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Net decrease in net assets attributable to common shareholders resulting from operations . . . . . \$ (285,001)

### Adjustments to Reconcile Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations to Net Cash from Operating Activities:

Purchase of long term investment securities . . . . .	(43,750,169)
Proceeds from sales of long term investment securities.. . . .	62,085,356
Net purchases of short term investment securities . . . . .	(2,898,775)
Net realized gain on investments . . . . .	(11,244,419)
Net change in unrealized depreciation on investments . . . . .	9,337,412
Net amortization of discount . . . . .	(381,436)
Decrease in receivable for investments sold. . . . .	336,120
Decrease in dividends receivable . . . . .	12,445
Increase in deferred offering expense . . . . .	(168,804)
Increase in prepaid expenses . . . . .	(607)
Increase in payable for investments purchased . . . . .	144,003
Increase in payable for offering costs. . . . .	6,875
Decrease in payable for investment advisory fees . . . . .	(11,635)
Decrease in payable for payroll expenses . . . . .	(7,078)
Decrease in other accrued expenses. . . . .	(63,651)
Net cash provided by operating activities . . . . .	<u>13,110,636</u>

### Net decrease in net assets resulting from financing activities:

Redemption of Series E 5.200% Cumulative Preferred Stock . . . . .	(9,635,000)
Issuance of Series G 5.200% Cumulative Preferred Stock . . . . .	10,350,000
Offering costs for preferred shares charged to paid-in capital . . . . .	(1,954)
Distributions to common shareholders . . . . .	(9,366,197)
Repurchase of common shares. . . . .	(4,469,572)
Increase in payable to bank. . . . .	10,103
Net cash used in financing activities . . . . .	<u>(13,112,620)</u>
Net decrease in cash . . . . .	<u>(1,984)</u>

### Cash :

Beginning of year . . . . .	1,984
End of year. . . . .	<u>\$ —</u>

### Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information and non-cash activities:

Interest paid on preferred shares. . . . .	\$ 2,915,141
Interest paid on bank overdrafts . . . . .	1,429

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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## Financial Highlights

Selected data for a common share of beneficial interest outstanding throughout each year:

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
<b>Operating Performance:</b>					
Net asset value, beginning of year . . . . .	\$ 11.58	\$ 12.01	\$ 15.36	\$ 13.81	\$ 13.10
Net investment loss . . . . .	(0.14)	(0.14)	(0.17)	(0.13)	(0.00)(a)
Net realized and unrealized gain/(loss) on investments and foreign currency transactions . . . . .	0.12	0.22	(2.59)	2.61	1.38
Total from investment operations . . . . .	(0.02)	0.08	(2.76)	2.48	1.38
<b>Distributions to Preferred Shareholders: (b)</b>					
Net investment income . . . . .	—	—	—	—	(0.00)(a)
Net realized gain . . . . .	—	—	—	—	(0.14)
Total distributions to preferred shareholders . . . . .	—	—	—	—	(0.14)
<b>Net Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets Attributable to Common Shareholders Resulting from Operations . . . . .</b>					
	(0.02)	0.08	(2.76)	2.48	1.24
<b>Distributions to Common Shareholders:</b>					
Net investment income . . . . .	(0.60)	(0.04)	(0.02)	—	(0.01)
Net realized gain . . . . .	—	(0.54)	(0.57)	(0.96)	(0.57)
Return of capital . . . . .	—	(0.02)	(0.01)	—	—
Total distributions to common shareholders . . . . .	(0.60)	(0.60)	(0.60)	(0.96)	(0.58)
<b>Fund Share Transactions:</b>					
Increase in net asset value from repurchase of common shares . . .	0.05	0.10	0.01	0.03	0.06
Offering costs for preferred shares charged to paid-in capital . . . .	—	(0.01)	—	—	—
Offering costs and adjustment to offering costs for common shares charged to paid-in capital . . . . .	—	—	—	(0.00)(a)	(0.01)
Total Fund share transactions . . . . .	0.05	0.09	0.01	0.03	0.05
<b>Net Asset Value Attributable to Common Shareholders, End of Year . . . . .</b>					
	\$ 11.01	\$ 11.58	\$ 12.01	\$ 15.36	\$ 13.81
NAV total return † . . . . .	(0.05)%	1.56%	(17.98)%	18.47%	10.82%
Market value, end of year . . . . .	\$ 9.64	\$ 9.33	\$ 10.28	\$ 13.57	\$ 11.95
Investment total return †† . . . . .	9.60%	(3.36)%	(19.96)%	22.04%	9.94%
<b>Ratios to Average Net Assets and Supplemental Data:</b>					
Net assets including liquidation value of preferred shares, end of year (in 000's) . . . . .	\$ 224,897	\$ 238,130	\$ 244,653	\$ 343,952	\$ 282,174
Net assets attributable to common shares, end of year (in 000's) . .	\$ 170,862	\$ 184,810	\$ 204,653	\$ 263,952	\$ 242,174
Ratio of net investment loss to average net assets attributable to common shares before preferred share distributions . . . . .	(1.16)%	(1.12)%	(1.29)%	(0.86)%	(0.02)%
Ratio of operating expenses to average net assets attributable to common shares (c)(d) . . . . .	3.21%	3.18%	3.11%	2.24%	1.60%
Portfolio turnover rate . . . . .	19%	21%	14%	29%	15%

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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## Financial Highlights (Continued)

Selected data for a common share of beneficial interest outstanding throughout each year:

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
<b>Cumulative Preferred Shareholders:</b>					
<b>4.000% Series C Preferred(e)</b>					
Liquidation value, end of year (in 000's) . . . . .	—	—	—	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
Total shares outstanding (in 000's) . . . . .	—	—	—	2,000	2,000
Liquidation preference per share . . . . .	—	—	—	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Average market value (f) . . . . .	—	—	—	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Asset coverage per share (g) . . . . .	—	—	—	\$ 85.99	\$ 141.08
<b>5.200% Series E Preferred</b>					
Liquidation value, end of year (in 000's) . . . . .	\$ 30,365	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	—
Total shares outstanding (in 000's) . . . . .	3,037	4,000	4,000	4,000	—
Liquidation preference per share . . . . .	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	—
Average market value (f) . . . . .	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	—
Asset coverage per share (g) . . . . .	\$ 41.62	\$ 44.66	\$ 61.16	\$ 42.99	—
<b>5.200% Series G Preferred</b>					
Liquidation value, end of year (in 000's) . . . . .	\$ 23,670	\$ 13,320	—	—	—
Total shares outstanding (in 000's) . . . . .	2,367	1,332	—	—	—
Liquidation preference per share . . . . .	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	—	—	—
Average market value (f) . . . . .	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	—	—	—
Asset coverage per share (g) . . . . .	\$ 41.62	\$ 44.66	—	—	—
<b>Asset Coverage (h)</b> . . . . .	416%	447%	612%	430%	705%

- † Based on net asset value per share, adjusted for reinvestment of distributions at the net asset value per share on ex-dividend dates including the effect of shares issued pursuant to the rights offerings, assuming full subscription by shareholders.
- †† Based on market value per share, adjusted for reinvestment of distributions at prices determined under the Fund's dividend reinvestment plan including the effect of shares issued pursuant to the rights offerings, assuming full subscription by shareholders.
- (a) Amount represents less than \$0.005 per share.
- (b) Calculated based on average common shares outstanding on the record dates throughout the years.
- (c) The Fund received credits from a designated broker who agreed to pay certain Fund operating expenses. For all years presented, there was no material impact on the expense ratios.
- (d) Ratio of operating expenses to average net assets including liquidation value of preferred shares for the years ended December 31, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, and 2020 would have been 2.46%, 2.40%, 2.29%, 1.88%, and 1.33%, respectively.
- (e) The Fund redeemed and retired all of the 2,000,000 Shares of Series C Preferred on December 26, 2022.
- (f) Based on weekly prices.
- (g) Asset coverage per share is calculated by combining all series of preferred shares.
- (h) Asset coverage is calculated by combining all series of preferred shares.

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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### Notes to Financial Statements

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**1. Organization.** The Gabelli Healthcare & Wellness<sup>Rx</sup> Trust (the Fund) was organized on February 20, 2007 as a Delaware statutory trust. The Fund is a diversified closed-end management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act). The Fund commenced investment operations on June 28, 2007.

The Fund's investment objective is long term growth of capital. The Fund will invest at least 80% of its assets, under normal market conditions, in equity securities and income producing securities of domestic and foreign companies in the healthcare and wellness industries. As a result, the Fund may be more susceptible to economic, political, and regulatory developments in this particular sector of the market, positive or negative, and may experience increased volatility to the Fund's NAV and a magnified effect in its total return.

Gabelli Funds, LLC (the Adviser), with its principal offices located at One Corporate Center, Rye, New York 10580-1422, serves as investment adviser to the Fund. The Adviser makes investment decisions for the Fund and continuously reviews and administers the Fund's investment program and manages the operations of the Fund under the general supervision of the Fund's Board of Trustees (the Board).

**2. Significant Accounting Policies.** As an investment company, the Fund follows the investment company accounting and reporting guidance, which is part of U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) that may require the use of management estimates and assumptions in the preparation of its financial statements. The Board has designated the Adviser as the valuation designee under Rule 2a-5. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Fund in the preparation of its financial statements.

**Security Valuation.** Portfolio securities listed or traded on a nationally recognized securities exchange or traded in the U.S. over-the-counter market for which market quotations are readily available are valued at the last quoted sale price or a market's official closing price as of the close of business on the day the securities are being valued. If there were no sales that day, the security is valued at the average of the closing bid and asked prices or, if there were no asked prices quoted on that day, then the security is valued at the closing bid price on that day. If no bid or asked prices are quoted on such day, the security is valued at the most recently available price or, if the Board so determines, by such other method as the Board shall determine in good faith to reflect its fair market value. Portfolio securities traded on more than one national securities exchange or market are valued according to the broadest and most representative market, as determined by the Adviser.

Portfolio securities primarily traded on a foreign market are generally valued at the preceding closing values of such securities on the relevant market, but may be fair valued pursuant to procedures established by the Board if market conditions change significantly after the close of the foreign market, but prior to the close of business on the day the securities are being valued. Debt obligations for which market quotations are readily available are valued at the average of the latest bid and asked prices. If there were no asked prices quoted on such day, the securities are valued using the closing bid price, unless the Board determines such amount does not reflect the security's fair value, in which case these securities will be fair valued as determined by the Board. Certain securities are valued principally using dealer quotations. Futures contracts are valued at the closing settlement price of the exchange or board of trade on which the applicable contract is traded. OTC futures and options on futures for which market quotations are readily available will be valued by quotations received from a pricing service or, if no quotations are available from a pricing service, by quotations obtained from one or more dealers in the instrument in question by the Adviser.

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Securities and assets for which market quotations are not readily available are fair valued as determined by the Board. Fair valuation methodologies and procedures may include, but are not limited to: analysis and review of available financial and non-financial information about the company; comparisons with the valuation and changes in valuation of similar securities, including a comparison of foreign securities with the equivalent U.S. dollar value American Depositary Receipt securities at the close of the U.S. exchange; and evaluation of any other information that could be indicative of the value of the security.

The inputs and valuation techniques used to measure fair value of the Fund's investments are summarized into three levels as described in the hierarchy below:

- Level 1 — unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical securities;
- Level 2 — other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.); and
- Level 3 — significant unobservable inputs (including the Board's determinations as to the fair value of investments).

A financial instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input both individually and in the aggregate that is significant to the fair value measurement. The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. The summary of the Fund's investments in securities by inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of December 31, 2024 is as follows:

	Valuation Inputs			
	Level 1 Quoted Prices	Level 2 Other Significant Observable Inputs	Level 3 Significant Unobservable Inputs (a)	Total Market Value at 12/31/24
INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES:				
ASSETS (Market Value):				
Common Stocks:				
Pharmaceuticals	\$ 43,124,739	—	\$ 0	\$ 43,124,739
Other Industries (b)	171,188,248	—	—	171,188,248
Total Common Stocks	214,312,987	—	0	214,312,987
Preferred Stocks (b)	144,928	—	—	144,928
Rights (b)	—	\$ 19,402	—	19,402
Warrants (b)	—	511	—	511
U.S. Government Obligations	—	10,481,394	—	10,481,394
TOTAL INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES – ASSETS	\$ 214,457,915	\$ 10,501,307	\$ 0	\$ 224,959,222

(a) The inputs for this security are not readily available and are derived based on the judgment of the Adviser according to procedures approved by the Board.

(b) Please refer to the Schedule of Investments for the industry classifications of these portfolio holdings.



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**General.** The Fund uses recognized industry pricing services – approved by the Board and unaffiliated with the Adviser – to value most of its securities, and uses broker quotes provided by market makers of securities not valued by these and other recognized pricing sources. Several different pricing feeds are received to value domestic equity securities, international equity securities, preferred equity securities, and fixed income securities. The data within these feeds are ultimately sourced from major stock exchanges and trading systems where these securities trade. The prices supplied by external sources are checked by obtaining quotations or actual transaction prices from market participants. If a price obtained from the pricing source is deemed unreliable, prices will be sought from another pricing service or from a broker/dealer that trades that security or similar securities.

**Fair Valuation.** Fair valued securities may be common or preferred equities, warrants, options, rights, or fixed income obligations. Where appropriate, Level 3 securities are those for which market quotations are not available, such as securities not traded for several days, or for which current bids are not available, or which are restricted as to transfer. When fair valuing a security, factors to consider include recent prices of comparable securities that are publicly traded, reliable prices of securities not publicly traded, the use of valuation models, current analyst reports, valuing the income or cash flow of the issuer, or cost if the preceding factors do not apply. A significant change in the unobservable inputs could result in a lower or higher value in Level 3 securities. The circumstances of Level 3 securities are frequently monitored to determine if fair valuation measures continue to apply.

The Adviser reports quarterly to the Board the results of the application of fair valuation policies and procedures. These may include backtesting the prices realized in subsequent trades of these fair valued securities to fair values previously recognized.

**Series E and Series G Cumulative Preferred Stock.** For financial reporting purposes only, the liquidation value of preferred stock that has a mandatory redemption date is classified as a liability within the Statement of Assets and Liabilities and the dividends paid on this preferred stock are included as a component of “Interest expense on preferred stock” within the Statement of Operations. Offering costs are amortized over the life of the preferred stock.

**Investments in Other Investment Companies.** The Fund may invest, from time to time, in shares of other investment companies (or entities that would be considered investment companies but are excluded from the definition pursuant to certain exceptions under the 1940 Act) (the Acquired Funds) in accordance with the 1940 Act and related rules. Shareholders in the Fund would bear the pro rata portion of the periodic expenses of the Acquired Funds in addition to the Fund’s expenses.

**Foreign Currency Translations.** The books and records of the Fund are maintained in U.S. dollars. Foreign currencies, investments, and other assets and liabilities are translated into U.S. dollars at current exchange rates. Purchases and sales of investment securities, income, and expenses are translated at the exchange rate prevailing on the respective dates of such transactions. Unrealized gains and losses that result from changes in foreign exchange rates and/or changes in market prices of securities have been included in unrealized appreciation/depreciation on investments and foreign currency translations. Net realized foreign currency gains and losses resulting from changes in exchange rates include foreign currency gains and losses between trade date and settlement date on investment securities transactions, foreign currency transactions, and the difference

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between the amounts of interest and dividends recorded on the books of the Fund and the amounts actually received. The portion of foreign currency gains and losses related to fluctuation in exchange rates between the initial purchase trade date and subsequent sale trade date is included in realized gain/(loss) on investments.

**Foreign Securities.** The Fund may directly purchase securities of foreign issuers. Investing in securities of foreign issuers involves special risks not typically associated with investing in securities of U.S. issuers. The risks include possible revaluation of currencies, the inability to repatriate funds, less complete financial information about companies, and possible future adverse political and economic developments. Moreover, securities of many foreign issuers and their markets may be less liquid and their prices more volatile than securities of comparable U.S. issuers.

**Foreign Taxes.** The Fund may be subject to foreign taxes on income, gains on investments, or currency repatriation, a portion of which may be recoverable. The Fund will accrue such taxes and recoveries as applicable, based upon its current interpretation of tax rules and regulations that exist in the markets in which it invests.

**Securities Transactions and Investment Income.** Securities transactions are accounted for on the trade date with realized gain/(loss) on investments determined by using the identified cost method. Interest income (including amortization of premium and accretion of discount) is recorded on an accrual basis. Premiums and discounts on debt securities are amortized using the effective yield to maturity method or amortized to earliest call date, if applicable. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date, except for certain dividends from foreign securities that are recorded as soon after the ex-dividend date as the Fund becomes aware of such dividends.

**Custodian Fee Credits and Interest Expense.** When cash balances are maintained in the custody account, the Fund receives credits which are used to offset custodian fees. The gross expenses paid under the custody arrangement are included in custodian fees in the Statement of Operations with the corresponding expense offset, if any, shown as "Custodian fee credits." When cash balances are overdrawn, the Fund is charged an overdraft fee of 110% of the 90 day U.S. Treasury Bill rate on outstanding balances. This amount, if any, would be included in the Statement of Operations.

**Distributions to Stockholders.** Distributions to common shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Distributions to shareholders are based on income and capital gains as determined in accordance with federal income tax regulations, which may differ from income and capital gains as determined under GAAP. These differences are primarily due to differing treatments of income and gains on various investment securities and foreign currency transactions held by the Fund, timing differences, and differing characterizations of distributions made by the Fund. Distributions from net investment income for federal income tax purposes include net realized gains on foreign currency transactions. These book/tax differences are either temporary or permanent in nature. To the extent these differences are permanent, adjustments are made to the appropriate capital accounts in the period when the differences arise. Permanent differences were primarily due to the tax treatment of currency gains and losses and disallowed expenses. These reclassifications have no impact on the NAV of the Fund. For the year ended December 31, 2024, reclassifications were made to decrease paid-in capital by \$35,626, with an offsetting adjustment to total distributable earnings.

Distributions to shareholders of the Fund's Series E Cumulative Preferred Shares and Series G Cumulative Preferred Shares (Series E Preferred and Series G Preferred) are recorded on a daily basis and are determined as described in Note 6.

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The Fund declares and pays quarterly distributions from net investment income, capital gains, and paid-in capital. The actual source of the distribution is determined after the end of the year. Distributions during the year may be made in excess of required distributions. To the extent such distributions are made from current earnings and profits, they are considered ordinary income or long term capital gains. Distributions sourced from paid-in capital should not be considered as dividend yield or the total return from an investment in the Fund. The Board will continue to monitor the Fund's distribution level, taking into consideration the Fund's NAV and the financial market environment. The Fund's distribution policy is subject to modification by the Board at any time.

The tax character of distributions paid during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 was as follows:

	Year Ended December 31, 2024	Year Ended December 31, 2023
	<u>Common</u>	<u>Common</u>
<b>Distributions paid from:</b>		
Ordinary income . . . . .	\$ 1,945,263	\$ 651,310
Net long term capital gains . . . . .	7,428,117	8,886,185
Return of capital . . . . .	—	409,628
Total distributions paid . . . . .	<u>\$ 9,373,380</u>	<u>\$ 9,947,123</u>

**Provision for Income Taxes.** The Fund intends to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code). It is the policy of the Fund to comply with the requirements of the Code applicable to regulated investment companies and to distribute substantially all of its net investment company taxable income and net capital gains. Therefore, no provision for federal income taxes is required.

At December 31, 2024, the components of accumulated earnings/losses on a tax basis were as follows:

Undistributed long term capital gains . . . . .	\$ 44,275
Net unrealized appreciation on investments and foreign currency translations. . .	60,841,258
Other temporary differences* . . . . .	<u>(39,025)</u>
Total . . . . .	<u>\$ 60,846,508</u>

\* Other temporary differences are due to preferred share class distributions payable.

At December 31, 2024, the temporary differences between book basis and tax basis net unrealized appreciation on investments were primarily due to deferral of losses on wash sales for tax purposes.

The following summarizes the tax cost of investments and the related net unrealized appreciation at December 31, 2024:

	Cost	Gross Unrealized Appreciation	Gross Unrealized Depreciation	Net Unrealized Appreciation
Investments . . . . .	<u>\$164,119,316</u>	<u>\$74,000,793</u>	<u>\$(13,160,887)</u>	<u>\$60,839,906</u>

The Fund is required to evaluate tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the course of preparing the Fund's tax returns to determine whether the tax positions are "more-likely-than-not" of being sustained by the

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applicable tax authority. Income tax and related interest and penalties would be recognized by the Fund as tax expense in the Statement of Operations if the tax positions were deemed not to meet the more-likely-than-not threshold. As of December 31, 2024, the Adviser has reviewed all open tax years and concluded that there was no impact to the Fund's net assets or results of operations. The Fund's federal and state tax returns for the prior three fiscal years remain open, subject to examination. On an ongoing basis, the Adviser will monitor the Fund's tax positions to determine if adjustments to this conclusion are necessary.

**3. Investment Advisory Agreement and Other Transactions.** The Fund has entered into an investment advisory agreement (the Advisory Agreement) with the Adviser which provides that the Fund will pay the Adviser a fee, computed weekly and paid monthly, equal on an annual basis to 1.00% of the value of the Fund's average weekly net assets including the liquidation value of preferred shares. In accordance with the Advisory Agreement, the Adviser provides a continuous investment program for the Fund's portfolio and oversees the administration of all aspects of the Fund's business and affairs.

**4. Portfolio Securities.** Purchases and sales of securities during the year ended December 31, 2024, other than short term securities and U.S. Government obligations, aggregated to \$43,812,989 and \$62,108,148, respectively. Purchases and sales of U.S. Government obligations for the year ended December 31, 2024, aggregated \$67,263,100 and \$64,364,324, respectively.

**5. Transactions with Affiliates and Other Arrangements.** During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund paid \$3,032 in brokerage commissions on security trades to G.research, LLC, an affiliate of the Adviser.

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund received credits from a designated broker who agreed to pay certain Fund operating expenses. The amount of such expenses paid through this directed brokerage arrangement during this period was \$3,645.

The cost of calculating the Fund's NAV per share is a Fund expense pursuant to the Advisory Agreement. Under the sub-administration agreement with Bank of New York, the fees paid include the cost of calculating the Fund's NAV. The Fund reimburses the Adviser for this service. During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund accrued \$45,000 in accounting fees in the Statement of Operations.

As per the approval of the Board, the Fund compensates officers of the Fund, who are employed by the Fund and are not employed by the Adviser (although the officers may receive incentive based variable compensation from affiliates of the Adviser). During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund accrued \$130,151 in payroll expenses in the Statement of Operations.

The Fund pays retainer and per meeting fees to Independent Trustees and certain Interested Trustees, plus specified amounts to the Lead Trustee, Audit Committee Chairman, and Nominating Committee Chairman. Trustees are also reimbursed for out of pocket expenses incurred in attending meetings. Trustees who are directors or employees of the Adviser or an affiliated company receive no compensation or expense reimbursement from the Fund.

**6. Line of Credit.** The Fund participates in an unsecured and uncommitted line of credit, which expires on June 25, 2025 and may be renewed annually, of up to \$75,000,000 under which it may borrow up to one-third of its net assets from the bank for temporary borrowing purposes. Borrowings under this arrangement bear interest at a floating rate equal to the higher of the Overnight Federal Funds Rate plus 135 basis points or the Overnight

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Bank Funding Rate plus 135 basis points in effect on that day. This amount, if any, would be included in “Interest expense” in the Statement of Operations.

**7. Capital.** The Fund is authorized to issue an unlimited number of shares of beneficial interest (par value \$0.001). The Board has authorized the repurchase of its shares on the open market when the shares are trading on the NYSE at a discount of 10% or more (or such other percentage as the Board may determine from time to time) from the NAV of the shares. During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Fund repurchased and retired 432,452 and 1,081,299 common shares in the open market at investments of \$4,289,805 and \$10,118,752, respectively, at average discounts of approximately 17.03% and 18.00% from its NAV.

Transactions in shares of beneficial interest were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31, 2024		Year Ended December 31, 2023	
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount
Net decrease from repurchase of common shares . . . . .	(432,452)	\$ (4,289,805)	(1,081,299)	\$ (10,118,752)

The Fund’s Declaration of Trust, as amended, authorizes the issuance of an unlimited number of shares of \$0.001 par value Preferred Shares. The Preferred Shares are senior to the common shares and result in the financial leveraging of the common shares. Such leveraging tends to magnify both the risks and opportunities to common shareholders. Dividends on Preferred Shares are cumulative. The Fund is required by the 1940 Act and by the Statement of Preferences to meet certain asset coverage tests with respect to the Preferred Shares. If the Fund fails to meet these requirements and does not correct such failure, the Fund may be required to redeem, in part or in full, the Preferred Shares at their liquidation preference plus an amount equal to the accumulated and unpaid dividends whether or not declared on such shares in order to meet these requirements. Additionally, failure to meet the foregoing asset coverage requirements could restrict the Fund’s ability to pay dividends to common shareholders and could lead to sales of portfolio securities at inopportune times. The income received on the Fund’s assets may vary in a manner unrelated to the fixed rates, which could have either a beneficial or detrimental impact on net investment income and gains available to common shareholders.

As of December 31, 2024 the Fund had an effective shelf registration authorizing the issuance of \$200 million in common or preferred shares.

On December 18, 2020, the Fund issued 2,000,000 shares of Series C 4.00% Cumulative Preferred Shares receiving \$39,841,048 after the deduction of offering expenses of \$158,952. The Series C Preferred had a liquidation value of \$20 per share, an annual dividend rate of 4.00%, and was subject to mandatory redemption by the Fund on December 18, 2024.

On December 26, 2022, 2,000,000 Shares of the Series C were put back to the Fund at their liquidation preference of \$20 per share plus accrued and unpaid dividends.

On October 15, 2021, the Fund issued 4,000,000 shares of Series E 5.20% Cumulative Preferred Shares receiving \$39,875,000 after the deduction of actual offering expenses of \$100,000. On January 6, 2024, February 29, 2024, and June 26, 2024, the Fund issued 100,000 shares, 810,000 shares, and 200,000 shares of Series G Preferred, respectively, receiving \$990,000, \$8,080,000, and \$1,990,000, respectively, after deduction of

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estimated offering expenses. The Series E Preferred has a liquidation value of \$10 per share and had an annual dividend rate of 4.00%. Effective February 12, 2024, the dividend rate on Series E Preferred shares increased to 5.20%. The Series E Preferred Shares are callable at the Fund's option at any time commencing on December 26, 2024. The Series E Preferred Shares were puttable on June 26, 2024. The Board approved December 26, 2024 and June 26, 2025 as additional put dates for the Series E Preferred. The Series E Preferred is subject to mandatory redemption by the Fund on December 26, 2025. On June 26, 2024, 963,500 Series E Preferred were put back to the Fund at their liquidation preference of \$10 per share. At December 31, 2024, 3,036,500 shares of Series E Preferred were outstanding and accrued dividends amounted to \$21,930.

On January 18, 2023, and February 1, 2023, the Fund issued 2,100,000 shares and 295,500 shares, respectively, of Series G 5.20% Cumulative Preferred Shares receiving \$23,755,000 after the deduction of actual offering expenses of \$200,000. On January 8, 2024, February 9, 2024, and June 26, 2024, the Fund issued 100,000; 810,000; and 200,000 shares of Series G, respectively, receiving \$1,000,000; \$8,100,000; and \$2,000,000, respectively. The Series G Preferred has a liquidation value of \$10 per share and an annual dividend rate of 5.20%. The Series G Preferred Shares are puttable on June 26, 2024 and December 26, 2024. On December 26, 2023, 1,098,500 shares were put back to the Fund at their liquidation preference plus accumulated and unpaid dividends, leaving 1,297,000 shares. The Fund issued 35,000 shares on December 26, 2023, receiving \$345,000 after the deduction of estimated offering expenses. The Series G Preferred is subject to mandatory redemption by the Fund on June 26, 2025. On June 26, 2024, 10,000 Series G Preferred were put back to the Fund at their liquidation preference of \$10 per share. On December 26, 2024, 65,000 Series G Preferred were put back to the Fund at their liquidation preference of \$10 per share. At December 31, 2024, 2,367,000 shares of Series G Preferred were outstanding and accrued dividends amounted to \$17,095.

Series	Issue Date	Authorized	Number of Shares Outstanding at 12/31/2024	Net Proceeds	2024 Dividend Rate Range	Dividend Rate at 12/31/2024	Accrued Dividends at 12/31/2024
E 5.200% .....	October 15, 2021	4,000,000	3,036,500	\$39,875,000	Fixed Rate	5.200%	\$21,930
G 5.200% .....	Various	2,395,500	2,367,000	\$23,755,000	Fixed Rate	5.200%	\$17,095

The holders of Preferred Shares generally are entitled to one vote per share held on each matter submitted to a vote of shareholders of the Fund and will vote together with holders of common stock as a single class. The holders of Preferred Shares voting together as a single class also have the right currently to elect two Trustees and under certain circumstances are entitled to elect a majority of the Board. In addition, the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by holders of all outstanding shares of the Preferred Shares, voting as a single class, will be required to approve any plan of reorganization adversely affecting the Preferred Shares, and the approval of two-thirds of each class, voting separately, of the Fund's outstanding voting stock must approve the conversion of the Fund from a closed-end to an open-end investment company. The approval of a majority (as defined in the 1940 Act) of the outstanding Preferred Shares and a majority (as defined in the 1940 Act) of the Fund's outstanding voting securities are required to approve certain other actions, including changes in the Fund's investment objectives or fundamental investment policies.

**8. Industry Concentration.** Because the Fund primarily invests in common stocks and other securities of foreign and domestic companies in the health care, pharmaceuticals, and food and beverage industries, its portfolio may be subject to greater risk and market fluctuations than a portfolio of securities representing a broad range of investments.



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**9. Indemnifications.** The Fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifications. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. However, the Fund has not had prior claims or losses pursuant to these contracts. Management has reviewed the Fund's existing contracts and expects the risk of loss to be remote.

**10. Segment Reporting.** In this reporting period, the Fund adopted FASB Accounting Standards Update 2023-07, Segment Reporting (Topic 280) - Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures (ASU 2023-07). Adoption of the new standard impacted financial statement disclosures only and did not affect the Fund's financial position or results of operations. The Fund's Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer act as the Fund's chief operating decision maker (CODM), as defined in Topic 280, assessing performance and making decisions about resource allocation. The CODM has determined that the Fund has a single operating segment based on the fact that the CODM monitors the operating results of the Fund as a whole and the Fund's long-term strategic asset allocation is guided by the Fund's investment objective and principal investment strategies, and executed by the Fund's portfolio management team, comprised of investment professionals employed by the Adviser. The financial information provided to and reviewed by the CODM is consistent with that presented in the Fund's Schedule of Investments, Statements of Operations and Changes in Net Assets and Financial Highlights.

**11. Subsequent Events.** Management has evaluated the impact on the Fund of all subsequent events occurring through the date the financial statements were issued and has determined that there were no subsequent events requiring recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

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## **Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

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To the Board of Trustees and Shareholders of The Gabelli Healthcare & Wellness<sup>Rx</sup> Trust

### **Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities, including the schedule of investments, of The Gabelli Healthcare & Wellness<sup>Rx</sup> Trust (the “Fund”) as of December 31, 2024, the related statements of operations and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2024, the statement of changes in net assets attributable to common shareholders for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2024, including the related notes, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period ended December 31, 2024 (collectively referred to as the “financial statements”). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of December 31, 2024, the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets attributable to common shareholders for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2024, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period ended December 31, 2024 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund’s financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (“PCAOB”) and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits of these financial statements in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of December 31, 2024, by correspondence with the custodian and broker, when replies were not received from broker, we performed other auditing procedures. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
New York, New York  
March 1, 2025

We have served as the auditor of one or more investment companies in the Gabelli Fund Complex since 1986.



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#### **Summary of Updated Information Regarding the Fund**

The following includes information that is incorporated by reference in the Fund's Registration Statement and is also a summary of certain changes during the most recent fiscal year ended December 31, 2024. This information may not reflect all of the changes that have occurred since you purchased shares of the Fund.

#### **Delaware Statutory Trust Act – Control Share Acquisitions**

The Fund is organized as a Delaware statutory trust and thus is subject to the control share acquisition statute contained in Subchapter III of the Delaware Statutory Trust Act (the "DSTA Control Share Statute"). The DSTA Control Share Statute applies to any closed-end investment company organized as a Delaware statutory trust and listed on a national securities exchange, such as the Fund. The DSTA Control Share Statute became automatically applicable to the Fund on August 1, 2022.

The DSTA Control Share Statute defines "control beneficial interests" (referred to as "control shares" herein) by reference to a series of voting power thresholds and provides that a holder of control shares acquired in a control share acquisition has no voting rights under the Delaware Statutory Trust Act ("DSTA") or the Fund's Governing Documents (as used herein, "Governing Documents" means the Fund's Agreement and Declaration of Trust and By-Laws, together with any amendments or supplements thereto, including any Statement of Preferences establishing a series of preferred shares) with respect to the control shares acquired in the control share acquisition, except to the extent approved by the Fund's shareholders by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter, excluding all interested shares (generally, shares held by the acquiring person and their associates and shares held by Fund insiders).

The DSTA Control Share Statute provides for a series of voting power thresholds above which shares are considered control shares. Whether one of these thresholds of voting power is met is determined by aggregating the holdings of the acquiring person as well as those of his, her or its "associates." These thresholds are:

- 10% or more, but less than 15% of all voting power;
- 15% or more, but less than 20% of all voting power;
- 20% or more, but less than 25% of all voting power;
- 25% or more, but less than 30% of all voting power;
- 30% or more, but less than a majority of all voting power; or
- a majority or more of all voting power.

Under the DSTA Control Share Statute, once a threshold is reached, an acquirer has no voting rights with respect to shares in excess of that threshold (i.e., the "control shares") until approved by a vote of shareholders, as described above, or otherwise exempted by the Fund's Board of Trustees. The DSTA Control Share Statute contains a statutory process for an acquiring person to request a shareholder meeting for the purpose of considering the voting rights to be accorded control shares. An acquiring person must repeat this process at each threshold level. The DSTA Control Share Statute effectively allows non-interested shareholders to evaluate the intentions and plans of an acquiring person above each threshold level.

Under the DSTA Control Share Statute, an acquiring person's "associates" are broadly defined to include, among others, relatives of the acquiring person, anyone in a control relationship with the acquiring person, any

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investment fund or other collective investment vehicle that has the same investment adviser as the acquiring person, any investment adviser of an acquiring person that is an investment fund or other collective investment vehicle and any other person acting or intending to act jointly or in concert with the acquiring person.

Voting power under the DSTA Control Share Statute is the power (whether such power is direct or indirect or through any contract, arrangement, understanding, relationship or otherwise) to directly or indirectly exercise or direct the exercise of the voting power of shares of the Fund in the election of the Fund's Trustees (either generally or with respect to any subset, series or class of trustees, including any Trustees elected solely by a particular series or class of shares, such as the preferred shares). Thus, Fund preferred shares, acquired in excess of the above thresholds would be considered control shares with respect to the preferred share class vote for two Trustees.

Any control shares of the Fund acquired before August 1, 2022, are not subject to the DSTA Control Share Statute; however, any further acquisitions on or after August 1, 2022, are considered control shares subject to the DSTA Control Share Statute.

The DSTA Control Share Statute requires shareholders to disclose to the Fund any control share acquisition within 10 days of such acquisition, and also permits the Fund to require a shareholder or an associate of such person to disclose the number of shares owned or with respect to which such person or an associate thereof can directly or indirectly exercise voting power. Further, the DSTA Control Share Statute requires a shareholder or an associate of such person to provide to the Fund within 10 days of receiving a request therefor from the Fund any information that the Fund's Trustees reasonably believe is necessary or desirable to determine whether a control share acquisition has occurred.

The DSTA Control Share Statute permits the Fund's Board of Trustees, through a provision in the Fund's Governing Documents or by Board action alone, to eliminate the application of the DSTA Control Share Statute to the acquisition of control shares in the Fund specifically, generally, or generally by types, as to specifically identified or unidentified existing or future beneficial owners or their affiliates or associates or as to any series or classes of shares. The DSTA Control Share Statute does not provide that the Fund can generally "opt out" of the application of the DSTA Control Share Statute; rather, specific acquisitions or classes of acquisitions may be exempted by the Fund's Board of Trustees, either in advance or retroactively, but other aspects of the DSTA Control Share Statute, which are summarized above, would continue to apply. The DSTA Control Share Statute further provides that the Board of Trustees is under no obligation to grant any such exemptions.

The Board of Trustees has considered the DSTA Control Share Statute. The Board of Trustees has adopted resolutions exempting from the application of the DSTA Control Share Statute acquisitions of preferred shares of beneficial interest of the Fund directly from the Fund or the Fund's distributor, underwriter, placement agent or selling agent, as applicable. As of the date hereof, the Board of Trustees has not received notice of the occurrence of any other control share acquisition nor has been requested to exempt any other acquisition. Therefore, the Board of Trustees has not determined whether the application of the DSTA Control Share Statute to any other acquisition of Fund shares is in the best interest of the Fund and its shareholders and has not exempted, and has no present intention to exempt, any other acquisition or class of acquisitions.

If the Board of Trustees receives a notice of a control share acquisition and/or a request to exempt any acquisition, it will consider whether the application of the DSTA Control Share Statute or the granting of such an exemption

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would be in the best interest of the Fund and its shareholders. The Fund should not be viewed as a vehicle for trading purposes. It is designed primarily for risk-tolerant long-term investors.

The foregoing is only a summary of the material terms of the DSTA Control Share Statute. Shareholders should consult their own counsel with respect to the application of the DSTA Control Share Statute to any particular circumstance. Some uncertainty around the general application under the 1940 Act of state control share statutes exists as a result of recent federal and state court decisions which have held that control share acquisition provisions in funds' governing documents are not consistent with the 1940 Act. The Board of Trustees has considered the DSTA Control Share Statute and the uncertainty and the general application under the 1940 Act of state control share statutes and enforcement of state control share statutes. The Board of Trustees intends to continue to monitor developments relating to the DSTA Control Share Statute and state control share statutes generally. Additionally, in some circumstances uncertainty may also exist in how to enforce the control share restrictions contained in state control share statutes against beneficial owners who hold their shares through financial intermediaries.

The ownership restrictions set forth in the Fund's Governing Documents and the limitations of the DSTA Control Share Statute described above could have the effect of depriving shareholders of an opportunity to sell their shares at a premium over prevailing market prices by discouraging a third party from seeking to obtain control over the Fund and may reduce market demand for the Fund's common shares, which could have the effect of increasing the likelihood that the Fund's common shares trade at a discount to net asset value and increasing the amount of any such discount.

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#### **Investment Objective and Strategies**

During the Fund's most recent fiscal year, there were no material changes to the Fund's investment objectives or policies that have not been approved by shareholders or in the principal risk factors associated with an investment in the Fund.

#### **Investment Objective**

The Fund's investment objective is long term growth of capital. Under normal market conditions, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets (plus borrowings made for investment purposes) in equity securities (such as common stock and preferred stock) and income producing securities (such as fixed income debt securities and securities convertible into common stock) of domestic and foreign companies in the healthcare and wellness industries. Companies in the healthcare and wellness industries are defined as those companies which are primarily engaged in providing products, services and/or equipment related to healthcare, medical, or lifestyle needs (i.e., nutrition, weight management, and food and beverage companies primarily engaged in healthcare and wellness). "Primarily engaged," as defined in this registration statement, means a company that derives at least 50% of its revenues or earnings from, or devotes at least 50% of its assets to, the indicated business. The above 80% policy includes investments in derivatives that have similar economic characteristics to the securities included in the 80% policy. The Fund values derivatives at market value for purposes of the 80% policy. Specific sector investments for the Fund will include, but are not limited to, dental, orthopedics, cardiology, hearing aid, life science, in-vitro diagnostics, medical supplies and products, aesthetics and plastic surgery, veterinary, pharmacy benefits management, healthcare distribution, healthcare imaging, pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, healthcare plans, healthcare services, and healthcare equipment, as well as food, beverages, nutrition and weight management. The Fund will focus on companies that are growing globally due to favorable demographic trends and may invest without limitation in securities of foreign issuers, including issuers in emerging markets. The Fund's investment objective is "fundamental" and therefore may not be changed without the approval of the holders of a majority of the Fund's outstanding voting securities, as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). Except as expressly stated herein, none of the Fund's policies are fundamental and may be modified by the Board without shareholder approval.

The Fund will invest primarily in equity securities of companies in the healthcare and wellness industries. However, the Fund may also invest in debt securities of any quality, any maturity and any duration of such companies when it appears that the Fund will be better able to achieve its investment objective through investments in such securities or when the Fund is temporarily in a defensive position. The remaining 20% of the Fund's assets may be invested in other securities, including stocks, debt obligations (such as U.S. Treasury securities) and money market instruments, as well as certain derivative instruments. Moreover, should extraordinary conditions affecting such sectors or securities markets as a whole warrant, the Fund may temporarily be primarily invested in money market instruments. These factors may change rapidly. The Fund emphasizes quality in selecting healthcare and wellness investments, and looks for companies that have sound financial structures and identifiable growth prospects. Believing that demographic trends will affect global market opportunities, the Fund intends to position itself to take advantage of these trends.

The Fund may invest up to 10% of its total assets in fixed-income securities rated below investment grade by recognized statistical rating agencies or unrated securities of comparable quality. These securities, which may

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be preferred stock or debt, are predominantly speculative and involve major risk exposure to adverse conditions. Debt securities that are not rated or that are rated lower than “BBB” by Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, a Division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., or lower than “Baa” by Moody’s Investors Services, Inc. are referred to in the financial press as “junk bonds.”

The Fund may invest without limitation in securities of foreign issuers, which generally are denominated in foreign currencies, and may include issuers in emerging markets. Foreign investments may involve certain risk and opportunity considerations not typically associated with investing in domestic issuers and could cause the Fund to be affected favorably or unfavorably by changes in currency exchange rates and revaluations of currencies.

The average duration and average maturity of the Fund’s investments in debt securities will vary from time to time depending on the views of Gabelli Funds, LLC (the “Investment Adviser”). Duration is a mathematical calculation of the average life of a bond that serves as a measure of its price risk. Each year of duration represents an expected 1% change in the value of a debt security for every 1% immediate change in interest rates. See “Risk Factors and Special Considerations - Fixed Income Securities - Duration and Maturity Risk.”

No assurance can be given that the Fund’s investment objective will be achieved.

#### **Investment Methodology of the Fund**

In selecting securities for the Fund, the Investment Adviser normally will consider the following factors, among others:

- the Investment Adviser’s own evaluations of the private market value (as defined below), cash flow, earnings per share and other fundamental aspects of the underlying assets and business of the company;
- the potential for capital appreciation of the securities;
- the interest or dividend income generated by the securities;
- the prices of the securities relative to other comparable securities;
- whether the securities are entitled to the benefits of call protection or other protective covenants;
- the existence of any anti-dilution protections or guarantees of the security; and
- the diversification of the portfolio of the Fund as to issuers.

The Investment Adviser’s investment philosophy with respect to equity securities is to identify assets that are selling in the public market at a discount to their private market value. The Investment Adviser defines private market value as the value informed purchasers are willing to pay to acquire assets with similar characteristics. The Investment Adviser also normally evaluates an issuer’s free cash flow and long-term earnings trends. Finally, the Investment Adviser looks for a catalyst, something indigenous to the company, its industry or country, that will surface additional value.

The Fund’s investment objective of long term growth of capital is a fundamental policy of the Fund. The Fund’s policy of concentration in companies in the healthcare and wellness industries is also a fundamental policy of the Fund. Under the 1940 Act, a fundamental policy may not be changed without the vote of a majority, as defined in the 1940 Act, of the outstanding voting securities of the Fund (voting together as a single class).

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#### Certain Investment Practices

*Special Situations.* Although the Fund typically invests in the securities of companies on the basis of fundamental value, the Fund from time to time may, as a non-principal investment strategy, invest in companies that are determined by the Investment Adviser to possess “special situation” characteristics. In general, a special situation company is a company whose securities are expected to increase in value solely by reason of a development particularly or uniquely applicable to the company. Developments that may create special situations include, among others, a liquidation, reorganization, recapitalization or merger, material litigation, technological breakthrough or new management or management policies. The principal risk associated with investments in special situation companies is that the anticipated development thought to create the special situation may not occur and the investment therefore may not appreciate in value or may decline in value.

*Temporary Defensive Investments.* Subject to the Fund’s investment restrictions, when a temporary defensive period is believed by the Investment Adviser to be warranted (“temporary defensive periods”), the Fund may, without limitation, hold cash or invest its assets in securities of United States government sponsored instrumentalities, including U.S. Treasury securities, in repurchase agreements in respect of those instruments, and in certain high-grade commercial paper instruments. During temporary defensive periods, the Fund may also invest in money market mutual funds that invest primarily in securities of United States government sponsored instrumentalities and repurchase agreements in respect of those instruments. Obligations of certain agencies and instrumentalities of the United States government, such as the Government National Mortgage Association, are supported by the “full faith and credit” of the United States government; others, such as those of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, are supported by the right of the issuer to borrow from the United States Treasury; others, such as those of the Federal National Mortgage Association, are supported by the discretionary authority of the United States government to purchase the agency’s obligations; and still others, such as those of the Student Loan Marketing Association, are supported only by the credit of the instrumentality. No assurance can be given that the United States government would provide financial support to United States government sponsored instrumentalities if it is not obligated to do so by law. During temporary defensive periods, the Fund may not achieve its investment objective.

*Options.* On behalf of the Fund, the Investment Adviser may, subject to the guidelines of the Board and Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) or staff guidance and any other applicable regulatory authority, purchase or sell (i.e., write) options on securities, securities indices and foreign currencies which are listed on a national securities exchange or in the U.S. over-the-counter (“OTC”) markets as a means of achieving additional return or of hedging the value of the Fund’s portfolio.

The Fund may write covered call options on common stocks that it owns or has an immediate right to acquire through conversion or exchange of other securities in an amount not to exceed 25% of its total assets or invest up to 10% of its total assets in the purchase of put options on common stocks that the Fund owns or may acquire through the conversion or exchange of other securities that it owns.

A call option is a contract that gives the holder of the option the right to buy from the writer (seller) of the call option, in return for a premium paid, the security underlying the option at a specified exercise price at any time during the term of the option. The writer of the call option has the obligation, upon exercise of the option, to deliver the underlying security upon payment of the exercise price during the option period.



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A put option is a contract that gives the holder of the option the right to sell to the writer (seller), in return for the premium, the underlying security at a specified price during the term of the option. The writer of the put, who receives the premium, has the obligation to buy the underlying security upon exercise, at the exercise price during the option period.

If the Fund has written an option, it may terminate its obligation by effecting a closing purchase transaction. This is accomplished by purchasing an option of the same series as the option previously written. There can be no assurance that a closing purchase transaction can be effected when the Fund so desires.

An exchange-traded option may be closed out only on an exchange which provides a secondary market for an option of the same series. Although the Fund will generally purchase or write only those options for which there appears to be an active secondary market, there is no assurance that a liquid secondary market on an exchange will exist for any particular option.

A call option is “covered” if the Fund owns the underlying instrument covered by the call or has an absolute and immediate right to acquire that instrument without additional cash consideration upon conversion or exchange of another instrument held in its portfolio (or for additional cash consideration held in a segregated account by its custodian). A call option is also covered if the Fund holds a call on the same instrument as the call written where the exercise price of the call held is (i) equal to or less than the exercise price of the call written or (ii) greater than the exercise price of the call written if the difference is maintained by the Fund in cash, U.S. government obligations or other high-grade short term obligations in a segregated account with its custodian. A put option is “covered” if the Fund maintains cash or other high-grade short term obligations with a value equal to the exercise price in a segregated account with its custodian, or else holds a put on the same instrument as the put written where the exercise price of the put held is equal to or greater than the exercise price of the put written. If the Fund has written an option, it may terminate its obligation by effecting a closing purchase transaction. This is accomplished by purchasing an option of the same series as the option previously written. However, once the Fund has been assigned an exercise notice, it will be unable to effect a closing purchase transaction. Similarly, if the Fund is the holder of an option, it may liquidate its position by effecting a closing sale transaction. This is accomplished by selling an option with the same terms as the option previously purchased. There can be no assurance that either a closing purchase or sale transaction can be effected when the Fund so desires.

The Fund will realize a profit from a closing transaction if the price of the transaction is less than the premium it received from writing the option or is more than the premium it paid to purchase the option; the Fund will realize a loss from a closing transaction if the price of the transaction is more than the premium it received from writing the option or is less than the premium it paid to purchase the option. Since call option prices generally reflect increases in the price of the underlying security, any loss resulting from the repurchase of a call option may also be wholly or partially offset by unrealized appreciation of the underlying security. Other principal factors affecting the market value of a put or a call option include supply and demand, interest rates, the current market price and price volatility of the underlying security and the time remaining until the expiration date. Gains and losses on investments in options depend, in part, on the ability of the Investment Adviser to predict correctly the effect of these factors. The use of options cannot serve as a complete hedge since the price movement of securities underlying the options will not necessarily follow the price movements of the portfolio securities subject to the hedge.

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An option position may be closed out only on an exchange that provides a secondary market for an option with the same terms or in a private transaction. Although the Fund will generally purchase or write only those options for which there appears to be an active secondary market, there is no assurance that a liquid secondary market on an exchange will exist for any particular option. In such event, it might not be possible to effect closing transactions in particular options, so that the Fund would have to exercise its options in order to realize any profit and would incur brokerage commissions upon the exercise of call options and upon the subsequent disposition of underlying securities for the exercise of put options. If the Fund, as a covered call option writer, is unable to effect a closing purchase transaction in a secondary market, it will not be able to sell the underlying security until the option expires or it delivers the underlying security upon exercise or otherwise covers the position.

In addition to options on securities, the Fund may also purchase and sell call and put options on securities indices. A stock index reflects in a single number the market value of many different stocks. Relative values are assigned to the stocks included in an index and the index fluctuates with changes in the market values of the stocks. The options give the holder the right to receive a cash settlement during the term of the option based on the difference between the exercise price and the value of the index. By writing a put or call option on a securities index, the Fund is obligated, in return for the premium received, to make delivery of this amount. The Fund may offset its position in the stock index options prior to expiration by entering into a closing transaction on an exchange or it may let the option expire unexercised.

The Fund may also buy or sell put and call options on foreign currencies. A put option on a foreign currency gives the purchaser of the option the right to sell a foreign currency at the exercise price until the option expires. A call option on a foreign currency gives the purchaser of the option the right to purchase the currency at the exercise price until the option expires. Currency options traded on U.S. or other exchanges may be subject to position limits which may limit the ability of the Fund to reduce foreign currency risk using such options. OTC options differ from exchange-traded options in that they are two-party contracts with price and other terms negotiated between buyer and seller and generally do not have as much market liquidity as exchange-traded options. OTC options are considered illiquid securities.

Use of options on securities indices entails the risk that trading in the options may be interrupted if trading in certain securities included in the index is interrupted. The Fund will not purchase these options unless the Investment Adviser is satisfied with the development, depth and liquidity of the market and the Investment Adviser believes the options can be closed out.

Price movements in the portfolio of the Fund may not correlate precisely with the movements in the level of an index and, therefore, the use of options on indices cannot serve as a complete hedge and will depend, in part, on the ability of the Investment Adviser to predict correctly movements in the direction of the stock market generally or of a particular industry. Because options on securities indices require settlement in cash, the Fund may be forced to liquidate portfolio securities to meet settlement obligations.

Although the Investment Adviser will attempt to take appropriate measures to minimize the risks relating to the Fund's writing of put and call options, there can be no assurance that the Fund will succeed in any option writing program it undertakes.

*Futures Contracts and Options on Futures.* A "sale" of a futures contract (or a "short" futures position) means the assumption of a contractual obligation to deliver the assets underlying the contract at a specified price at a



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specified future time. A “purchase” of a futures contract (or a “long” futures position) means the assumption of a contractual obligation to acquire the assets underlying the contract at a specified price at a specified future time. Certain futures contracts, including stock and bond index futures, are settled on a net cash payment basis rather than by the sale and delivery of the assets underlying the futures contracts. No consideration will be paid or received by the Fund upon the purchase or sale of a futures contract. Initially, the Fund will be required to deposit with the broker an amount of cash or cash equivalents equal to approximately 1% to 10% of the contract amount (this amount is subject to change by the exchange or board of trade on which the contract is traded and brokers or members of such board of trade may charge a higher amount). This amount is known as “initial margin” and is in the nature of a performance bond or good faith deposit on the contract. Subsequent payments, known as “variation margin,” to and from the broker will be made daily as the price of the index or security underlying the futures contract fluctuates. At any time prior to the expiration of a futures contract, the Fund may close the position by taking an opposite position, which will operate to terminate its existing position in the contract.

An option on a futures contract gives the purchaser the right, in return for the premium paid, to assume a position in a futures contract at a specified exercise price at any time prior to the expiration of the option. Upon exercise of an option, the delivery of the futures position by the writer of the option to the holder of the option will be accompanied by delivery of the accumulated balance in the writer’s futures margin account attributable to that contract, which represents the amount by which the market price of the futures contract exceeds, in the case of a call option, or is less than, in the case of a put option, the exercise price of the option on the futures contract. The potential loss related to the purchase of an option on a futures contract is limited to the premium paid for the option (plus transaction costs). Because the value of the option purchased is fixed at the point of sale, there are no daily cash payments by the purchaser to reflect changes in the value of the underlying contract; however, the value of the option does change daily and that change would be reflected in the net assets of the Fund.

Futures and options on futures entail certain risks, including but not limited to the following: no assurance that futures contracts or options on futures can be offset at favorable prices, possible reduction of the yield of the Fund due to the use of hedging, possible reduction in value of both the securities hedged and the hedging instrument, possible lack of liquidity due to daily limits on price fluctuations, imperfect correlation between the contracts and the securities being hedged and losses from investing in futures transactions that are potentially unlimited.

The Investment Adviser has claimed an exclusion, granted to operators of registered investment companies like the Fund, from registration as a commodity pool operator (“CPO”) with respect to the Fund under the Commodity Exchange Act (the “CEA”), and, therefore, is not subject to registration or regulation with respect to the Fund under the CEA. As a result, the Fund is limited in its ability to use commodity futures (which include futures on broad-based securities indices and interest rate futures) or options on commodity futures, engage in certain swaps transactions or make certain other investments (whether directly or indirectly through investments in other investment vehicles) for purposes other than “bona fide hedging,” as defined in the rules of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. With respect to transactions other than for bona fide hedging purposes, either: (1) the aggregate initial margin and premiums required to establish the Fund’s positions in such investments may not exceed 5% of the liquidation value of its portfolio (after accounting for unrealized profits and unrealized losses on any such investments); or (2) the aggregate net notional value of such instruments, determined at the

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time the most recent position was established, may not exceed 100% of the liquidation value of its portfolio (after accounting for unrealized profits and unrealized losses on any such positions). In addition to meeting one of the foregoing trading limitations, the Fund may not market itself as a commodity pool or otherwise as a vehicle for trading in the futures, options or swaps markets. If the Investment Adviser were required to register as a CPO with respect to the Fund, compliance with additional registration and regulatory requirements would increase Fund expenses. Other potentially adverse regulatory initiatives could also develop.

*Interest Rate Futures Contracts and Options Thereon.* The Fund may purchase or sell interest rate futures contracts to take advantage of, or to protect against, fluctuations in interest rates affecting the value of debt securities which the Fund holds or intends to acquire. For example, if interest rates are expected to increase, the Fund might sell futures contracts on debt securities, the values of which historically have a high degree of positive correlation to the values of the Fund's portfolio securities. Such a sale would have an effect similar to selling an equivalent value of the Fund's portfolio securities. If interest rates increase, the value of the Fund's portfolio securities will decline, but the value of the futures contracts to the Fund will increase at approximately an equivalent rate, thereby keeping the net asset value ("NAV") of the Fund from declining as much as it otherwise would have. The Fund could accomplish similar results by selling debt securities with longer maturities and investing in debt securities with shorter maturities when interest rates are expected to increase. However, since the futures market may be more liquid than the cash market, the use of futures contracts as a risk management technique allows the Fund to maintain a defensive position without having to sell its portfolio securities.

Similarly, the Fund may purchase interest rate futures contracts when it is expected that interest rates may decline. The purchase of futures contracts for this purpose constitutes a hedge against increases in the price of debt securities (caused by declining interest rates) which the Fund intends to acquire. Since fluctuations in the value of appropriately selected futures contracts should approximate that of the debt securities that will be purchased, the Fund can take advantage of the anticipated rise in the cost of the debt securities without actually buying them. Subsequently, the Fund can make its intended purchase of the debt securities in the cash market and concurrently liquidate its futures position.

The purchase of a call option on a futures contract is similar in some respects to the purchase of a call option on an individual security. Depending on the pricing of the option compared to either the price of the futures contract upon which it is based or the price of the underlying debt securities, it may or may not be less risky than ownership of the futures contract or underlying debt securities. As with the purchase of futures contracts, when the Fund is not fully invested it may purchase a call option on a futures contract to hedge against a market advance due to declining interest rates.

The purchase of a put option on a futures contract is similar to the purchase of protective put options on portfolio securities. The Fund will purchase a put option on a futures contract to hedge the Fund's portfolio against the risk of rising interest rates and a consequent reduction in the value of portfolio securities.

The writing of a call option on a futures contract constitutes a partial hedge against declining prices of the securities that are deliverable upon exercise of the futures contract. If the futures price at expiration of the option is below the exercise price, the Fund will retain the full amount of the option premium, which provides a partial hedge against any decline that may have occurred in the Fund's portfolio holdings. The writing of a put option on a futures contract constitutes a partial hedge against increasing prices of the securities that are deliverable

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upon exercise of the futures contract. If the futures price at expiration of the option is higher than the exercise price, the Fund will retain the full amount of the option premium, which provides a partial hedge against any increase in the price of debt securities that the Fund intends to purchase. If a put or call option the Fund has written is exercised, the Fund will incur a loss which will be reduced by the amount of the premium it received. Depending on the degree of correlation between changes in the value of its portfolio securities and changes in the value of its futures positions, losses of the Fund from options on futures it has written may to some extent be reduced or increased by changes in the value of its portfolio securities.

*Swaps.* The Fund may enter into total rate of return, credit default, interest rate or other types of swaps and related derivatives for various purposes, including to gain economic exposure to an asset or group of assets that may be difficult or impractical to acquire or for hedging and risk management. These transactions generally provide for the transfer from one counterparty to another of certain risks inherent in the ownership of a financial asset such as a common stock or debt instrument. Such risks include, among other things, the risk of default and insolvency of the obligor of such asset, the risk that the credit of the obligor or the underlying collateral will decline or the risk that the underlying collateral will decline. The transfer of risk pursuant to a derivative of this type may be complete or partial, and may be for the life of the related asset or for a shorter period. These derivatives may be used as a risk management tool for a pool of financial assets, providing the Fund with the opportunity to gain or reduce exposure to one or more reference securities or other financial assets (each, a "Reference Asset") without actually owning or selling such assets in order, for example, to increase or reduce a concentration risk or to diversify a portfolio. Conversely, these derivatives may be used by the Fund to reduce exposure to an owned asset without selling it.

Because the Fund would not own the Reference Assets, the Fund may not have any voting rights with respect to the Reference Assets, and in such cases will not be able to vote on matters related to the obligors or issuers of the Reference Assets, including whether to exercise certain remedies.

Total rate of return swaps and similar derivatives are subject to many risks, including the possibility that the market will move in a manner or direction that would have resulted in gain for the Fund had the swap or other derivative not been utilized (in which case it would have been better had the Fund not engaged in the transactions), nearly unlimited exposure to changes in the value of the Reference Assets, total loss to the Fund of the entire notional amount of the swap, the risk of imperfect correlation between the risk sought to be hedged and the derivative transactions utilized, the possible inability of the counterparty to fulfill its obligations under the swap and potential illiquidity of the instrument utilized, which may make it difficult for the Fund to close out or unwind one or more transactions.

Total rate of return swaps and related derivatives are a relatively recent development in the financial markets. Consequently, there are certain legal, tax and market uncertainties that present risks in entering into such an arrangement. There is currently little or no case law or litigation characterizing total rate of return swaps or related derivatives, interpreting their provisions, or characterizing their tax treatment. In addition, additional regulations and laws may apply to these types of derivatives that have not previously been applied. There can be no assurance that future decisions constructing similar provisions to those in any swap agreement or other related documents or additional regulations and laws will not have an adverse effect on the Fund that utilizes these instruments. The Fund will monitor these risks and seek to utilize these instruments in a manner that does not lead to undue risk regarding the tax or other structural elements of the Fund. The Fund will not invest

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in these types of instruments if the Reference Assets are commodities except for bona fide hedging or risk management purposes.

*Currency Futures and Options Thereon.* Generally, foreign currency futures contracts and options thereon are similar to the interest rate futures contracts and options thereon discussed previously. By entering into currency futures and options thereon, the Fund will seek to establish the rate at which it will be entitled to exchange U.S. dollars for another currency at a future time. By selling currency futures, the Fund will seek to establish the number of dollars it will receive at delivery for a certain amount of a foreign currency. In this way, whenever the Fund anticipates a decline in the value of a foreign currency against the U.S. dollar, the Fund can attempt to “lock in” the U.S. dollar value of some or all of the securities held in its portfolio that are denominated in that currency. By purchasing currency futures, the Fund can establish the number of dollars it will be required to pay for a specified amount of a foreign currency in a future month. Thus, if the Fund intends to buy securities in the future and expects the U.S. dollar to decline against the relevant foreign currency during the period before the purchase is effected, the Fund can attempt to “lock in” the price in U.S. dollars of the securities it intends to acquire.

The purchase of options on currency futures will allow the Fund, for the price of the premium and related transaction costs it must pay for the option, to decide whether or not to buy (in the case of a call option) or to sell (in the case of a put option) a futures contract at a specified price at any time during the period before the option expires. If the Investment Adviser, in purchasing an option, has been correct in its judgment concerning the direction in which the price of a foreign currency would move as against the U.S. dollar, the Fund may exercise the option and thereby take a futures position to hedge against the risk it had correctly anticipated or close out the option position at a gain that will offset, to some extent, currency exchange losses otherwise suffered by the Fund. If exchange rates move in a way the Fund did not anticipate, however, the Fund will have incurred the expense of the option without obtaining the expected benefit; any such movement in exchange rates may also thereby reduce, rather than enhance, the Fund's profits on its underlying securities transactions.

*Securities Index Futures Contracts and Options Thereon.* Purchases or sales of securities index futures contracts are used for hedging purposes to attempt to protect the Fund's current or intended investments from broad fluctuations in stock or bond prices. For example, the Fund may sell securities index futures contracts in anticipation of or during a market decline to attempt to offset the decrease in market value of its securities portfolio that might otherwise result. If such decline occurs, the loss in value of portfolio securities may be offset, in whole or part, by gains on the futures position. When the Fund is not fully invested in the securities market and anticipates a significant market advance, it may purchase securities index futures contracts in order to gain rapid market exposure that may, in part or entirely, offset increases in the cost of securities that it intends to purchase. As such purchases are made, the corresponding positions in securities index futures contracts will be closed out. The Fund may write put and call options on securities index futures contracts for hedging purposes.

*Forward Currency Exchange Contracts.* The Fund may engage in currency transactions other than on futures exchanges to protect against future changes in the level of future currency exchange rates. The Fund will conduct such currency exchange transactions either on a spot, i.e., cash, basis at the rate then prevailing in the currency exchange market or on a forward basis, by entering into forward contracts to purchase or sell currency. A forward contract on foreign currency involves an obligation to purchase or sell a specific currency at a future date, which may be any fixed number of days agreed upon by the parties from the date of the contract, at a

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price set on the date of the contract. Dealing in forward currency exchange by the Fund will be limited to hedging involving either specific transactions or portfolio positions. Transaction hedging is the purchase or sale of forward currency with respect to specific receivables or payables of the Fund generally arising in connection with the purchase or sale of its portfolio securities and accruals of interest receivable and fund expenses. Position hedging is the forward sale of currency with respect to portfolio security positions denominated or quoted in that currency or in a currency bearing a high degree of positive correlation to the value of that currency.

The Fund may not position hedge with respect to a particular currency for an amount greater than the aggregate market value (determined at the time of making any sale of forward currency) of the securities held in its portfolio denominated or quoted in, or currently convertible into, such currency.

At or before the maturity of a forward sale contract, the Fund may either sell a portfolio security and make delivery of the currency, or retain the security and offset its contractual obligations to deliver the currency by purchasing a second contract pursuant to which the Fund will obtain, on the same maturity date, the same amount of the currency which it is obligated to deliver. If the Fund retains the portfolio security and engages in an offsetting transaction, the Fund, at the time of execution of the offsetting transaction, will incur a gain or a loss to the extent that movement has occurred in forward contract prices. Should forward prices decline during the period between entering into a forward contract by the Fund for the sale of a currency and the date it enters into an offsetting contract for the purchase of the currency, the Fund will realize a gain to the extent the price of the currency it has agreed to purchase is less than the price of the currency it has agreed to sell. Should forward prices increase, the Fund will suffer a loss to the extent the price of the currency it has agreed to purchase exceeds the price of the currency it has agreed to sell. Closing out forward purchase contracts involves similar offsetting transactions.

The cost to the Fund of engaging in currency transactions varies with factors such as the currency involved, the length of the contract period and the market conditions then prevailing. Because forward transactions in currency exchange are usually conducted on a principal basis, no fees or commissions are involved. The use of foreign currency contracts does not eliminate fluctuations in the underlying prices of the securities, but it does establish a rate of exchange that can be achieved in the future. In addition, although forward currency contracts limit the risk of loss due to a decline in the value of the hedged currency, they also limit any potential gain that might result if the value of the currency increases.

If a decline in any currency is generally anticipated by the Investment Adviser, the Fund may not be able to contract to sell the currency at a price above the level to which the currency is anticipated to decline.

*When Issued, Delayed Delivery Securities and Forward Commitments.* The Fund may enter into forward commitments for the purchase or sale of securities, including on a “when issued” or “delayed delivery” basis, in excess of customary settlement periods for the type of security involved. In some cases, a forward commitment may be conditioned upon the occurrence of a subsequent event, such as approval and consummation of a merger, corporate reorganization or debt restructuring, i.e., a when, as and if issued security. When such transactions are negotiated, the price is fixed at the time of the commitment, with payment and delivery taking place in the future, generally a month or more after the date of the commitment. While it will only enter into a forward commitment with the intention of actually acquiring the security, the Fund may sell the security before the settlement date if it is deemed advisable.

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Securities purchased under a forward commitment are subject to market fluctuation, and no interest (or dividends) accrues to the Fund prior to the settlement date.

**Restricted and Illiquid Securities.** The Fund may invest without limit in illiquid securities. Illiquid securities include securities the disposition of which is subject to substantial legal or contractual restrictions. The sale of illiquid securities often requires more time and results in higher brokerage charges or dealer discounts and other selling expenses than does the sale of securities eligible for trading on national securities exchanges or in the OTC markets. Restricted securities may sell at a price lower than similar securities that are not subject to restrictions on resale. Unseasoned issuers are companies (including predecessors) that have operated less than three years. The continued liquidity of such securities may not be as well assured as that of publicly traded securities, and accordingly the Board will monitor their liquidity. The Board will review pertinent factors such as trading activity, reliability of price information and trading patterns of comparable securities in determining whether to treat any such security as liquid. To the extent the Board treats such securities as liquid, temporary impairments to trading patterns of such securities may adversely affect the liquidity of the Fund.

The Board has adopted guidelines and delegated to the Investment Adviser, subject to the supervision of the Board, the function of determining and monitoring the liquidity of particular Rule 144A securities under the Securities Act of 1933 Act, as amended (the “Securities Act”).

**Leverage.** As provided in the 1940 Act, and subject to compliance with the Fund’s investment limitations, the Fund may issue senior securities representing (i) shares, such as preferred shares, so long as immediately following such issuance of stock, its total assets exceed 200% of the amount of such shares and (ii) indebtedness, such as notes, so long as immediately following such issuance of indebtedness, its total assets exceed 300% of the amount of such indebtedness. The use of leverage magnifies the impact of changes in NAV. For example, a fund that uses 33% leverage will show a 1.5% increase or decline in NAV for each 1% increase or decline in the value of its total assets. In addition, if the cost of leverage exceeds the return on the securities acquired with the proceeds of leverage, the use of leverage will diminish, rather than enhance, the return to the Fund. The use of leverage generally increases the volatility of returns to the Fund.

Additionally, the Fund may enter into derivative transactions that have economic leverage embedded in them. Derivative transactions that the Fund may enter into and the risks associated with them are described herein. The Fund cannot assure you that investments in derivative transactions that have economic leverage embedded in them will result in a higher return on its common shares. Under Rule 18f-4 under the 1940 Act, among other things, the Fund must either use derivatives in a limited manner or comply with an outer limit on fund leverage risk based on value-at-risk. See “Risk Factors and Special Considerations-Special Risks of Derivative Transactions-Derivatives Transactions Subject to Rule 18f-4 Under the 1940 Act.”

**Investment Restrictions.** The Fund has adopted certain investment restrictions as fundamental policies of the Fund. Under the 1940 Act, a fundamental policy may not be changed without the vote of a majority, as defined in the 1940 Act, of the outstanding voting securities of the Fund (voting together as a single class). The Fund’s fundamental investment restrictions prohibit the Fund from: (1) concentrating its investments (i.e., investing more than 25% of the Fund’s total assets) in securities of issuers in any industry other than the healthcare and wellness industries; (2) purchasing or selling commodities or commodity contracts, except that the Fund may purchase or sell futures contracts and related options thereon if certain conditions are met, and purchasing



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or selling sell real estate, provided that the Fund may invest in securities secured by real estate or interests therein or issued by companies which invest in real estate or interests therein; (3) making loans of money, except by the purchase of a portion of private or publicly distributed debt obligations or the entering into of repurchase agreements, and the Fund reserves the authority to make loans of its portfolio securities to financial intermediaries in an aggregate amount not exceeding 20% of its total assets; (4) borrowing money, except to the extent permitted by applicable law (i.e., the Fund generally may borrow money in amounts of up to one-third of the Fund's total assets for any purpose, subject to the requirement that the Fund have asset coverage of at least 300% of the amount of its borrowings at the time the borrowing is incurred, and may borrow up to 5% of the Fund's total assets for temporary purposes (for up to 60 days) without maintaining such 300% asset coverage); (5) issuing senior securities, except to the extent permitted by applicable law (i.e., the Fund may issue senior securities (which may be stock, such as preferred shares, and/or securities representing debt, such as notes), subject to the requirement that the Fund maintain asset coverage as required by the 1940 Act); and (6) underwriting securities of other issuers except insofar as the Fund may be deemed an underwriter under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in selling portfolio securities. See also "Leverage Risk - Portfolio Guidelines of Rating Agencies for Preferred Shares and/or Credit Facility."

***Portfolio Turnover.*** The Fund will buy and sell securities to accomplish its investment objective. The investment policies of the Fund may lead to frequent changes in investments, particularly in periods of rapidly fluctuating interest or currency exchange rates. The portfolio turnover may be higher than that of other investment companies.

Portfolio turnover generally involves some expense to the Fund, including brokerage commissions or dealer mark-ups and other transaction costs on the sale of securities and reinvestment in other securities. The portfolio turnover rate is computed by dividing the lesser of the amount of the securities purchased or securities sold by the average monthly value of securities owned during the year (excluding securities whose maturities at acquisition were one year or less). High portfolio turnover may also result in the realization of substantial net short term capital gains and any distributions resulting from such gains will be taxable at ordinary income rates for United States federal income tax purposes. The Fund's portfolio turnover rates for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 were 19% and 21%, respectively.

***Borrowing.*** The Fund may borrow money in accordance with its investment restrictions, including as a temporary measure for extraordinary or emergency purposes.

### **RISK FACTORS AND SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Investors should consider the following risk factors and special considerations associated with investing in the Fund:

#### **Industry Concentration Risks**

The Fund is concentrated in the healthcare and wellness industries. Under normal market conditions, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets (plus borrowings made for investment purposes) in equity securities (such as common stock and preferred stock) and income producing securities (such as fixed income debt securities and securities convertible into common stock) of domestic and foreign companies in the healthcare and wellness industries. As a result of investing a significant portion of its assets in companies in the healthcare and wellness industries, the value of the Fund's shares will be more susceptible to factors affecting those particular types of

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companies, which may include, among others, governmental regulation, changes in government subsidy and reimbursement levels, the governmental approval process, rapid obsolescence of products and services and patent expirations. The Investment Adviser believes that certain healthcare and wellness related companies could experience growth as a result of demographic changes and the Fund intends to focus on companies that will benefit from these demographic trends. However, certain of these companies may be less able to anticipate demographic trends and investments in these companies would not be likely to perform as well as investments in those that do.

#### **Long Term Objective**

The Fund seeks long term growth of capital. The Fund is not meant to provide a vehicle for those who wish to exploit short term swings in the stock market. An investment in shares of the Fund should not be considered a complete investment program. Each shareholder should take into account the shareholder's investment objectives when considering an investment in the Fund.

#### **Tax Status**

To qualify as a "regulated investment company," or "RIC," for purposes of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), the Fund has in the past conducted and intends to conduct its operations in a manner that will relieve it of any liability for federal income tax to the extent its earnings are distributed to shareholders. To so qualify as a "regulated investment company," among other requirements, the Fund will limit its investments so that, at the close of each quarter of the taxable year:

- not more than 25% of the market value of its total assets will be invested in the securities (other than United States government securities or the securities of other RICs) of a single issuer, any two or more issuers in which the Fund owns 20% or more of the voting securities and which are determined to be engaged in the same, similar or related trades or businesses or in the securities of one or more qualified publicly traded partnerships (as defined in the Code); and
- at least 50% of the market value of the Fund's assets will be represented by cash, securities of other RICs, United States government securities and other securities, with such other securities limited in respect of any one issuer to an amount not greater than 5% of the value of the Fund's total assets and not more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of such issuer.

#### **Market Value and Net Asset Value**

The Fund is a diversified, closed-end management investment company. Shares of closed-end funds are bought and sold in the securities markets and may trade at either a premium to or discount from NAV. Listed shares of closed-end investment companies often trade at discounts from NAV. This characteristic of shares of a closed-end fund is a risk separate and distinct from the risk that its NAV may decrease. The Fund cannot predict whether its listed shares will trade at, below or above NAV. The risk of holding shares of a closed-end fund that might trade at a discount is more pronounced for shareholders who wish to sell their shares in a relatively short period of time after acquiring them because, for those investors, realization of a gain or loss on their investments is likely to be more dependent upon the existence of a premium or discount than upon portfolio performance. The Fund's shares are not subject to redemption. Shareholders desiring liquidity may, subject to applicable securities laws, trade their Fund shares on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") or other markets



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on which such shares may trade at the then-current market value, which may differ from the then current NAV. Shareholders will incur brokerage or other transaction costs to sell shares.

#### **Equity Risk**

Investing in the Fund involves equity risk, which is the risk that the securities held by the Fund will fall in market value due to adverse market and economic conditions, perceptions regarding the industries in which the issuers of securities held by the Fund participate and the particular circumstances and performance of particular companies whose securities the Fund holds. An investment in the Fund represents an indirect economic stake in the securities owned by the Fund, which are for the most part traded on securities exchanges or in the OTC markets. The market value of these securities, like other market investments, may move up or down, sometimes rapidly and unpredictably. The NAV of the Fund may at any point in time be worth less than the amount at the time the shareholder invested in the Fund, even after taking into account any reinvestment of distributions.

#### **Foreign Securities**

There is no limitation on the amount of foreign securities, including emerging market securities, in which the Fund may invest. Investments in the securities of foreign issuers involve certain considerations and risks not ordinarily associated with investments in securities of domestic issuers and such securities may be more volatile than those of issuers in the United States. Foreign companies are not generally subject to uniform accounting, auditing and financial standards and requirements comparable to those applicable to United States companies. Foreign securities exchanges, brokers and listed companies may be subject to less government supervision and regulation than exists in the United States. Dividend and interest income may be subject to withholding and other foreign taxes, which may adversely affect the net return on such investments. There may be difficulty in obtaining or enforcing a court judgment abroad. In addition, it may be difficult to effect repatriation of capital invested in certain countries. Also, with respect to certain countries, there are risks of expropriation, confiscatory taxation, political or social instability or diplomatic developments that could affect assets of the Fund held in foreign countries. Dividend income that the Fund receives from foreign securities may not be eligible for the special tax treatment applicable to qualified dividend income. Moreover, certain equity investments in foreign issuers classified as passive foreign investment companies may be subject to additional taxation risk.

There may be less publicly available information about a foreign company than a United States company. Foreign securities markets may have substantially less volume than United States securities markets and some foreign company securities are less liquid than securities of otherwise comparable United States companies. A portfolio of foreign securities may also be adversely affected by fluctuations in the rates of exchange between the currencies of different nations and by exchange control regulations. Foreign markets also have different clearance and settlement procedures that could cause the Fund to encounter difficulties in purchasing and selling securities on such markets and may result in the Fund missing attractive investment opportunities or experiencing loss. In addition, a portfolio that includes foreign securities can expect to have a higher expense ratio because of the increased transaction costs on non-United States securities markets and the increased costs of maintaining the custody of foreign securities.

The Fund also may purchase sponsored American Depositary Receipts (“ADRs”) or United States dollar denominated securities of foreign issuers, including emerging market issuers. ADRs are receipts issued by United States banks or trust companies in respect of securities of foreign issuers held on deposit for use in

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the United States securities markets. While ADRs may not necessarily be denominated in the same currency as the securities into which they may be converted, many of the risks associated with foreign securities may also apply to ADRs. In addition, the underlying issuers of certain depositary receipts, particularly unsponsored or unregistered depositary receipts, are under no obligation to distribute shareholder communications to the holders of such receipts, or to pass through to them any voting rights with respect to the deposited securities.

#### **Emerging Markets**

The Fund may invest in securities of issuers whose primary operations or principal trading market is in an “emerging market.” An “emerging market” country is any country that is considered to be an emerging or developing country by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the “World Bank”). Investing in securities of companies in emerging markets may entail special risks relating to potential political and economic instability and the risks of expropriation, nationalization, confiscation or the imposition of restrictions on foreign investment, the lack of hedging instruments and restrictions on repatriation of capital invested. Emerging securities markets are substantially smaller, less developed, less liquid and more volatile than the major securities markets. The limited size of emerging securities markets and limited trading value compared to the volume of trading in U.S. securities could cause prices to be erratic for reasons apart from factors that affect the quality of the securities. For example, limited market size may cause prices to be unduly influenced by traders who control large positions. Adverse publicity and investors’ perceptions, whether or not based on fundamental analysis, may decrease the value and liquidity of portfolio securities, especially in these markets. Other risks include high concentration of market capitalization and trading volume in a small number of issuers representing a limited number of industries, as well as a high concentration of investors and financial intermediaries; overdependence on exports, including gold and natural resources exports, making these economies vulnerable to changes in commodity prices; overburdened infrastructure and obsolete or unseasoned financial systems; environmental problems; potential for sanctions; less developed legal systems, and deficiencies in regulatory oversight, market infrastructure, shareholder protections; differences in regulatory, accounting, auditing and financial reporting and recordkeeping standards; and less reliable securities custodial services and settlement practices.

#### **Value Investing Risk**

The Fund focuses its investments on the securities of companies that the Investment Adviser believes to be undervalued or inexpensive relative to other investments. These types of securities may present risks in addition to the general risks associated with investing in common and preferred stocks. These securities generally are selected on the basis of an issuer’s fundamentals relative to current market price. Such securities are subject to the risk of mis-estimation of certain fundamental factors. In addition, during certain time periods market dynamics may strongly favor “growth” stocks of issuers that do not display strong fundamentals relative to market price based upon positive price momentum and other factors. Disciplined adherence to a “value” investment mandate during such periods can result in significant underperformance relative to overall market indices and other managed investment vehicles that pursue growth style investments and/or flexible equity style mandates.

#### **Smaller Companies**

The Fund may invest in smaller companies that may benefit from the development of new products and services. These smaller companies may present greater opportunities for capital appreciation, and may also involve greater investment risk than larger, more established companies. For example, smaller companies may have

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more limited product lines, market, or financial resources, and their securities may trade less frequently and in lower volume than the securities of larger, more established companies. As a result, the prices of the securities of such smaller companies may fluctuate to a greater degree than the prices of securities of other issuers.

#### Fixed Income Securities

Fixed income securities in which the Fund may invest are generally subject to the following risks:

- **Interest Rate Risk.** The market value of bonds and other fixed-income or dividend paying securities changes in response to interest rate changes and other factors. Interest rate risk is the risk that prices of bonds and other income or dividend paying securities will increase as interest rates fall and decrease as interest rates rise. The Fund may be subject to a greater risk of rising interest rates during a period of historically low interest rates. The Federal Reserve raised and maintained the federal funds rate as part of its efforts to address rising inflation. In September 2024, the Federal Reserve lowered the federal funds rate and may announce additional rate cuts in the near future. Changing interest rates may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility, and could negatively impact the Fund's performance. There is a risk that a rise in interest rates will likely drive down prices of bonds and other fixed-income securities. The magnitude of these price reductions in the market price of bonds and other fixed-income securities is generally greater for those securities with longer maturities. Fluctuations in the market price of the Fund's investments will not affect interest income derived from instruments already owned by the Fund, but will be reflected in the Fund's NAV. The Fund may lose money if short-term or long-term interest rates rise sharply in a manner not anticipated by the Investment Adviser.
- **Issuer Risk.** Issuer risk is the risk that the value of an income or dividend paying security may decline for a number of reasons which directly relate to the issuer, such as management performance, financial leverage, reduced demand for the issuer's goods and services, historical and prospective earnings of the issuer, and the value of the assets of the issuer.
- **Credit Risk.** Credit risk is the risk that one or more income or dividend paying securities in the Fund's portfolio will decline in price or fail to pay interest/distributions or principal when due because the issuer of the security experiences a decline in its financial status. Credit risk is increased when a portfolio security is downgraded or the perceived creditworthiness of the issuer deteriorates.
- **Prepayment Risk.** Prepayment risk is the risk that during periods of declining interest rates, borrowers may exercise their option to prepay principal earlier than scheduled. For income or dividend paying securities, such payments often occur during periods of declining interest rates, forcing the Fund to re-invest in lower yielding securities, resulting in a possible decline in the Fund's income and distributions to shareholders.
- **Reinvestment Risk.** Reinvestment risk is the risk that income from the Fund's portfolio will decline if the Fund invests the proceeds from matured, traded or called fixed income securities at market interest rates that are below the Fund portfolio's current earnings rate.
- **Duration and Maturity Risk.** The Fund may incur costs in seeking to adjust the portfolio average duration or maturity. In comparison to maturity (which is the date on which the issuer of a debt instrument is obligated to repay the principal amount), duration is a measure of the price volatility of a debt instrument as a result in changes in market rates of interest, based on the weighted average timing of the instrument's expected principal and interest payments. Specifically, duration measures the anticipated percentage

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change in NAV that is expected for every percentage point change in interest rates. The two have an inverse relationship. For example, a duration of five years means that a 1% decrease in interest rates will increase the NAV of the portfolio by approximately 5%; if interest rates increase by 1%, the NAV will decrease by 5%. However, in a managed portfolio of fixed income securities having differing interest or dividend rates or payment schedules, maturities, redemption provisions, call or prepayment provisions and credit qualities, actual price changes in response to changes in interest rates may differ significantly from a duration-based estimate at any given time. Actual price movements experienced by a portfolio of fixed income securities will be affected by how interest rates move (i.e., changes in the relationship of long term interest rates to short term interest rates), the magnitude of any move in interest rates, actual and anticipated prepayments of principal through call or redemption features, the extension of maturities through restructuring, the sale of securities for portfolio management purposes, the reinvestment of proceeds from prepayments on and from sales of securities, and credit quality-related considerations whether associated with financing costs to lower credit quality borrowers or otherwise, as well as other factors. Accordingly, while duration maybe a useful tool to estimate potential price movements in relation to changes in interest rates, investors are cautioned that duration alone will not predict actual changes in the net asset or market value of the Fund's shares and that actual price movements in the Fund's portfolio may differ significantly from duration-based estimates. Duration differs from maturity in that it takes into account a security's yield, coupon payments and its principal payments in addition to the amount of time until the security matures. As the value of a security changes over time, so will its duration. There can be no assurance that the Investment Adviser's assessment of current and projected market conditions will be correct or that any strategy to adjust duration or maturity will be successful at any given time.

- **Liquidity Risk.** Certain fixed income securities in which the Fund invests may be or become illiquid. See "Certain Investment Practices – Restricted and Illiquid Securities."

#### Lower Grade Securities

Generally, lower grade securities and unrated securities of comparable quality offer a higher current yield than is offered by higher rated securities, but also (i) will likely have some quality and protective characteristics that, in the judgment of the rating organizations, are outweighed by large uncertainties or major risk exposures to adverse conditions and (ii) are predominantly speculative with respect to the issuer's capacity to pay interest and repay principal in accordance with the terms of the obligation. The market values of certain of these securities also tend to be more sensitive to individual corporate developments and changes in economic conditions than higher quality securities. In addition, such securities generally present a higher degree of credit risk. The risk of loss due to default by these issuers is significantly greater because such lower grade securities and unrated securities of comparable quality generally are unsecured and frequently are subordinated to the prior payment of senior indebtedness. In light of these risks, the Investment Adviser, in evaluating the creditworthiness of an issue, whether rated or unrated, will take various factors into consideration, which may include, as applicable, the issuer's operating history, financial resources and its sensitivity to economic conditions and trends, the market support for the facility financed by the issue, the perceived ability and integrity of the issuer's management, and regulatory matters.

In addition, the market value of lower securities is more volatile than that of higher quality securities, and the markets in which such lower grade or unrated securities are traded are more limited than those in which higher

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rated securities are traded. The existence of limited markets may make it more difficult for the Fund to obtain accurate market quotations for purposes of valuing its portfolio and calculating its NAV. Moreover, the lack of a liquid trading market may restrict the availability of securities for the Fund to purchase and may also have the effect of limiting the ability of the Fund to sell securities at their fair value in response to changes in the economy or the financial markets.

Lower grade securities also present risks based on payment expectations. If an issuer calls the obligation for redemption (often a feature of fixed income securities), the Fund may have to replace the security with a lower yielding security, resulting in a decreased return for investors. Also, as the principal value of nonconvertible bonds and preferred stocks moves inversely with movements in interest rates, in the event of rising interest rates the value of the securities held by the Fund may decline proportionately more than a portfolio consisting of higher rated securities. Investments in zero coupon bonds may be more speculative and subject to greater fluctuations in value due to changes in interest rates than bonds that pay regular income streams. See “-Fixed Income Securities-Interest Rate Risk” above.

As part of its investment in lower grade securities, the Fund may invest in securities of issuers in default. The Fund will make an investment in securities of issuers in default only when the Investment Adviser believes that such issuers will honor their obligations or emerge from bankruptcy protection under a plan pursuant to which the securities received by the Fund in exchange for its defaulted securities will have a value in excess of the Fund’s investment. By investing in securities of issuers in default, the Fund bears the risk that these issuers will not continue to honor their obligations or emerge from bankruptcy protection or that the value of the securities will not otherwise appreciate.

In addition to using recognized rating agencies and other sources, the Investment Adviser also performs its own analysis of issues in seeking investments that it believes to be underrated (and thus higher yielding) in light of the financial condition of the issuer. Its analysis of securities of issuers may include, among other things, current and anticipated cash flow and borrowing requirements, value of assets in relation to historical cost, strength of management, responsiveness to business conditions, credit standing, and current anticipated results of operations. In selecting investments for the Fund, the Investment Adviser may also consider general business conditions, anticipated changes in interest rates, and the outlook for specific industries.

Subsequent to its purchase by the Fund, an issuer of securities may cease to be rated or its rating may be reduced. In addition, it is possible that statistical rating agencies may change their ratings of a particular issuer to reflect subsequent events. Moreover, such ratings do not assess the risk of a decline in market value. None of these events will require the sale of the securities by the Fund, although the Investment Adviser will consider these events in determining whether the Fund should continue to hold the securities.

The market for lower grade and comparable unrated securities has experienced several periods of significantly adverse price and liquidity, particularly at or around times of economic recessions. Past market recessions have adversely affected the value of such securities as well as the ability of certain issuers of such securities to repay

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principal and pay interest thereon or to refinance such securities. The market for those securities may react in a similar fashion in the future.

#### **Special Risks of Derivative Transactions**

The Fund may participate in derivative transactions. Such transactions entail certain execution, market, liquidity, hedging and tax risks. Participation in the options, futures or swaps markets and in currency exchange transactions involves investment risks and transaction costs to which the Fund would not be subject absent the use of these strategies. If the Investment Adviser's prediction of movements in the direction of the securities, foreign currency and interest rate markets are inaccurate, the consequences to the Fund may leave the Fund in a worse position than if such strategies were not used. Risks inherent in the use of options, foreign currency, swaps contracts, futures contracts and options on futures contracts, swap contracts, securities indices and foreign currencies include:

- dependence on the Investment Adviser's ability to predict correctly movements in the direction of interest rates, securities prices and currency markets;
- imperfect correlation between the price of options and futures contracts and options thereon and movements in the prices of the securities or currencies being hedged;
- the fact that skills needed to use these strategies are different from those needed to select portfolio securities;
- the possible absence of a liquid secondary market for any particular instrument at any time;
- the possible need to defer closing out certain hedged positions to avoid adverse tax consequences;
- the possible inability of the Fund to purchase or sell a security at a time that otherwise would be favorable for it to do so; and
- the creditworthiness of counterparties.

Options, futures contracts, swaps contracts and options thereon and forward contracts on securities and currencies may be traded on foreign exchanges. Such transactions may not be regulated as effectively as similar transactions in the United States, may not involve a clearing mechanism and related guarantees, and are subject to the risk of governmental actions affecting trading in, or the prices of, foreign securities. The value of such positions also could be adversely affected by (i) other complex foreign political, legal and economic factors, (ii) lesser availability than in the United States of data on which to make trading decisions, (iii) delays in the ability of the Fund to act upon economic events occurring in the foreign markets during non-business hours in the United States, (iv) the imposition of different exercise and settlement terms and procedures and margin requirements than in the United States and (v) less trading volume. Exchanges on which options, futures, swaps and options on futures or swaps are traded may impose limits on the positions that the Fund may take in certain circumstances.

Many OTC derivatives are valued on the basis of dealers' pricing of these instruments. However, the price at which dealers value a particular derivative and the price which the same dealers would actually be willing to pay for such derivative should the Fund wish or be forced to sell such position may be materially different. Such differences can result in an overstatement of the Fund's NAV and may materially adversely affect the



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Fund in situations in which the Fund is required to sell derivative instruments. Exchange-traded derivatives and OTC derivative transactions submitted for clearing through a central counterparty have become subject to minimum initial and variation margin requirements set by the relevant clearinghouse, as well as possible margin requirements mandated by the SEC or the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. These regulators also have broad discretion to impose margin requirements on non-cleared OTC derivatives. These margin requirements will increase the overall costs for the Fund.

While hedging can reduce or eliminate losses, it can also reduce or eliminate gains. Hedges are sometimes subject to imperfect matching between the derivative and the underlying security, and there can be no assurance that the Fund's hedging transactions will be effective.

Derivatives may give rise to a form of leverage and may expose the Fund to greater risk and increase its costs.

Under Rule 18f-4 under the 1940 Act, among other things, the Fund must either use derivatives in a limited manner or comply with an outer limit on fund leverage risk based on value-at-risk. See “-Derivatives Transactions Subject to Rule 18f-4 Under the 1940 Act” below.

*Special Risk Considerations Relating to Futures and Options Thereon.* The Fund's ability to establish and close out positions in futures contracts and options thereon will be subject to the development and maintenance of liquid markets. Although the Fund generally will purchase or sell only those futures contracts and options thereon for which there appears to be a liquid market, there is no assurance that a liquid market on an exchange will exist for any particular futures contract or option thereon at any particular time.

In the event no liquid market exists for a particular futures contract or option thereon in which the Fund maintains a position, it may not be possible to effect a closing transaction in that contract or to do so at a satisfactory price and the Fund may have to either make or take delivery under the futures contract or, in the case of a written option, wait to sell the underlying securities until the option expires or is exercised or, in the case of a purchased option, exercise the option. In the case of a futures contract or an option thereon which the Fund has written and which the Fund is unable to close, the Fund would be required to maintain margin deposits on the futures contract or option thereon and to make variation margin payments until the contract is closed.

Successful use of futures contracts and options thereon and forward contracts by the Fund is subject to the ability of the Investment Adviser to predict correctly movements in the direction of interest and foreign currency rates. If the Investment Adviser's expectations are not met, the Fund will be in a worse position than if a hedging strategy had not been pursued. For example, if the Fund has hedged against the possibility of an increase in interest rates that would adversely affect the price of securities in its portfolio and the price of such securities increases instead, the Fund will lose part or all of the benefit of the increased value of its securities because it will have offsetting losses in its futures positions. In addition, in such situations, if the Fund has insufficient cash to meet daily variation margin requirements, it may have to sell securities to meet the requirements. These sales may be, but will not necessarily be, at increased prices that reflect the rising market. The Fund may have to sell securities at a time when it is disadvantageous to do so.

*Additional Risks of Foreign Options, Futures Contracts, Swaps Contracts, Options on Futures Contracts and Forward Contracts.* Options, futures contracts, swaps contracts and options thereon and forward contracts on securities and currencies may be traded on foreign exchanges. Such transactions may not be regulated

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as effectively as similar transactions in the United States, may not involve a clearing mechanism and related guarantees, and are subject to the risk of governmental actions affecting trading in, or the prices of, foreign securities. The value of such positions also could be adversely affected by (i) other complex foreign political, legal and economic factors, (ii) lesser availability than in the United States of data on which to make trading decisions, (iii) delays in the ability of the Fund to act upon economic events occurring in the foreign markets during non-business hours in the United States, (iv) the imposition of different exercise and settlement terms and procedures and margin requirements than in the United States and (v) less trading volume.

Exchanges on which options, futures, swaps and options on futures or swaps are traded may impose limits on the positions that the Fund may take in certain circumstances.

See “Risk Factors and Special Considerations – Futures Transactions.”

*Derivatives Transactions Subject to Rule 18f-4 Under the 1940 Act.* Rule 18f-4 under the 1940 Act governs the Fund’s use of derivative instruments and certain other transactions that create future payment and/or delivery obligations by the Fund. Rule 18f-4 permits the Fund to enter into Derivatives Transactions (as defined below) and certain other transactions notwithstanding the restrictions on the issuance of “senior securities” under Section 18 of the 1940 Act. Section 18 of the Investment Company Act, among other things, prohibits closed-end funds, including the Trust, from issuing or selling any “senior security” representing indebtedness (unless the fund maintains 300% “asset coverage”) or any senior security representing stock (unless the fund maintains 200% “asset coverage”). In connection with the adoption of Rule 18f-4, the SEC eliminated the asset segregation framework arising from prior SEC guidance for covering Derivatives Transactions and certain financial instruments.

Under Rule 18f-4, “Derivatives Transactions” include the following: (i) any swap, security-based swap (including a contract for differences), futures contract, forward contract, option (excluding purchased options), any combination of the foregoing, or any similar instrument, under which the Fund is or may be required to make any payment or delivery of cash or other assets during the life of the instrument or at maturity or early termination, whether as margin or settlement payment or otherwise; (ii) any short sale borrowing; (iii) reverse repurchase agreements and similar financing transactions, if the Fund elects to treat these transactions as Derivatives Transactions under Rule 18f-4; and (iv) when-issued or forward-settling securities (e.g., firm and standby commitments, including to-be-announced (“TBA”) commitments, and dollar rolls) and non-standard settlement cycle securities, unless the Fund intends to physically settle the transaction and the transaction will settle within 35 days of its trade date.

Unless the Fund is relying on the Limited Derivatives User Exception (as defined below), the Fund must comply with Rule 18f-4 with respect to its Derivatives Transactions. Rule 18f-4, among other things, requires the Fund to (i) appoint a Derivatives Risk Manager, (ii) maintain a Derivatives Risk Management Program designed to identify, assess, and reasonably manage the risks associated with Derivatives Transactions; (iii) comply with certain value-at-risk (VaR)-based leverage limits (VaR is an estimate of an instrument’s or portfolio’s potential losses over a given time horizon and at a specified confidence level); and (iv) comply with certain Board reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Rule 18f-4 provides an exception from the requirements to appoint a Derivatives Risk Manager, adopt a Derivatives Risk Management Program, comply with certain VaR-based leverage limits, and comply with certain



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Board oversight and reporting requirements if the Fund's "derivatives exposure" (as defined in Rule 18f-4) is limited to 10% of its net assets (as calculated in accordance with Rule 18f-4) and the Fund adopts and implements written policies and procedures reasonably designed to manage its derivatives risks (the "Limited Derivatives User Exception").

Pursuant to Rule 18f-4, if the Fund enters into reverse repurchase agreements or similar financing transactions, the Fund will (i) aggregate the amount of indebtedness associated with all of its reverse repurchase agreements or similar financing transactions with the amount of any other "senior securities" representing indebtedness (e.g., bank borrowings, if applicable) when calculating the Fund's asset coverage ratio or (ii) treat all such transactions as Derivatives Transactions.

The requirements of Rule 18f-4 may limit the Fund's ability to engage in Derivatives Transactions as part of its investment strategies. These requirements may also increase the cost of the Fund's investments and cost of doing business, which could adversely affect the value of the Fund's investments and/or the performance of the Fund.

#### **Futures Transactions**

The Fund may make investments in futures and options on futures. Risks include, but are not limited to, the following:

- no assurance that futures contracts or options on futures can be offset at favorable prices;
- possible reduction of the yield of the Fund due to the use of hedging;
- possible reduction in value of both the securities hedged and the hedging instrument;
- possible lack of liquidity due to daily limits or price fluctuations;
- imperfect correlation between the contracts and the securities being hedged; and
- losses from investing in futures transactions that are potentially unlimited.

#### **Swap Agreements**

Swap agreements involve the risk that the party with whom the Fund has entered into the swap will default on its obligation to pay the Fund and the risk that the Fund will not be able to meet its obligations to pay the other party to the agreement. Whether the Fund's use of swap agreements will be successful in furthering its investment objective will depend on the Investment Adviser's ability to correctly predict whether certain types of investments are likely to produce greater returns than other investments. Because they are two party contracts and because they may have terms of greater than seven days, some swap agreements may be considered by the Fund to be illiquid. Restrictions imposed by the tax rules applicable to regulated investment companies may limit the Fund's ability to use swap agreements. The swap market currently is largely unregulated. It is possible that developments in the swap market, including potential significant government regulation as a result of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 (the "Dodd-Frank Act") or otherwise, could adversely affect the Fund's ability to enter into or terminate swap agreements or to realize amounts to be received under these agreements. Swap transactions may involve substantial leverage.

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#### **Forward Currency Exchange Contracts**

The use of forward currency exchange contracts may involve certain risks, including the failure of the counterparty to perform its obligations under the contract and that the use of forward contracts may not serve as a complete hedge because of an imperfect correlation between movements in the prices of the contracts and the prices of the currencies hedged or used for cover.

*Risks of Currency Transactions.* Currency transactions are also subject to risks different from those of other portfolio transactions. Because currency control is of great importance to the issuing governments and influences economic planning and policy, purchases and sales of currency and related instruments can be adversely affected by government exchange controls, limitations or restrictions on repatriation of currency, and manipulation, or exchange restrictions imposed by governments. These forms of governmental action can result in losses to the Fund if it is unable to deliver or receive currency or monies in settlement of obligations and could also cause hedges it has entered into to be rendered useless, resulting in full currency exposure as well as incurring transaction costs.

#### **Interest Rate Transactions**

The Fund may enter into an interest rate swap or cap transaction. The use of interest rate swaps and caps is a highly specialized activity that involves certain risks to the Fund including, among others, counterparty risk and early termination risk.

#### **Counterparty Risk**

The Fund will be subject to credit risk with respect to the counterparties to the derivative contracts purchased by the Fund. If a counterparty becomes bankrupt or otherwise fails to perform its obligations under a derivative contract due to financial difficulties, the Fund may experience significant delays in obtaining any recovery under the derivative contract in bankruptcy or other reorganization proceeding. The Fund may obtain only a limited recovery or may obtain no recovery in such circumstances.

#### **Dodd-Frank Act Risk**

Title VII of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 (the “Dodd-Frank Act”) (the “Derivatives Title”) imposed a substantially new regulatory structure on derivatives markets, with particular emphasis on swaps (which are subject to oversight by the CFTC) and security-based swaps (which are subject to oversight by the SEC). The regulatory framework covers a broad range of swap market participants, including banks, non-banks, credit unions, insurance companies, broker-dealers and investment advisers. Prudential regulators were granted authority to regulate margining of swaps and security-based swaps of banks and bank-related entities.

Current regulations for swaps require the mandatory central clearing and mandatory exchange trading of particular types of interest rate swaps and index credit default swaps (together, “Covered Swaps”). The Fund is required to clear its Covered Swaps through a clearing broker, which requires, among other things, posting initial margin and variation margin to the Fund’s clearing broker in order to enter into and maintain positions

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in Covered Swaps. Covered Swaps generally are required to be executed through a swap execution facility (“SEF”), which can involve additional transaction fees.

Additionally, under the Dodd-Frank Act, with respect to uncleared swaps (both uncleared swaps and uncleared security-based swaps entered into with banks), swap dealers are required to collect from the Fund both initial and variation margin (comprised of specified liquid instruments and subject to a required haircut). Shares of investment companies (other than certain money market funds) may not be posted as collateral under applicable regulations. As capital and margin requirements for swap dealers and capital and margin requirements for security-based swaps are implemented, such requirements may make certain types of trades and/or trading strategies more costly. There may be market dislocations due to uncertainty during the implementation period of any new regulation and the Investment Adviser cannot know how the derivatives market will adjust to such new regulations.

In addition, regulations adopted by global prudential regulators that are now in effect require certain bank-regulated counterparties and certain of their affiliates to include in “qualified financial contracts,” including many derivatives contracts as well as repurchase agreements and securities lending agreements, terms that delay or restrict the rights of counterparties to terminate such contracts, foreclose upon collateral, exercise other default rights or restrict transfers of affiliate credit enhancements (such as guarantees) in the event that the bank-regulated counterparty and/or its affiliates are subject to certain types of resolution or insolvency proceedings.

#### Special Risks Related to Fund Investments in Preferred Securities

There are special risks associated with the Fund’s investing in preferred securities, including:

- **Deferral.** Preferred securities may include provisions that permit the issuer, at its discretion, to defer dividends or distributions for a stated period without any adverse consequences to the issuer. If the Fund owns a preferred security that is deferring its dividends or distributions, the Fund may be required to report income for tax purposes although it has not yet received such income.
- **Non-Cumulative Dividends.** Some preferred securities are non-cumulative, meaning that the dividends do not accumulate and need not ever be paid. A portion of the portfolio may include investments in non-cumulative preferred securities, whereby the issuer does not have an obligation to make up any arrearages to its shareholders. Should an issuer of a non-cumulative preferred security held by the Fund determine not to pay dividends or distributions on such security, the Fund’s return from that security may be adversely affected. There is no assurance that dividends or distributions on non-cumulative preferred securities in which the Fund invests will be declared or otherwise made payable.
- **Subordination.** Preferred securities are subordinated to bonds and other debt instruments in an issuer’s capital structure in terms of priority to corporate income and liquidation payments, and therefore will be subject to greater credit risk than more senior debt security instruments.
- **Liquidity.** Preferred securities may be substantially less liquid than many other securities, such as common stocks or U.S. government securities.
- **Limited Voting Rights.** Generally, preferred security holders (such as the Fund) have no voting rights with respect to the issuing company unless preferred dividends have been in arrears for a specified number of periods, at which time the preferred security holders may be entitled to elect a number of directors

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to the issuer's board. Generally, once all the arrearages have been paid, the preferred security holders no longer have voting rights.

- **Special Redemption Rights.** In certain varying circumstances, an issuer of preferred securities may redeem the securities prior to a specified date. For instance, for certain types of preferred securities, a redemption may be triggered by a change in federal income tax or securities laws. A redemption by the issuer may negatively impact the return of the security held by the Fund.
- **Phantom Income.** Some preferred securities are classified as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If a debt instrument is issued with original issue discount, the Fund could recognize taxable income in advance of the receipt of cash on the investment. This "phantom income" may require the Fund to liquidate other investments (including when it is not advantageous to do so) to meet its distribution requirements or otherwise qualify for treatment as a RIC.

#### Special Risks for Holders of Subscription Rights

The issuance of subscription rights to purchase our common shares may substantially dilute the aggregate NAV of the common shares owned by shareholders who do not fully exercise their rights in the offering. Shareholders who do not exercise their rights to purchase common stock will own a smaller proportional interest in the Fund than they did before the offering. In the case of subscription rights for preferred shares, there is a risk that changes in yield or changes in the credit quality of the Fund may result in the underlying preferred shares purchasable upon exercise of the subscription rights being less attractive to investors at the conclusion of the subscription period. This may reduce or eliminate the value of the subscription rights for the preferred shares. Investors who receive subscription rights may find that there is no market to sell rights they do not wish to exercise. If investors exercise only a portion of the rights, the number of preferred shares or common shares issued may be reduced, and the preferred shares or common shares may trade at less favorable prices than larger offerings for similar securities.

#### Management Risk

The Fund is subject to management risk because it is an actively managed portfolio. The Investment Adviser applies investment techniques and risk analyses in making investment decisions for the Fund, but there can be no guarantee that these will produce the desired results.

#### Portfolio Turnover

The Fund may have a high turnover ratio which may result in higher expenses and lower after-tax return to shareholders than if the Fund had a lower turnover ratio.

#### Dependence on Key Personnel

Mr. Mario J. Gabelli is a portfolio manager of the Fund. The Investment Adviser is dependent upon the expertise of Mr. Gabelli in providing advisory services with respect to the Fund's investments. If the Investment Adviser were to lose the services of Mr. Gabelli, its ability to service the Fund could be adversely affected. There can be no assurance that a suitable replacement could be found for Mr. Gabelli in the event of his death, resignation, retirement or inability to act on behalf of the Investment Adviser.

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#### **Coronavirus (“COVID-19”) and Global Health Event Risk**

An outbreak of a highly contagious novel coronavirus known as “COVID 19” that was first declared in December 2019 developed into a global pandemic that had a devastating impact on the global economy, including the U.S. economy, and resulted in a global economic recession. Although vaccines have been developed and approved for use by various governments, the duration of the pandemic and its effects cannot be predicted with certainty. Many states issued orders requiring the closure of non-essential businesses and/or requiring residents to stay at home. The COVID 19 pandemic and preventative measures taken to contain or mitigate its spread caused business shutdowns, cancellations of events and travel, significant reductions in demand for certain goods and services, reductions in business activity and financial transactions, supply chain interruptions and overall economic and financial market instability both globally and in the United States. The U.S. economy and most other major global economies may continue to experience a substantial economic downturn or recession, and our business and operations, as well as the business and operations of our portfolio companies, could be materially adversely affected by a prolonged economic downturn or recession in the United States and other major markets.

The impact of this coronavirus, and other epidemics and pandemics that may arise in the future, could affect the economies of many nations, individual companies and the market in general ways that cannot necessarily be foreseen at the present time. Public health crises caused by an outbreak may exacerbate other preexisting political, social and economic risks in certain countries or globally. These events could have a significant impact on the Fund’s performance, NAV, income, operating results and ability to pay distributions, as well as the performance, income, operating results and viability of issuers in which it invests.

#### **Market Disruption and Geopolitical Risk**

The consequences of the conflict between Russia and Ukraine, including international sanctions, further impact on inflation and increased disruption to supply chains may impact our portfolio companies, result in an economic downturn or recession either globally or locally in the U.S. or other economies, reduce business activity, spawn additional conflicts (whether in the form of traditional military action, reignited “cold” wars or in the form of virtual warfare such as cyberattacks) with similar and perhaps wider ranging impacts and consequences and have an adverse impact on the Fund’s returns and NAV.

The occurrence of events similar to those in recent years, such as localized wars, instability, new and ongoing pandemics (such as COVID-19), epidemics or outbreaks of infectious diseases in certain parts of the world, natural/environmental disasters, terrorist attacks in the United States and around the world, social and political discord, debt crises sovereign debt downgrades, increasingly strained relations between the United States and a number of foreign countries, new and continued political unrest in various countries, the exit or potential exit of one or more countries from the European Union (“EU”) or the Economic and Monetary Union, continued changes in the balance of political power among and within the branches of the U.S. government, government shutdowns, among others, may result in market volatility, may have long term effects on the U.S. and worldwide financial markets, and may cause further economic uncertainties in the United States and worldwide. The current contentious domestic political environment, as well as political and diplomatic events within the United States and abroad, such as the U.S. government’s inability at times to agree on a long-term budget and deficit reduction plan, may in the future result in government shutdowns, which could have a material adverse effect

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on the Fund's investments and operations. In addition, the Fund's ability to raise additional capital in the future through the sale of securities could be materially affected by a government shutdown. Additional and/ or prolonged U.S. government shutdowns may affect investor and consumer confidence and may adversely impact financial markets and the broader economy, perhaps suddenly and to a significant degree. In particular, the escalation of the conflict between Russia and Ukraine in Europe and the conflict between Hamas and Israel in the Middle East, including international sanctions, further impact on inflation and increased disruption to supply chains and regional trade, may impact our portfolio companies. Such unfavorable economic conditions also may also be expected to increase our funding costs, limit our access to the capital markets or result in a decision by lenders not to extend credit to us. The current political climate has intensified concerns about a potential trade war between China and the United States, as each country has recently imposed tariffs on the other country's products. These actions may trigger a significant reduction in international trade, the oversupply of certain manufactured goods, substantial price reductions of goods and possible failure of individual companies and/or large segments of China's export industry, which could have a negative impact on our performance. U.S. companies that source material and goods from China and those that make large amounts of sales in China would be particularly vulnerable to an escalation of trade tensions. Uncertainty regarding the outcome of the trade tensions and the potential for a trade war could cause the U.S. dollar to decline against safe haven currencies, such as the Japanese yen and the euro. Events such as these and their consequences are difficult to predict and it is unclear whether further tariffs may be imposed or other escalating actions may be taken in the future. Any of these effects could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

On January 31, 2020, the United Kingdom officially left the European Union ("Brexit"), subject to a transitional period that ended December 31, 2020. The United Kingdom and European Union have reached an agreement on the terms of their future trading relationship effective January 1, 2021, which principally relates to the trading of goods rather than services, including financial services. Further discussions are to be held between the United Kingdom and the European Union in relation to matters not covered by the trade agreement, such as financial services. The Fund faces risks associated with the potential uncertainty and consequences that may follow Brexit, including with respect to volatility in exchange rates and interest rates. Brexit could adversely affect European or worldwide political, regulatory, economic or market conditions and could contribute to instability in global political institutions, regulatory agencies and financial markets. Brexit has also led to legal uncertainty and could lead to politically divergent national laws and regulations as a new relationship between the United Kingdom and European Union is defined and the United Kingdom determines which European Union laws to replace or replicate. Any of these effects of Brexit could adversely affect any of the companies to which the Fund has exposure and any other assets that the Fund invests in. The political, economic and legal consequences of Brexit are not yet known. In the short term, financial markets may experience heightened volatility, particularly those in the United Kingdom and Europe, but possibly worldwide. The United Kingdom and Europe may be less stable than they have been in recent years, and investments in the United Kingdom and the European Union may be difficult to value or subject to greater or more frequent volatility. In the longer term, there is likely to be a period of significant political, regulatory and commercial uncertainty as the United Kingdom continues to negotiate the terms of its future trading relationship with the European Union.

While the extreme volatility and disruption that U.S. and global markets experienced for an extended period of time beginning in 2007 and 2008 had, until the recent coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, generally subsided,



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uncertainty and periods of volatility still remain, and risks to a robust resumption of growth persist. Federal Reserve policy, including with respect to certain interest rates, may adversely affect the value, volatility and liquidity of dividend and interest paying securities. Market volatility, dramatic changes to interest rates and/or a return to unfavorable economic conditions may lower the Fund's performance or impair the Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective.

Cybersecurity incidents affecting particular companies or industries may adversely affect the economies of particular countries, regions or parts of the work in which the Fund invests.

The occurrence of any of these above events could have a significant adverse impact on the value and risk profile of the Fund's portfolio. The Fund does not know how long the securities markets may be affected by similar events and cannot predict the effects of similar events in the future on the U.S. economy and securities markets. There can be no assurance that similar events and other market disruptions will not have other material and adverse implications.

#### **Economic Events and Market Risk**

Periods of market volatility may continue to occur in the future, in response to various political, social and economic events both within and outside of the United States. These conditions have resulted in, and in many cases continue to result in, greater price volatility, less liquidity, widening credit spreads and a lack of price transparency, with many securities remaining illiquid and of uncertain value. Such market conditions may adversely affect the Fund, including by making valuation of some of the Fund's securities uncertain and/or result in sudden and significant valuation increases or declines in the Fund's holdings. If there is a significant decline in the value of the Fund's portfolio, this may impact the asset coverage levels for the Fund's outstanding leverage.

Risks resulting from any future debt or other economic crisis could also have a detrimental impact on the global economic recovery, the financial condition of financial institutions and our business, financial condition and results of operation. Market and economic disruptions have affected, and may in the future affect, consumer confidence levels and spending, personal bankruptcy rates, levels of incurrence and default on consumer debt and home prices, among other factors. To the extent uncertainty regarding the U.S. or global economy negatively impacts consumer confidence and consumer credit factors, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be significantly and adversely affected. Downgrades to the credit ratings of major banks could result in increased borrowing costs for such banks and negatively affect the broader economy. Moreover, Federal Reserve policy, including with respect to certain interest rates, may also adversely affect the value, volatility and liquidity of dividend- and interest-paying securities. Market volatility, rising interest rates and/or a return to unfavorable economic conditions could impair the Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective.

#### **Regulation and Government Intervention Risk**

Federal, state, and other governments, their regulatory agencies or self-regulatory organizations may take actions that affect the regulation of the issuers in which the Fund invests in ways that are unforeseeable. Legislation or regulation may also change the way in which the Fund is regulated. Such legislation or regulation could limit or preclude the Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective.

In light of popular, political and judicial focus on finance related consumer protection, financial institution practices are also subject to greater scrutiny and criticism generally. In the case of transactions between



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financial institutions and the general public, there may be a greater tendency toward strict interpretation of terms and legal rights in favor of the consuming public, particularly where there is a real or perceived disparity in risk allocation and/or where consumers are perceived as not having had an opportunity to exercise informed consent to the transaction. In the event of conflicting interests between retail investors holding common shares of a closed-end investment company such as the Fund and a large financial institution, a court may similarly seek to strictly interpret terms and legal rights in favor of retail investors.

The Fund may be affected by governmental action in ways that are not foreseeable, and there is a possibility that such actions could have a significant adverse effect on the Fund and its ability to achieve its investment objective.

#### **Inflation Risk**

Inflation risk is the risk that the value of assets or income from investments will be worth less in the future as inflation decreases the value of money. Inflation rates may change frequently and drastically as a result of various factors, including unexpected shifts in the domestic or global economy. As inflation increases, the real value of the Fund's shares and distributions therefore may decline. In addition, during any periods of rising inflation, dividend rates of any debt securities issued by the Fund would likely increase, which would tend to further reduce returns to common shareholders.

#### **Deflation Risk**

Deflation risk is the risk that prices throughout the economy decline over time, which may have an adverse effect on the market valuation of companies, their assets and their revenues. In addition, deflation may have an adverse effect on the creditworthiness of issuers and may make issuer default more likely, which may result in a decline in the value of the Fund's portfolio.

#### **Leverage Risk**

The Fund currently uses, and intends to continue to use, leverage for investment purposes by issuing preferred shares. "Leverage" for these purposes means the ratio by which the aggregate amount of senior securities representing indebtedness of the Fund plus the aggregate involuntary liquidation preference of the Fund's preferred shares bears to the Fund's total assets. As of December 31, 2024, the amount of leverage represented approximately 20% of the Fund's total assets. All series of the Fund's preferred shares have the same seniority with respect to distributions and liquidation preference. Preferred shares have seniority over common shares with respect to distributions and upon liquidation of the Fund.

The Fund's leveraged capital structure creates special risks not associated with unleveraged funds having similar investment objectives and policies. The Fund's use of leverage, which can be described as exposure to changes in price at a ratio greater than the amount of equity invested, either through the issuance of preferred shares, borrowing or other forms of market exposure, magnifies both the favorable and unfavorable effects of price movements in the investments made by the Fund. The Fund's leveraged capital structure creates special risks not associated with unleveraged funds having similar investment objectives and policies. The Fund cannot assure that the issuance of preferred shares will result in a higher yield or return to the holders of the common

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shares. Also, as the Fund is utilizing leverage, a decline in NAV could affect the ability of the Fund to make common share distributions and such a failure to pay dividends or make distributions could result in the Fund ceasing to qualify as a regulated investment company under the Code.

- **Preferred Share Risk.** The issuance of preferred shares causes the NAV and market value of the common shares to become more volatile. If the dividend rate on the preferred shares approaches the net rate of return on the Fund's investment portfolio, the benefit of leverage to the holders of the common shares would be reduced. If the dividend rate on the preferred shares plus the management fee annual rate of 1.00% (as applicable) exceeds the net rate of return on the Fund's portfolio, the leverage will result in a lower rate of return to the holders of common shares than if the Fund had not issued preferred shares.

Any decline in the NAV of the Fund's investments would be borne entirely by the holders of common shares. Therefore, if the market value of the Fund's portfolio declines, the leverage will result in a greater decrease in NAV to the holders of common shares than if the Fund were not leveraged. This greater NAV decrease will also tend to cause a greater decline in the market price for the common shares. In such a case, the Fund might be in danger of failing to maintain the required asset coverage of the preferred shares or of losing its ratings (if any) on the preferred shares or, in an extreme case, the Fund's current investment income might not be sufficient to meet the dividend requirements on the preferred shares. In order to counteract such an event, the Fund might need to liquidate investments in order to fund a redemption of some or all of the preferred shares.

Holders of preferred shares may have different interests than holders of common shares and may at times have disproportionate influence over the Fund's affairs. Holders of preferred shares, voting separately as a single class, have the right to elect two members of the Board at all times and in the event dividends become two full years in arrears have the right to elect a majority of the Trustees until such arrearage is completely eliminated. In addition, preferred shareholders have class voting rights on certain matters, including changes in fundamental investment restrictions and conversion of the Fund to open-end status, and accordingly can veto any such changes.

Restrictions imposed on the declarations and payment of dividends or other distributions to the holders of the Fund's common shares and preferred shares, both by the 1940 Act and by requirements imposed by any rating agencies, might impair the Fund's ability to maintain its qualification as a regulated investment company for federal income tax purposes. While the Fund intends to redeem its preferred shares to the extent necessary to enable the Fund to distribute its income as required to maintain its qualification as a regulated investment company under the Code, there can be no assurance that such actions can be effected in time to meet the Code requirements.

- **Special Risks to Holders of Fixed Rate Preferred Shares**

***Illiquidity.*** Prior to the offering, there will be no public market for any additional series of Fixed Rate Preferred Shares. In the event any additional series of Fixed Rate Preferred Shares are issued, prior application may have been, but is not required to be, made to list such shares on a national securities exchange, which would be expected to be the NYSE. If no such application is made, there can be no assurances that any additional series of Fixed Rate Preferred Shares would be liquid at any time. If any

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additional series of Fixed Rate Preferred Shares are to be listed, during an initial period prior to listing, which would not be expected to exceed 30 days after the date of initial issuance, such shares may not be listed on any securities exchange. During such period, the underwriters may make a market in such shares, though, they will have no obligation to do so. Consequently, an investment in such shares may be illiquid during such period.

*Market Price Fluctuation.* Fixed Rate Preferred Shares that are listed on a national securities exchange may trade at a premium to or discount from liquidation value for various reasons, including changes in interest rates.

- **Special Risks to Holders of Notes.** There may not be an established market for our notes. To the extent that our notes trade, they may trade at a price either higher or lower than their principal amount depending on interest rates, the rating (if any) on such notes and other factors.
- **Special Risks to Holders of Notes and Preferred Shares**

*Common Share Repurchases.* Repurchases of common shares by the Fund may reduce the net asset coverage of the notes and preferred shares, which could adversely affect their liquidity or market prices, if such noted or preferred shares are listed on a national securities exchange.

*Common Share Distribution Policy.* In the event the Fund does not generate a total return from dividends and interest received and net realized capital gains in an amount at least equal to its distributions for a given year, the Fund may return capital as part of its distribution. This would decrease the asset coverage per share with respect to the Fund's notes or preferred shares, which could adversely affect their liquidity or market prices, if such notes or preferred shares are listed on a national securities exchange. See "Risk Factors and Special Considerations - Common Share Distribution Policy Risk."

*Credit Quality Ratings.* The Fund may obtain credit quality ratings for its preferred shares or notes, if desired; however, it is not required to do so and may issue preferred shares or notes without any rating. If rated, the Fund does not impose any minimum rating necessary to issue such preferred shares or notes. In order to obtain and maintain attractive credit quality ratings for preferred shares or borrowings, if desired, the Fund's portfolio must satisfy over-collateralization tests established by the relevant rating agencies. These tests are more difficult to satisfy to the extent the Fund's portfolio securities are of lower credit quality, longer maturity or not diversified by issuer and industry within the meaning of such rating agencies' over-collateralization tests. These guidelines could affect portfolio decisions and may be more stringent than those imposed by the 1940 Act. With respect to ratings (if any) of the notes or preferred shares, a rating by a ratings agency does not eliminate or necessarily mitigate the risks of investing in our preferred shares or notes, and a rating may not fully or accurately reflect all of the securities' credit risks. A rating does not address the liquidity or any other market risks of the securities being rated. A rating agency could downgrade the rating of our notes or preferred shares, which may make such securities less liquid in the secondary market. If a rating agency downgrades the rating assigned to our

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preferred shares or notes, we may alter our portfolio or redeem all or a portion of the preferred shares or notes that are then redeemable under certain circumstances.

- **Special Risks of Notes to Holders of Common Shares.** If the interest rate on the notes approaches the net rate of return on the Fund's investment portfolio, the benefit of leverage to the holders of the common shares would be reduced. Any decline in the NAV of the Fund's investments would be borne entirely by the holders of common shares. Therefore, if the market value of the Fund's portfolio declines, the leverage will result in a greater decrease in NAV to the holders of common shares than if the Fund were not leveraged. This greater NAV decrease will also tend to cause a greater decline in the market price for the common shares. The Fund might be in danger of failing to maintain the required asset coverage of the notes. Holders of notes may have different interests than holders of common shares and at times may have disproportionate influence over the Fund's affairs. In the event the Fund fails to maintain the specified level of asset coverage of any notes outstanding, the holders of the notes will have the right to elect a majority of the Fund's trustees.
- **Portfolio Guidelines of Rating Agencies for Preferred Shares and/or Credit Facility.** In order to obtain and maintain attractive credit quality ratings for preferred shares or borrowings, if desired, the Fund must comply with investment quality, diversification and other guidelines established by the relevant rating agencies. These tests tend to require over-collateralization and may be more difficult to satisfy to the extent the Fund's portfolio securities are of lower credit quality, longer maturity or not diversified by issuer and industry within the meaning of such rating agencies' collateralization tests. These guidelines could affect portfolio decisions and may be more stringent than those imposed by the 1940 Act. In the event that a rating on the Fund's preferred shares or notes is lowered or withdrawn by the relevant rating agency, the Fund may also be required to redeem all or part of its outstanding preferred shares or notes, and the common shares of the Fund will lose the potential benefits associated with a leveraged capital structure.
- **Impact on Common Shares.** Assuming that leverage will (1) be equal in amount to approximately 20% of the Fund's total net assets, and (2) charge interest or involve dividend payments at a projected blended annual average leverage dividend or interest rate of 5.20%, then the annual return generated by the Fund's portfolio (net of estimated expenses) must exceed approximately 1.20% of the Fund's total net assets in order to cover such interest or dividend payments and other expenses specifically related to leverage. These numbers are merely estimates, used for illustration. Actual dividend rates, interest or payment rates may vary frequently and may be significantly higher or lower than the rate estimated above. The following table is furnished in response to requirements of the SEC. It is designed to illustrate the effect of leverage on common share total return, assuming investment portfolio total returns (comprised of net investment income of the Fund, realized gains or losses of the Fund and changes in the value of the securities held in the Fund's portfolio) of -10%, -5%, 0%, 5% and 10%. These assumed investment portfolio returns are hypothetical figures and are not necessarily indicative of the investment portfolio returns experienced or expected to be experienced by the Fund. See "Risks." The table further

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reflects leverage representing 24% of the Fund’s total assets, the Fund’s current projected blended annual average leverage dividend or interest rate of 5.20%, a management fee at an annual rate of 1.00% of the liquidation preference of any outstanding preferred shares and estimated annual incremental expenses attributable to any outstanding preferred shares of 0.02% of the Fund’s net assets attributable to common shares.

<b>Assumed Return on Portfolio (Net of Expenses)</b>	<b>(10)%</b>	<b>(5)%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Common Shares Total Return<sup>r</sup></b>	<b>(15.13)%</b>	<b>(8.55)%</b>	<b>(1.97)%</b>	<b>4.61%</b>	<b>11.20%</b>

Common share total return is composed of two elements - the common share distributions paid by the Fund (the amount of which is largely determined by the taxable income of the Fund (including realized gains or losses) after paying interest on any debt and/or dividends on any preferred shares) and unrealized gains or losses on the value of the securities the Fund owns. As required by SEC rules, the table assumes that the Fund is more likely to suffer capital losses than to enjoy total return. For example, to assume a total return of 0% the Fund must assume that the income it receives on its investments is entirely offset by expenses and losses in the value of those investments. The Fund’s shares are leveraged and the risks and special considerations related to leverage described in this prospectus apply. Such leveraging of the shares cannot be fully achieved until the proceeds resulting from the use of leverage have been invested in accordance with the Fund’s investment objectives and policies.

**Potential Dilution in Rights Offerings**

To the extent that the Fund engages in a rights offering, shareholders who do not exercise their subscription rights may, at the completion of such an offering, own a smaller proportional interest in the Fund than if they exercised their subscription rights. As a result of such an offering, a shareholder also may experience dilution in NAV per share if the subscription price per share is below the NAV per share on the expiration date. Specifically, if the subscription price per share is below the NAV per share of the Fund’s shares on the expiration date of the rights offering, a shareholder will experience an immediate dilution of the aggregate NAV of their shares if the shareholder does not participate in the offering and the shareholder will experience a reduction in the NAV per share of their shares whether or not the shareholder participates in the offering. The Fund cannot state precisely the extent of this dilution (if any) if the shareholder does not exercise his or her subscription rights because the Fund does not know what the NAV per share will be when a rights offering expires or what proportion of the rights will be exercised.

There is also a risk that the Fund’s largest shareholders, record date shareholders of more than 5% of the outstanding common shares of the Fund, may increase their percentage ownership of the Fund through the exercise of the primary subscription and any over-subscription privilege.

**Common Share Distribution Policy Risk**

The Fund has adopted a policy, which may be changed at any time by the Board, of paying distributions on its common shares of \$0.15 per share per quarter. In the event the Fund does not generate a total return from

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dividends and interest received and net realized capital gains in an amount equal to or in excess of its stated distribution in a given year, the Fund may return capital as part of such distribution, which may have the effect of decreasing the asset coverage per share with respect to the Fund's preferred shares. Any return of capital should not be considered by investors as yield or total return on their investment in the Fund. Shareholders should not assume that a distribution from the Fund is comprised exclusively of net profits. For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund made distributions of \$0.60 per common share, approximately \$0.002 of which was deemed a return of capital. The Fund has made quarterly distributions with respect to its common shares since June 2012. A portion of the distributions to holders of common shares during five of the seventeen fiscal years since the Fund's inception has constituted a return of capital. The composition of each distribution is estimated based on the earnings of the Fund as of the record date for each distribution. The actual composition of each of the current year's distributions will be based on the Fund's investment activity through the end of the calendar year.

#### **Legislation Risk**

At any time after the date of this report, legislation may be enacted that could negatively affect the assets of the Fund. Legislation or regulation may change the way in which the Fund itself is regulated. The Investment Adviser cannot predict the effects of any new governmental regulation that may be implemented and there can be no assurance that any new governmental regulation will not adversely affect the Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective.

#### **Reliance on Service Providers Risk**

The Fund must rely upon the performance of service providers to perform certain functions, which may include functions that are integral to the Fund's operations and financial performance. Failure by any service provider to carry out its obligations to the Fund in accordance with the terms of its appointment, to exercise due care and skill or to perform its obligations to the Fund at all as a result of insolvency, bankruptcy or other causes could have a material adverse effect on the Fund's performance and returns to shareholders. The termination of the Fund's relationship with any service provider, or any delay in appointing a replacement for such service provider, could materially disrupt the business of the Fund and could have a material adverse effect on the Fund's performance and returns to shareholders.

#### **Cyber Security Risk**

The Fund and its service providers are susceptible to cyber security risks that include, among other things, theft, unauthorized monitoring, release, misuse, loss, destruction or corruption of confidential and highly restricted data; denial of service attacks; unauthorized access to relevant systems, compromises to networks or devices that the Fund and its service providers use to service the Fund's operations; or operational disruption or failures in the physical infrastructure or operating systems that support the Fund and its service providers. Cyber attacks against or security breakdowns of the Fund or its service providers may adversely impact the Fund and its shareholders, potentially resulting in, among other things, financial losses; the inability of Fund shareholders to transact business and the Fund to process transactions; inability to calculate the Fund's NAV; violations of applicable privacy and other laws; regulatory fines, penalties, reputational damage, reimbursement



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or other compensation costs; and/or additional compliance costs. The Fund may incur additional costs for cyber security risk management and remediation purposes. In addition, cyber security risks may also impact issuers of securities in which the Fund invests, which may cause the Fund's investment in such issuers to lose value. There can be no assurance that the Fund or its service providers will not suffer losses relating to cyber attacks or other information security breaches in the future.

#### **Misconduct of Employees and of Service Providers Risk**

or misrepresentations by employees of the Investment Adviser or the Fund's service providers could cause significant losses to the Fund. Employee misconduct may include binding the Fund to transactions that exceed authorized limits or present unacceptable risks and unauthorized trading activities, concealing unsuccessful trading activities (which, in any case, may result in unknown and unmanaged risks or losses) or making misrepresentations regarding any of the foregoing. Losses could also result from actions by the Fund's service providers, including, without limitation, failing to recognize trades and misappropriating assets. In addition, employees and service providers may improperly use or disclose confidential information, which could result in litigation or serious financial harm, including limiting the Fund's business prospects or future marketing activities. Despite the Investment Adviser's due diligence efforts, misconduct and intentional misrepresentations may be undetected or not fully comprehended, thereby potentially undermining the Investment Adviser's due diligence efforts. As a result, no assurances can be given that the due diligence performed by the Investment Adviser will identify or prevent any such misconduct.

#### **Anti-Takeover Provisions of the Fund's Governing Documents**

The Fund's Agreement and Declaration of Trust as amended and supplemented (including the statements of preferences thereto) and bylaws, as amended from time to time, include provisions that could limit the ability of other entities or persons to acquire control of the Fund or convert the Fund to an open-end fund.

#### **Status as a Regulated Investment Company**

The Fund has qualified, and intends to remain qualified, for federal income tax purposes as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Code. Qualification requires, among other things, compliance by the Fund with certain distribution requirements. Statutory limitations on distributions on the common shares if the Fund fails to satisfy the 1940 Act's asset coverage requirements could jeopardize the Fund's ability to meet such distribution requirements. The Fund presently intends, however, to purchase or redeem preferred shares to the extent necessary in order to maintain compliance with such asset coverage requirements.

#### **Temporary Investments**

During temporary defensive periods and during inopportune periods to be fully invested, the Fund may invest in U.S. government securities, including U.S. Treasury securities, and in money market mutual funds that invest in those securities. Obligations of certain agencies and instrumentalities of the U.S. government, such as the Government National Mortgage Association, are supported by the "full faith and credit" of the U.S. government; others, such as those of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, are supported by the right of the issuer to borrow from the U.S. Treasury; others, such as those of the Federal National Mortgage Association, are



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supported by the discretionary authority of the U.S. government to purchase the agency's obligations; and still others, such as those of the Student Loan Marketing Association, are supported only by the credit of the instrumentality. No assurance can be given that the U.S. government would provide financial support to U.S. government-sponsored instrumentalities if it is not obligated to do so by law.

**Investment Restrictions**

The Fund has adopted certain investment limitations designed to limit investment risk and maintain portfolio diversification. These limitations are fundamental and may not be changed without the approval of the holders of a majority, as defined in the 1940 Act, of the outstanding common shares and preferred shares voting together as a single class. The Fund may become subject to guidelines that are more limiting than the investment restrictions set forth above in order to obtain and maintain ratings from a credit rating agency on its preferred shares. See "Leverage Risk — Portfolio Guidelines of Rating Agencies for Preferred Shares and/or Credit Facility."

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**Senior Securities / leverage**

As of December 31, 2024, the Fund uses leverage through the issuance of preferred shares.

**Effects of Leverage**

The following information is furnished in response to requirements of the SEC. It is designed to, among other things, illustrate the effects of leverage through the use of senior securities, as that term is defined under Section 18 of the 1940 Act, on Common Share total return, assuming investment portfolio total returns (consisting of income and changes in the value of investments held in a Fund's portfolio) of -10%, -5%, 0%, 5% and 10%. The table below reflects the Fund's continued use of preferred shares, as of December 31, 2024 as a percentage of total managed assets (including assets attributable to such leverage), the estimated annual effective preferred shares dividend rate and interest expense rate payable by the Fund on such instruments (based on market conditions as of December 31, 2024), and the annual return that the Fund's portfolio must experience (net of expenses) in order to cover such costs. The information below does not reflect the Fund's use of certain other forms of economic leverage achieved through the use of other instruments or transactions not considered to be senior securities under the 1940 Act, such as derivative instruments.

The assumed investment portfolio returns in the table below are hypothetical figures and are not necessarily indicative of the investment portfolio returns experienced or expected to be experienced by the Fund. Your actual returns may be greater or less than those appearing below.

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Preferred Shares as a Percentage of Total Managed Assets (Including Assets Attributable to Preferred Shares) .....	19%
Estimated Annual Effective Preferred Share Dividend Rate .....	5.20%
Annual Return Fund Portfolio Must Experience (net of expenses) to Cover	
Estimated Annual Effective Preferred Share Dividend Rate .....	1.26%
Common Share Total Return for (10.00)% Assumed Portfolio Total Return ....	(15.13)%
Common Share Total Return for (5.00)% Assumed Portfolio Total Return ....	(8.55)%
Common Share Total Return for 0.00% Assumed Portfolio Total Return .....	(1.97)%
Common Share Total Return for 5.00% Assumed Portfolio Total Return .....	4.61%
Common Share Total Return for 10.00% Assumed Portfolio Total Return .....	11.20%

Common shares total return is composed of two elements - the distributions paid by a Fund to holders of common shares (the amount of which is largely determined by the net investment income of the Fund after paying dividend payments on any preferred shares issued by the Fund and expenses on any forms of leverage outstanding) and gains or losses on the value of the securities and other instruments the Fund owns. As required by SEC rules, the table assumes that a Fund is more likely to suffer capital losses than to enjoy capital appreciation. For example, to assume a total return of 0%, a Fund must assume that the income it receives on its investments is entirely offset by losses in the value of those investments. This table reflects hypothetical performance of the Fund's portfolio and not the actual performance of the Fund's common shares, the value of which is determined by market forces and other factors. Should the Fund elect to add additional leverage to its portfolio, any benefits of such additional leverage cannot be fully achieved until the proceeds resulting from the use of such leverage have been received by the Fund and invested in accordance with the Fund's investment objectives and policies. As noted above, the Fund's willingness to use additional leverage, and the extent to which leverage is used at any time, will depend on many factors, including, among other things, the Fund's assessment of the yield curve environment, interest rate trends, market conditions and other factors.

### SUMMARY OF FUND EXPENSES

The following table shows the Fund's expenses, which are borne directly or indirectly by holders of the Fund's common shares, including preferred shares offering expenses, as a percentage of net assets attributable to common shares. All expenses of the Fund will be borne, directly or indirectly, by the common shareholders. Amounts are for the current fiscal year.

<u>Annual Expenses</u>	<u>Percentages of Net Assets Attributable to Common Shares</u>
Management Fees(a) .....	1.25%
Interest Expense(b) .....	1.28%
Other Expenses(c) .....	0.37%
Total Annual Expenses .....	2.90%
Total Annual Expenses and Dividends on Preferred Shares(d) .....	2.90%

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- (a) The Investment Adviser’s fee is 1.00% annually of the Fund’s average weekly net assets. The Fund’s average weekly net assets will be deemed to be the average weekly value of the Fund’s total assets minus the sum of the Fund’s liabilities (such liabilities exclude (i) the aggregate liquidation preference of outstanding shares of preferred stock and accumulated dividends, if any, on those shares and (ii) the liabilities for any money borrowed). Consequently, because the Fund has preferred stock outstanding, the investment management fees and other expenses as a percentage of net assets attributable to common stock will be higher than if the Fund did not utilize a leveraged capital structure.
- (b) The Series E Preferred Shares have a mandatory redemption date of December 26, 2025 and the Series G Preferred Shares have a mandatory redemption date of June 26, 2025. Therefore, for financial reporting purposes only, the dividends paid on the Series E Preferred Shares and Series G Preferred Shares are included as a component of “Interest Expense.”
- (c) “Other Expenses” are based on amounts for the year ended December 31, 2024.

The following example illustrates the expenses you would pay on a \$1,000 investment in common shares, assuming a 5% annual portfolio total return.\*

	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Total Expenses Incurred. . . . .	\$29	\$90	\$153	\$323

\* The example should not be considered a representation of future expenses. The example is based on Total Annual Expenses and Dividends on Preferred Shares shown in the table above and assumes that the amounts set forth in the table do not change and that all distributions are reinvested at NAV. Actual expenses may be greater or less than those assumed. Moreover, the Fund’s actual rate of return may be greater or less than the hypothetical 5% return shown in the example.

The above example includes Dividends on Preferred Shares. If Dividends on Preferred Shares were not included in the example calculation, the expenses would be as follows (based on the same assumptions as above).

	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Total Expenses Incurred. . . . .	\$16	\$51	\$88	\$192

Share Price Data

The following table sets forth for the quarters indicated, the high and low closing prices on the NYSE per share of the Fund’s common shares and the NAV and the premium or discount from NAV at which the common shares was trading, expressed as a percentage of NAV, at each of the high and low NYSE closing prices provided.

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	Common Share Market Price		Corresponding Net Asset Value ("NAV") Per Share		Corresponding Premium or Discount as a % of NAV	
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
<b>Quarter Ended</b>						
March 31, 2023 .....	\$10.56	\$9.49	\$12.47	\$11.38	(15.32)%	(16.61)%
June 30, 2023 .....	\$10.34	\$9.50	\$12.55	\$11.46	(17.61)%	(17.10)%
September 30, 2023 .....	\$10.12	\$8.57	\$12.28	\$10.70	(17.59)%	(19.91)%
December 31, 2023 .....	\$9.35	\$7.74	\$11.49	\$9.81	(18.62)%	(21.10)%
March 31, 2024 .....	\$10.24	\$9.34	\$12.43	\$11.58	(17.62)%	(19.34)%
June 30, 2024 .....	\$10.10	\$9.24	\$12.32	\$11.34	(18.02)%	(18.52)%
September 30, 2024 .....	\$11.18	\$9.40	\$12.62	\$11.16	(11.41)%	(15.77)%
December 31, 2024 .....	\$10.96	\$9.56	\$12.56	\$10.93	(12.74)%	(12.53)%

#### Portfolio Managers

Effective July 1, 2024, Daniel Barasa became a member of the portfolio management team. Mr. Barasa joined Gabelli Funds in 2022 as an analyst covering the pharmaceuticals, insurance, value-based care and life sciences (CROs) industries. Previously, he worked as an actuary at Cigna and New York Life.

#### Unresolved Staff Comments

The Fund does not believe that there are any material unresolved written comments, received 180 days or more before December 31, 2024 from the Staff of the SEC regarding any of the Fund's periodic or current reports under the Securities Exchange Act or the Investment Company Act, or its registration statement.

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### Selected data for a common share of beneficial interest outstanding throughout each period:

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
<b>Operating Performance:</b>					
Net asset value, beginning of year . . . . .	\$10.95	\$11.74	\$10.86	\$11.79	\$11.76
Net investment income/(loss) . . . . .	0.02	0.07	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.03)
Net realized and unrealized gain/(loss) on investments, and foreign currency transactions . . . . .	2.87	(0.23)	1.61	(0.21)	0.75
Total from investment operations . . . . .	2.89	(0.16)	1.60	(0.23)	0.72
<b>Distributions to Preferred Shareholders:(a)</b>					
Net investment income . . . . .	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.01)	—	—
Net realized short term/long term gain . . . . .	(0.20)	(0.18)	(0.19)	(0.19)	(0.19)
Total distributions to preferred shareholders . . . . .	(0.21)	(0.20)	(0.20)	(0.19)	(0.19)
<b>Net Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets Attributable to Common Shareholders Resulting from Operations . . . . .</b>	<b>2.68</b>	<b>(0.36)</b>	<b>1.40</b>	<b>(0.42)</b>	<b>0.53</b>
<b>Distributions to Common Shareholders:</b>					
Net investment income . . . . .	(0.02)	(0.05)	(0.00)(b)	—	—
Net realized short term/long term gain . . . . .	(0.53)	(0.47)	(0.51)	(0.52)	(0.51)
Return of capital . . . . .	(0.01)	—	(0.01)	—	—
Total distributions to common shareholders . . . . .	(0.56)	(0.52)	(0.52)	(0.52)	(0.51)
<b>Fund Share Transactions:</b>					
Increase in net asset value from repurchase of common shares . . . . .	0.03	0.09	0.00(b)	—	0.01
Offering costs and adjustment to offering costs for common shares charged to paid-in capital . . . . .	—	0.00(b)	—	—	(0.00)(b)
Increase in net asset value from offering of preferred shares . . . . .	—	—	—	0.01	—
Total Fund share transactions . . . . .	0.03	0.09	0.00(b)	0.01	0.01
<b>Net Asset Value Attributable to Common Shareholders, End of Year . . . .</b>	<b>\$13.10</b>	<b>\$10.95</b>	<b>\$11.74</b>	<b>\$10.86</b>	<b>\$11.79</b>
NAV total return † . . . . .	25.22%	(2.65)%	13.02%	(3.63)%	4.55%
Market value, end of year . . . . .	\$11.52	\$ 9.25	\$10.33	\$ 9.43	\$10.25
Investment total return †† . . . . .	31.16%	(5.78)%	15.17%	(3.15)%	3.14%

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### Selected data for a common share of beneficial interest outstanding throughout each period:

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
<b>Ratios to Average Net Assets and Supplemental Data:</b>					
Net assets including liquidation value of preferred shares, end of year (in 000's) . . . . .	\$305,775	\$271,649	\$299,680	\$282,611	\$299,097
Net assets attributable to common shares, end of year (in 000's) . . . . .	\$238,739	\$204,613	\$232,644	\$215,575	\$234,097
Ratio of net investment income/(loss) to average net assets attributable to common shares before preferred share distributions . . . . .	0.20%	0.60%	(0.07)%	(0.20)%	(0.22)%
Ratio of operating expenses to average net assets attributable to common shares (c)(d) . . . . .	1.57%	1.61%	1.65%	1.62%	1.60%
Portfolio turnover rate . . . . .	24.9%	32.4%	34.3%	31.7%	52.4%
<b>Cumulative Preferred Shares:</b>					
<b>5.760% Series A Preferred</b> . . . . .					
Liquidation value, end of year (in 000's) . . . . .	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
Total shares outstanding (in 000's) . . . . .	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
Liquidation preference per share . . . . .	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Average market value (e) . . . . .	\$ 25.86	\$ 25.43	\$ 25.89	\$ 26.12	\$ 25.96
Asset coverage per share (f) . . . . .	\$ 114.03	\$ 101.31	\$ 111.76	\$ 105.40	\$ 115.04
<b>5.875% Series B Preferred</b> . . . . .					
Liquidation value, end of year (in 000's) . . . . .	\$ 37,036	\$ 37,036	\$ 37,036	\$ 37,036	\$ 35,000
Total shares outstanding (in 000's) . . . . .	1,481	1,481	1,481	1,481	1,400
Liquidation preference per share . . . . .	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Average market value (e) . . . . .	\$ 26.03	\$ 25.83	\$ 26.67	\$ 26.76	\$ 26.09
Asset coverage per share (f) . . . . .	\$ 114.03	\$ 101.31	\$ 111.76	\$ 105.40	\$ 115.04
<b>Asset Coverage(g)</b> . . . . .	456%	405%	447%	422%	460%

† Based on net asset value per share at commencement of operations of \$8.00 per share, adjusted for reinvestment of distributions at the net asset value per share on ex-dividend dates including the effect of shares issued pursuant to the rights offerings, assuming full subscription by shareholders.

†† Based on market value per share at initial public offering of \$8.00 per share, adjusted for reinvestment of distributions at prices determined under the Fund's dividend reinvestment plan including the effect of shares issued pursuant to the rights offerings, assuming full subscription by shareholders.

(a) Calculated based on average common shares outstanding on the record dates throughout the years.

(b) Amount represents less than \$0.005 per share.

(c) The Fund received credits from a designated broker who agreed to pay certain Fund operating expenses. Had such payments not been made, this expense ratio for the year ended December 31, 2015 would have been 1.27%. For the years ended December 31, 2019, 2018, 2017, and 2016, there was no impact on the expense ratios.

(d) Ratio of operating expenses to average net assets including liquidation value of preferred shares for the years ended December 31, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, and 2015 would have been 1.21%, 1.25%, 1.27%, 1.26%, and 1.26%, respectively.

(e) Based on weekly prices.

(f) Asset coverage per share is calculated by combining all series of preferred shares.

(g) Asset coverage is calculated by combining all series of preferred shares.

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#### **AUTOMATIC DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT AND VOLUNTARY CASH PURCHASE PLAN**

Under the Fund's Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan and Voluntary Cash Purchase Plan (the "Plan"), a shareholder whose shares of common stock are registered in his or her own name will have all distributions reinvested automatically by Computershare Trust Company, N.A. ("Computershare"), which is an agent under the Plan, unless the shareholder elects to receive cash. Distributions with respect to shares registered in the name of a broker-dealer or other nominee (that is, in "street name") will be reinvested by the broker or nominee in additional shares under the Plan, unless the service is not provided by the broker or nominee or the shareholder elects to receive distributions in cash. Investors who own shares of common stock registered in street name should consult their broker-dealers for details regarding reinvestment. All distributions to investors who do not participate in the Plan will be paid by check mailed directly to the record holder by Computershare as dividend-disbursing agent.

#### **Enrollment in the Plan**

It is the policy of The Gabelli Healthcare & Wellness<sup>Rx</sup> Trust (the "Fund") to automatically reinvest dividends. As a "registered" shareholder you automatically become a participant in the Fund's Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan (the "Plan"). The Plan authorizes the Fund to credit common shares to participants upon an income dividend or a capital gains distribution regardless of whether the shares are trading at a discount or a premium to net asset value. All distributions to shareholders whose shares are registered in their own names will be automatically reinvested pursuant to the Plan in additional shares of the Fund. Plan participants may send their shares certificates to Computershare Trust Company, N.A. ("Computershare") to be held in their dividend reinvestment account. Registered shareholders wishing to receive their distribution in cash may submit this request through the Internet, by telephone or in writing to:

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c/o Computershare

P.O. Box 43006

Providence, RI 02940-3006

Telephone: (800) 336-6983

Website: [www.computershare.com/investor](http://www.computershare.com/investor)

Shareholders requesting this cash election must include the shareholder's name and address as they appear on the share certificate. Shareholders with additional questions regarding the Plan requesting a copy of the terms of the Plan, may contact Computershare at the website or telephone number above.

If your shares are held in the name of a broker, bank, or nominee, you should contact such institution. If such institution is not participating in the Plan, your account will be credited with a cash dividend. In order to participate in the Plan through such institution, it may be necessary for you to have your shares taken out of



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“street name” and re-registered in your own name. Once registered in your own name your dividends will be automatically reinvested. Certain brokers participate in the Plan. Shareholders holding shares in “street name” at participating institutions will have dividends automatically reinvested. Shareholders wishing a cash dividend at such institution must contact their broker to make this change.

The number of common shares distributed to participants in the Plan in lieu of cash dividends is determined in the following manner. Under the Plan, whenever the market price of the Fund’s common shares is equal to or exceeds net asset value at the time shares are valued for purposes of determining the number of shares equivalent to the cash dividends or capital gains distribution, participants are issued common shares valued at the greater of (i) the net asset value as most recently determined or (ii) 95% of the then current market price of the Fund’s common shares. The valuation date is the dividend or distribution payment date or, if that date is not a NYSE trading day, the next trading day. If the net asset value of the common shares at the time of valuation exceeds the market price of the common shares, participants will receive shares from the Fund valued at market price. If the Fund should declare a dividend or capital gains distribution payable only in cash, Computershare will buy common shares in the open market, or on the NYSE or elsewhere, for the participants’ accounts, except that Computershare will endeavor to terminate purchases in the open market and cause the Fund to issue shares at net asset value if, following the commencement of such purchases, the market value of the common shares exceeds the then current net asset value.

The automatic reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions will not relieve participants of any income tax which may be payable on such distributions. A participant in the Plan will be treated for federal income tax purposes as having received, on a dividend payment date, a dividend or distribution in an amount equal to the cash the participant could have received instead of shares.

#### **Voluntary Cash Purchase Plan**

The Voluntary Cash Purchase Plan is yet another vehicle for our shareholders to increase their investment in the Fund. In order to participate in the Voluntary Cash Purchase Plan, shareholders must have their shares registered in their own name.

Participants in the Voluntary Cash Purchase Plan have the option of making additional cash payments to Computershare for investments in the Fund’s shares at the then current market price. Shareholders may send an amount from \$250 to \$10,000. Computershare will use these funds to purchase shares in the open market on or about the 1st and 15th of each month. Computershare will charge each shareholder who participates \$0.75, plus a per share fee (currently \$0.02 per share). Per share fees include any applicable brokerage commissions Computershare is required to pay and fees for such purchases are expected to be less than the usual fees for such transactions. It is suggested that any voluntary cash payments be sent to Computershare, P.O. Box 6006, Carol Stream, IL 60197-6006 such that Computershare receives such payments approximately three business days before the 1st and 15th of the month. Funds not received at least three business days before the investment date shall be held for investment until the next purchase date. Computershare will wait up to three business days after receipt of a check to ensure it receives good funds and will then seek to purchase shares for voluntary cash payments on the voluntary cash payment date. A payment may be withdrawn without charge if notice is received by Computershare at least two business days before such payment is to be invested.

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Shareholders wishing to liquidate shares held at Computershare may do so through the Internet, in writing or by telephone to the above-mentioned website, address or telephone number. Include in your request your name, address, and account number. Computershare will sell such shares through a broker-dealer selected by Computershare within 5 business days of receipt of the request. The sale price will equal the weighted average price of all shares sold through the Plan on the day of the sale, less applicable fees. Participants should note that Computershare is unable to accept instructions to sell on a specific date or at a specific price. The cost to liquidate shares is \$2.50 per transaction as well as the per share fee (currently \$0.10 per share) Per share fees include any applicable brokerage commissions Computershare is required to pay and are expected to be less than the usual fees for such transactions.

For more information regarding the Dividend Reinvestment Plan and Voluntary Cash Purchase Plan, brochures are available by calling (914) 921-5070 or by writing directly to the Fund.

The Fund reserves the right to amend or terminate the Plans as applied to any voluntary cash payments made and any dividend or distribution paid subsequent to written notice of the change sent to the members of the Plan at least 30 days before the record date for such dividend or distribution. The Plan also may be amended or terminated by Computershare on at least 30 days written notice to participants in the Plan.

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### MANAGEMENT OF THE FUND

#### Trustees and Officers

The business and affairs of the Fund are managed under the direction of the Fund's Board of Trustees. Information pertaining to the Trustees and Officers of the Fund is set forth below. The Fund's Statement of Additional Information includes additional information about the Fund Trustees and is available without charge, upon request, by calling 800-GABELLI (800-422-3554) or by writing to The Gabelli Healthcare & Wellness<sup>Rx</sup> Trust at One Corporate Center, Rye, NY 10580-1422.

<u>Name, Position(s) Address<sup>1</sup> and Year of Birth</u>	<u>Term of Office and Length of Time Served<sup>2</sup></u>	<u>Number of Funds in Fund Complex Overseen by Trustee<sup>3</sup></u>	<u>Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years</u>	<u>Other Directorships Held by Trustee<sup>3</sup></u>
<b><u>INTERESTED TRUSTEES<sup>4</sup>:</u></b>				
<b>Mario J. Gabelli, CFA</b> Chairman and Chief Investment Officer 1942	Since 2007**	31	Chairman, Co-Chief Executive Officer, and Chief Investment Officer— Value Portfolios of GAMCO Investors, Inc. and Chief Investment Officer – Value Portfolios of Gabelli Funds, LLC and GAMCO Asset Management, Inc.; Director/Trustee or Chief Investment Officer of other registered investment companies within the Gabelli Fund Complex; Chief Executive Officer of GGCP, Inc.; Executive Chair of Associated Capital Group, Inc.	Director of Morgan Group Holding Co. (holding company) (2001-2019); Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of LICT Corp. (multimedia and communication services company); Director of CIBL, Inc. (broadcasting and wireless communications); Director of ICTC Group Inc. (communications) (2013-2018)
<b>Jeffrey J. Jonas</b> Trustee 1981	Since 2016*	1	Portfolio Manager for Gabelli Funds, LLC, GAMCO Asset Management Inc., and Gabelli & Company Investment Advisers, Inc.	—
<b>Agnes Mullady</b> Trustee 1958	Since 2021**	14	Senior Vice President of GAMCO Investors, Inc. (2008 - 2019); Executive Vice President of Associated Capital Group, Inc. (November 2016 - 2019); President and Chief Operating Officer of the Fund Division of Gabelli Funds, LLC (2010 - 2019); Vice President of Gabelli Funds, LLC (2006 - 2019); Chief Executive Officer of G.distributors, LLC (2011 - 2019); and an officer of all of the Gabelli/ Teton Funds (2006 - 2019)	GAMCO Investors, Inc.

#### **INDEPENDENT TRUSTEES<sup>5</sup>:**

<b>Calgary Avansino<sup>8</sup></b> Trustee 1975	Since 2021***	5	Chief Executive Officer, Glamcam (2018- 2020)	Trustee, Cate School; Trustee, the E.L. Wiegand Foundation; Member, the Common Sense Media Advisory Council
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<u>Name, Position(s) Address<sup>1</sup> and Year of Birth</u>	<u>Term of Office and Length of Time Served<sup>2</sup></u>	<u>Number of Funds in Fund Complex Overseen by Trustee<sup>3</sup></u>	<u>Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years</u>	<u>Other Directorships Held by Trustee<sup>3</sup></u>
<b>James P. Conn<sup>6</sup></b> Trustee 1938	Since 2007*	23	Former Managing Director and Chief Investment Officer of Financial Security Assurance Holdings Ltd. (1992-1998)	—
<b>Vincent D. Enright<sup>6,7</sup></b> Trustee 1943	Since 2007**	17	Former Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of KeySpan Corp. (public utility) (1994-1998)	Director of Echo Therapeutics, Inc. (therapeutics and diagnostics) (2008-2014); Director of The LGL Group, Inc. (diversified manufacturing) (2011-2014)
<b>Leslie F. Foley<sup>8</sup></b> Trustee 1968	Since 2017***	16	Attorney; Serves on the Board of the Addison Gallery of American Art at Phillips Academy Andover; Vice President, Global Ethics & Compliance and Associate General Counsel for News Corporation (2008-2010)	—
<b>Robert C. Kolodny</b> Trustee 1944	Since 2007***	2	Physician; Medical Director and Chairman of the Board of the Behavioral Medicine Institute; Managing Member of KBS Management LLC (investment adviser); Managing General Partner of KBS Partnership, KBS III Investment Partnership, KBS IV Limited Partnership (1990-2016), KBS New Dimensions, L.P. (1993-2015), Kolodny Family Limited Partnership (private investment partnerships)	—
<b>Anthonie C. van Ekris<sup>7</sup></b> Trustee 1934	Since 2007**	23	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of BALMAC International, Inc. (global import/export company)	—
<b>Salvatore J. Zizza<sup>9</sup></b> Trustee 1945	Since 2007***	35	President, Zizza & Associates Corp. (private holding company); Chairman of Bergen Cove Realty Inc. (residential real estate)	Director and Chairman of Trans-Lux Corporation (business services); Director and Chairman of Harbor Diversified Inc. (pharmaceuticals) (2009-2018); Retired Chairman of BAM (semiconductor and aerospace manufacturing); Director of Bion Environmental Technologies, Inc.

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<b>OFFICERS:</b>		
<b>John C. Ball</b> President, Treasurer, Principal Financial & Accounting Officer 1976	Since 2017	Senior Vice President (since 2018) of GAMCO Investors, Inc.; Chief Executive Officer, G. Distributors, LLC since 2020; Officer of registered investment companies within the Gabelli Fund Complex since 2017
<b>Peter Goldstein</b> Secretary & Vice President 1953	Since 2020	General Counsel, GAMCO Investors, Inc. and Chief Legal Officer, Associated Capital Group, Inc. since 2021; General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer, Buckingham Capital Management, Inc. (2012-2020); Chief Legal Officer and Chief Compliance Officer, The Buckingham Research Group, Inc. (2012-2020)
<b>Richard J. Walz</b> Chief Compliance Officer 1959	Since 2013	Chief Compliance Officer of registered investment companies within the Gabelli Fund Complex since 2013
<b>Bethany A. Uhlein</b> Vice President and Ombudsman 1990	Since 2017	Vice President and/or Ombudsman of closed-end funds within the Gabelli Fund Complex since 2017; Senior Vice President (since 2021) of GAMCO Investors, Inc.
<b>David I. Schachter</b> Vice President 1953	Since 2007	Vice President and/or Ombudsman of closed-end funds within the Gabelli Fund Complex; Senior Vice President (since 2015) of G.research, LLC
<b>Adam E. Tokar</b> Vice President 1980	Since 2007	Vice President and/or Ombudsman of closed-end funds within the Gabelli Fund Complex

<sup>1</sup> Address: One Corporate Center, Rye, NY 10580-1422, unless otherwise noted.

<sup>2</sup> The Fund's Board of Trustees is divided into three classes, each class having a term of three years. Each year the term of office of one class expires and the successor or successors elected to such class serve for a three year term. The three year term for each class expires as follows:

\* Term expires at the Fund's 2025 Annual Meeting of Shareholders or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

\*\* Term expires at the Fund's 2026 Annual Meeting of Shareholders or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

\*\*\* Term expires at the Fund's 2027 Annual Meeting of Shareholders or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

Each officer will hold office for an indefinite term until the date he or she resigns or retires or until his or her successor is elected and qualified.

<sup>3</sup> This column includes only directorships of companies required to report to the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, i.e., public companies, or other investment companies registered under the 1940 Act.

<sup>4</sup> "Interested person" of the Fund as defined in the 1940 Act. Messrs. Gabelli, Jonas and Ms. Mullady are considered "interested persons" because of their affiliation with Gabelli Funds, LLC which acts as the Fund's investment adviser.

<sup>5</sup> Trustees who are not considered to be "interested persons" of the Fund as defined in the 1940 Act are considered to be "Independent" Trustees.

<sup>6</sup> This Trustee is elected solely by and represents the shareholders of the preferred shares issued by the Fund.

<sup>7</sup> Mr. van Ekris is an independent director of Gabelli International Ltd., Gabelli Fund LDC, Gama Capital Opportunities Master Ltd., and

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GAMCO International SICAV, Mr. Birch is an independent director of Gabelli Merger Plus+ Trust Plc and an independent director of the GAMCO International SICAV, and Mr. Enright is an independent director of The LGL Group, Inc., all of which may be deemed to be controlled by Mario J. Gabelli and/or affiliates and, in that event, would be deemed to be under common control with the Fund's Adviser.

<sup>8</sup> Ms. Foley's father, Frank J. Fahrenkopf, Jr., serve as a director of other funds in the Fund Complex. Ms. Avansino is the daughter of Raymond C. Avansino, Jr., who is a Director of GAMCO Investors, Inc., the parent company of the Fund's Adviser.

<sup>9</sup> Dr. Kolodny is the managing general partner of the following private investment partnerships for which GAMCO Asset Management Inc. (GAMCO), a registered investment adviser under common control with the Manager, serves as an investment adviser providing portfolio management for these entities and receives an advisory fee: KBS Partnership (KBS) and KBS III Investment Partnership (KBS III). For the calendar years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, GAMCO received the following amounts for the services it provided to these private investment partnerships: (i) KBS - \$32,158 and \$36,440 and (ii) KBS III - \$64,336 and \$71,364, respectively.

<sup>10</sup> Mr. Zizza is an independent director of Gabelli International Ltd., which may be deemed to be controlled by Mario J. Gabelli and/or affiliates and in that event would be deemed to be under common control with the Fund's Adviser. On September 9, 2015, Mr. Zizza entered into a settlement with the SEC to resolve an inquiry relating to an alleged violation regarding the making of false statements or omissions to the accountants of a company concerning a related party transaction. The company in question is not an affiliate of, nor has any connection to, the Fund. Under the terms of the settlement, Mr. Zizza, without admitting or denying the SEC's findings and allegation, paid \$150,000 and agreed to cease and desist committing or causing any future violations of Rule 13b2-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The Board has discussed this matter and has determined that it does not disqualify Mr. Zizza from serving as an independent director.

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**Cash Dividends and Distributions**

	Payable Date	Record Date	Ordinary Investment Income (a)	Long Term Capital Gains	Return of Capital (b)	Total Amount Paid Per Share (c)	Dividend Reinvestment Price
<b>Common Stock</b>							
	03/21/24	03/14/24	\$0.02000	\$0.13000	—	\$0.15000	\$10.00570
	06/21/24	06/13/24	0.02000	0.13000	—	0.15000	9.61880
	09/23/24	09/16/24	0.02000	0.13000	—	0.15000	11.18940
	12/20/24	12/13/24	0.02000	0.13000	—	0.15000	9.74390
			<u>\$0.08000</u>	<u>\$0.52000</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>\$0.60000</u>	
<b>4.000% Series E Cumulative Preferred Shares</b>							
	03/26/24	03/19/24	\$0.0200000	\$0.1300000	—	\$0.1500000	
	06/26/24	06/18/24	0.0204420	\$0.1095580	—	0.1300000	
	09/26/24	09/19/24	0.0204420	\$0.1095580	—	0.1300000	
	12/26/24	12/18/24	0.0204420	\$0.1095580	—	0.1300000	
			<u>\$0.0813260</u>	<u>\$0.4586740</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>\$0.5400000</u>	
<b>5.200% Series G Cumulative Preferred Shares</b>							
	06/26/24	06/18/24	\$0.0409000	\$0.2191000	—	\$0.2600000	
	12/26/24	12/18/24	0.0409000	0.2191000	—	0.2600000	
			<u>\$0.0818000</u>	<u>\$0.4382000</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>\$0.5200000</u>	

A Form 1099-DIV has been mailed to all shareholders of record which sets forth specific amounts to be included in your 2024 tax returns. Ordinary distributions include net investment income and realized net short-term capital gains. Ordinary income is reported in box 1a of Form 1099-DIV. Capital gain distributions are reported in box 2a of Form 1099-DIV.

The long term gain distributions for the year ended December 31, 2024 were \$7,428,117 or the maximum amount.

Amounts less than \$0.005 per share are not presented.

**Corporate Dividends Received Deduction, Qualified Dividend Income, and U.S. Government Securities Income**

In 2024, the Fund paid to common, 4.000% Series E Cumulative Preferred, and 5.200% Series G Cumulative Preferred Stock shareholders ordinary income dividends of \$0.094, \$0.0793560, and \$0.081800 per share, respectively. For 2024, 100% of the ordinary dividend qualified for the dividend received deduction available to corporations, 100% of the ordinary income distribution was deemed qualified dividend income, and 18.77% of ordinary income distribution was qualified interest income. The Fund designates 100% of the ordinary income distribution as qualified short term gain pursuant to the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004. The percentage of ordinary income dividends paid by the Fund during 2024 derived from U.S. Government securities was 3.8%. Such income is exempt from state and local taxes in all states. However, many states, including New York and California, allow a tax exemption for a portion of the income earned only if a mutual fund has invested at least 50% of its assets at the end of each quarter of its fiscal year in U.S. Government securities. The Fund did not meet this strict requirement in 2024. The percentage of U.S. Government securities held as of December 31, 2024 was 4.6%.



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**Historical Distribution Summary**

	<b>Investment Income (a)</b>	<b>Short Term Capital Gains (a)</b>	<b>Long Term Capital Gains</b>	<b>Return of Capital (b)</b>	<b>Total Distributions (c)</b>	<b>Adjustment to Cost Basis (d)</b>
<b>Common Shares</b>						
2024 .....	\$0.04000	\$0.04000	\$0.52000	—	\$0.60000	—
2023 .....	0.03000	—	0.54800	\$0.02200	0.60000	\$0.02200
2022 .....	0.01575	—	0.57761	0.00664	0.60000	0.00664
2021 .....	0.00240	0.01940	0.93820	—	0.96000	—
2020 .....	0.00740	—	0.57260	—	0.58000	—
2019 .....	0.01750	0.19070	0.34100	0.01080	0.56000	0.01080
2018 .....	0.05004	0.23560	0.23436	—	0.52000	—
2017 .....	0.00114	0.02873	0.48277	0.00736	0.52000	0.00736
2016 .....	—	0.04890	0.47110	—	0.52000	—
2015 .....	—	0.10070	0.40930	—	0.51000	—
<b>5.760% Series A Cumulative Preferred Shares</b>						
2020 .....	\$0.00521	—	\$0.40679	—	\$0.41200	—
2019 .....	0.04565	\$0.49990	0.89441	—	1.44000	—
2018 .....	0.13856	0.65248	0.64896	—	1.44000	—
2017 .....	0.00322	0.08075	1.35603	—	1.44000	—
2016 .....	—	0.13560	1.30440	—	1.44000	—
2015 .....	—	0.28380	1.15620	—	1.44000	—
<b>5.875% Series B Cumulative Preferred Shares</b>						
2020 .....	\$0.01844	—	\$1.44215	—	\$1.46059	—
2019 .....	0.04655	\$0.50992	0.91228	—	1.46875	—
2018 .....	0.14134	0.66550	0.66190	—	1.46875	—
2017 .....	0.00327	0.08237	1.38311	—	1.46875	—
2016 .....	—	0.13821	1.33054	—	1.46875	—
2015 .....	—	0.28937	1.17938	—	1.46875	—
<b>4.000% Series C Cumulative Preferred Shares</b>						
2022 .....	\$0.02120	—	\$0.77880	—	\$0.80000	—
2021 .....	0.00198	\$0.01628	0.79952	—	0.81778	—
<b>4.000% Series E Cumulative Preferred Stock</b>						
2024 .....	\$0.03184	\$0.04752	\$0.42531	—	\$0.50467	—
2023 .....	0.02080	—	0.37920	—	0.40000	—
2022 .....	0.01060	—	0.38940	—	0.40000	—
2021 .....	0.00020	0.00163	0.07706	—	0.07889	—
<b>Series G Cumulative Preferred Stock</b>						
2024 .....	\$0.03280	\$0.04900	\$0.43820	—	\$0.52000	—
2023 .....	0.02536	—	0.46286	—	0.48822	—

(a) Taxable as ordinary income for Federal tax purposes.

(b) Non-taxable.

(c) Total amounts may differ due to rounding.

(d) Decrease in cost basis.

(e) On May 22, 2014, the Fund also distributed Rights equivalent to \$0.77 per common share based upon full subscription of all issued shares.

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All designations are based on financial information available as of the date of this annual report and, accordingly, are subject to change. For each item, it is the intention of the Fund to designate the maximum amount permitted under the Internal Revenue Code and the regulations thereunder.

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## Who are we?

The Gabelli Healthcare & Wellness<sup>RX</sup> Trust is a closed-end management investment company registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment Company Act of 1940. We are managed by Gabelli Funds, LLC, which is affiliated with GAMCO Investors, Inc., a publicly held company that has subsidiaries that provide investment advisory services for a variety of clients.

## What kind of non-public information do we collect about you if you become a fund shareholder?

When you purchase shares of the Fund on the New York Stock Exchange, you have the option of registering directly with our transfer agent in order, for example, to participate in our dividend reinvestment plan.

- *Information you give us on your application form.* This could include your name, address, telephone number, social security number, bank account number, and other information.
- *Information about your transactions with us.* This would include information about the shares that you buy or sell; it may also include information about whether you sell or exercise rights that we have issued from time to time. If we hire someone else to provide services — like a transfer agent — we will also have information about the transactions that you conduct through them.

## What information do we disclose and to whom do we disclose it?

We do not disclose any non-public personal information about our customers or former customers to anyone other than our affiliates, our service providers who need to know such information, and as otherwise permitted by law. If you want to find out what the law permits, you can read the privacy rules adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission. They are in volume 17 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 248. The Commission often posts information about its regulations on its website, [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

## What do we do to protect your personal information?

We restrict access to non-public personal information about you to the people who need to know that information in order to provide services to you or the fund and to ensure that we are complying with the laws governing the securities business. We maintain physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards to keep your personal information confidential.

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**Portfolio Management Team Biographies**



**Mario J. Gabelli, CFA**, is Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and Chief Investment Officer - Value Portfolios of GAMCO Investors, Inc. that he founded in 1977, and Chief Investment Officer - Value Portfolios of Gabelli Funds, LLC and GAMCO Asset Management, Inc. He is also Executive Chairman of Associated Capital Group, Inc. Mr. Gabelli is a summa cum laude graduate of Fordham University and holds an MBA degree from Columbia Business School and Honorary Doctorates from Fordham University and Roger Williams University.



**Kevin V. Dreyer** joined Gabelli in 2005 as a research analyst covering companies within the consumer sector. Currently he is a Managing Director and Co-Chief Investment Officer for GAMCO Investors, Inc.'s Value team. In addition, he serves as a portfolio manager of Gabelli Funds, LLC and manages several funds within the Fund Complex. Mr. Dreyer received a BSE from the University of Pennsylvania and an MBA degree from Columbia Business School.



**Jeffrey J. Jonas, CFA**, joined Gabelli in 2003 as a research analyst focusing on companies across the healthcare industry. He also serves as a portfolio manager of Gabelli Funds, LLC and manages several funds within the Fund Complex. Mr. Jonas was a Presidential Scholar at Boston College, where he received a BS in Finance and Management Information Systems.



**Daniel Barasa**, joined Gabelli Funds in 2022 as an analyst covering the pharmaceuticals, insurance, value-based care and life sciences (CROs) industries. Previously, he worked as an actuary at Cigna and New York Life. Mr. Barasa graduated summa cum laude from Berea College with a BA in Economics and Mathematics and holds an MBA from Harvard Business School. He is also a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries and a member of the American Academy of Actuaries.

The Net Asset Value per share appears in the Publicly Traded Funds column, under the heading "Specialized Equity Funds," in Monday's The Wall Street Journal. It is also listed in Barron's Mutual Funds/Closed End Funds section under the heading "Specialized Equity Funds."

The Net Asset Value per share may be obtained each day by calling (914) 921-5070 or visiting [www.gabelli.com](http://www.gabelli.com).

The NASDAQ symbol for the Net Asset Value is "XXGRX."

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 23(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, that the Fund may, from time to time, purchase its common shares in the open market when the Fund's shares are trading at a discount of 10% or more from the net asset value of the shares. The Fund may also, from time to time, purchase its preferred shares in the open market when the preferred shares are trading at a discount to the liquidation value.



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