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Trustees' Statement to Shareholders

The Trustees believe current and prospective shareholders should know how we discharge our responsibilities in overseeing the Funds' investment advisor and in reviewing the advisor's contract for renewal. Since 2005, we have issued a statement which sets out clearly the three principal guidelines that we follow in overseeing the Trust's investment advisor on your behalf. In accordance with our customary practice, in September of this year we again reviewed our statement and concluded we should reissue this statement outlining the principal features of our oversight of the advisor's performance of investment management services for the Funds.

We begin with the premise that each shareholder selected his or her Fund because its investments are managed by the investment advisor identified in the prospectus and in accordance with the objective and policies described in the prospectus. We realize, as each of you do, that if you believe that your Fund's stated objective and policies no longer serve your personal investment goals, you can sell your shares and leave the Fund.

Therefore, we believe that our primary oversight task – our principal obligation to you – is to assess the nature and quality of the advisor's services, and to confirm that the advisor actively and competently pursues the Fund's objective, in accordance with the policies set out in the prospectus. To do this, we meet regularly with management to review your Fund's portfolio and to discuss the advisor's specific actions and judgments in pursuing the Fund's objective. We do not substitute our own judgment for the advisor's decisions in selecting investments; the advisor is paid to exercise its informed judgment on investment decisions, and we seek to confirm, in reviewing the advisor's performance, that the advisor is doing just that.

Second, we are conscious of costs and the effect that costs have on shareholders' returns. We try to make sure that your Fund's fees and costs are reasonable in relationship to the services rendered and that they are generally in line with those charged by other expert investment advisors, consistent with our belief that the Fund's investors searched for and expect that expertise and attention and have decided to pay a reasonable price for it. We do not put the management contract "out to bid" as a matter of course, and we would not do so unless we had concluded that the advisor materially had failed to pursue the Fund's objectives in accordance with its policies, or for other equally important reasons. We believe that any other approach would be inconsistent with your interests and contrary to your expectations when you bought shares of the Fund in the first place.

Finally, because we believe that most Thornburg Fund shareholders have invested with a long-term perspective, we try not to focus too much on short-term performance. The market will not favor any specific investment objective or set of policies at all times and under all economic circumstances. A fund will experience periods of both high and low returns relative to other funds and other investments. Even if one of your Funds is not favored by the market at a particular time, we believe that the advisor is nonetheless obliged to remain true to the Fund's objective and policies, and we watch to see that it does so.

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