

# **Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund**

December 31, 2025

Annual Financial Statements

# Independent auditor's report

To the Unitholders of

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| Evolve Active Canadian Preferred Share Fund                 | Evolve FANGMA Index ETF                                   |
| Evolve Active Core Fixed Income Fund                        | Evolve Future Leadership Fund                             |
| Evolve Active Global Fixed Income Fund                      | Evolve Global Healthcare Enhanced Yield Fund              |
| Evolve Artificial Intelligence Fund                         | Evolve Global Materials & Mining Enhanced Yield Index ETF |
| Evolve Automobile Innovation Index Fund                     | Evolve Innovation Index Fund                              |
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| Evolve Canadian Energy Enhanced Yield Index Fund            | Evolve NASDAQ Technology Index Fund                       |
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| Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund         | Evolve S&P/TSX 60 Enhanced Yield Fund                     |
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| Evolve E-Gaming Index ETF                                   | Premium Cash Management Fund                              |
| Evolve Enhanced Yield Bond Fund                             | US High Interest Savings Account Fund                     |
| Evolve Enhanced Yield Mid Term Bond Fund                    | US Premium Cash Management Fund                           |
| Evolve European Banks Enhanced Yield ETF                    |                                                           |

[collectively, the "Funds"]

## Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the Funds, which comprise the statements of financial position as at December 31, 2025 and 2024 [as applicable], and the statements of comprehensive income, statements of changes in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units and statements of cash flows for the periods then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Funds as at December 31, 2025 and 2024 [as applicable], and their financial performance and their cash flows for the periods then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ["IFRSs"].

## Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Funds in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Other information**

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Management Report of Fund Performance of the Funds.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information, and in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

We obtained the Management Report of Fund Performance of the Funds prior to the date of this auditor's report. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact in this auditor's report. We have nothing to report in this regard.

### **Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the financial statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRSs, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Funds' ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Funds or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Funds' financial reporting process.

### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Funds' internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Funds' ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Funds to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Osbert Liu.

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Chartered Professional Accountants  
Licensed Public Accountants

Toronto, Canada  
March 24, 2026

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# Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund

## Statements of Financial Position

(in Canadian dollars, except for number of units)

| As at (Note 1)                                                         | December 31,<br>2025<br>(\$) | December 31,<br>2024<br>(\$) |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Assets</b>                                                          |                              |                              |
| <b>Current assets</b>                                                  |                              |                              |
| Investments, at fair value                                             | 342,524,694                  | 97,173,978                   |
| Cash                                                                   | 6,908,944                    | 444,471                      |
| Interest, dividends and other receivables                              | 1,804,659                    | 592,862                      |
|                                                                        | <b>351,238,297</b>           | <b>98,211,311</b>            |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                                                     |                              |                              |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>                                             |                              |                              |
| Demand loan from Prime Broker (Note 3)                                 | 68,798,762                   | 18,784,291                   |
| Redemptions payable                                                    | 408,225                      | 250,282                      |
| Distributions payable to holders of redeemable units                   | 4,190,552                    | 1,156,954                    |
| Derivative liabilities                                                 | 490,800                      | 12,015                       |
| Accrued expenses                                                       | 203,343                      | 60,637                       |
|                                                                        | <b>74,091,682</b>            | <b>20,264,179</b>            |
| <b>Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units</b>          | <b>277,146,615</b>           | <b>77,947,132</b>            |
| <b>Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units</b>          |                              |                              |
| Unhedged ETF Units                                                     | 253,294,362                  | 71,536,606                   |
| Unhedged Class A                                                       | 5,927,697                    | 345,692                      |
| Unhedged Class F                                                       | 17,924,556                   | 6,064,834                    |
| <b>Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit</b> |                              |                              |
| Unhedged ETF Units                                                     | 9.05                         | 9.11                         |
| Unhedged Class A                                                       | 9.07                         | 9.23                         |
| Unhedged Class F                                                       | 9.20                         | 9.25                         |

Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors of Evolve Funds Group Inc., Manager and Trustee:



**Raj Lala**  
Chief Executive Officer & Director



**Scharlet Diradour**  
Chief Financial Officer & Chief Compliance Officer

# Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund

## Statements of Comprehensive Income

(in Canadian dollars, except for number of units)

|                                                                                                               | December 31,<br>2025<br>(\$) | December 31,<br>2024<br>(\$) |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| For the years/periods ended (Note 1)                                                                          |                              |                              |
| <b>Income (loss)</b>                                                                                          |                              |                              |
| Interest for distribution purposes                                                                            | -                            | 2                            |
| Dividend income                                                                                               | 9,638,279                    | 1,106,719                    |
| <b>Changes in fair value of investments</b>                                                                   |                              |                              |
| Net realized gain (loss)                                                                                      | 4,010,531                    | (235,828)                    |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)                                                          | 15,223,255                   | (4,229,231)                  |
| <b>Changes in fair value of derivative financial instruments</b>                                              |                              |                              |
| Net realized gain (loss)                                                                                      | (3,006,746)                  | (56,998)                     |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)                                                          | (116,110)                    | 40,610                       |
| <b>Total income (loss)</b>                                                                                    | <b>25,749,209</b>            | <b>(3,374,726)</b>           |
| <b>Expenses</b>                                                                                               |                              |                              |
| Management fees (Note 4)                                                                                      | 1,045,501                    | 80,658                       |
| Administrative fees (Note 4)                                                                                  | 253,507                      | 20,561                       |
| Interest expense and bank charges                                                                             | 1,175,071                    | 123,917                      |
| Transaction costs (Note 2)                                                                                    | 296,914                      | 35,534                       |
| <b>Total expenses</b>                                                                                         | <b>2,770,993</b>             | <b>260,670</b>               |
| <b>Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units from operations</b>          | <b>22,978,216</b>            | <b>(3,635,396)</b>           |
| <b>Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units from operations</b>          |                              |                              |
| Unhedged ETF Units                                                                                            | 20,778,501                   | (3,355,591)                  |
| Unhedged Class A                                                                                              | 385,152                      | (18,690)                     |
| Unhedged Class F                                                                                              | 1,814,563                    | (261,115)                    |
| <b>Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units from operations per unit</b> |                              |                              |
| Unhedged ETF Units                                                                                            | 1.42                         | (0.95)                       |
| Unhedged Class A                                                                                              | 1.29                         | (1.05)                       |
| Unhedged Class F                                                                                              | 1.43                         | (0.63)                       |

# Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund

## Statements of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Units

(in Canadian dollars, except for number of units)

|                                                                                                      | December 31,<br>2025<br>(\$) | December 31,<br>2024<br>(\$) |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| For the years/periods ended (Note 1)                                                                 |                              |                              |
| <b>Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units - beginning of period</b>                  |                              |                              |
| Unhedged ETF Units                                                                                   | 71,536,606                   | -                            |
| Unhedged Class A                                                                                     | 345,692                      | -                            |
| Unhedged Class F                                                                                     | 6,064,834                    | -                            |
| <b>Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units - beginning of period</b>                  | <b>77,947,132</b>            | <b>-</b>                     |
| <b>Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units from operations</b> |                              |                              |
| Unhedged ETF Units                                                                                   | 20,778,501                   | (3,355,591)                  |
| Unhedged Class A                                                                                     | 385,152                      | (18,690)                     |
| Unhedged Class F                                                                                     | 1,814,563                    | (261,115)                    |
|                                                                                                      | <b>22,978,216</b>            | <b>(3,635,396)</b>           |
| <b>Distributions to holders of redeemable units</b>                                                  |                              |                              |
| <b>Net investment income</b>                                                                         |                              |                              |
| Unhedged ETF Units                                                                                   | (4,225,016)                  | (60,028)                     |
| Unhedged Class A                                                                                     | (37,419)                     | (362)                        |
| Unhedged Class F                                                                                     | (399,914)                    | (6,601)                      |
|                                                                                                      | <b>(4,662,349)</b>           | <b>(66,991)</b>              |
| <b>Net realized gains</b>                                                                            |                              |                              |
| Unhedged ETF Units                                                                                   | (1,128,523)                  | (128,762)                    |
| Unhedged Class A                                                                                     | (26,050)                     | (277)                        |
| Unhedged Class F                                                                                     | (96,048)                     | (7,144)                      |
|                                                                                                      | <b>(1,250,621)</b>           | <b>(136,183)</b>             |
| <b>Return of capital</b>                                                                             |                              |                              |
| Unhedged ETF Units                                                                                   | (20,307,561)                 | (2,198,610)                  |
| Unhedged Class A                                                                                     | (469,065)                    | (7,547)                      |
| Unhedged Class F                                                                                     | (1,667,141)                  | (152,279)                    |
|                                                                                                      | <b>(22,443,767)</b>          | <b>(2,358,436)</b>           |
| <b>Redeemable unit transactions</b>                                                                  |                              |                              |
| <b>Proceeds from sale of redeemable units</b>                                                        |                              |                              |
| Unhedged ETF Units                                                                                   | 204,254,875                  | 81,415,824                   |
| Unhedged Class A                                                                                     | 6,017,657                    | 365,766                      |
| Unhedged Class F                                                                                     | 12,811,384                   | 6,428,850                    |
|                                                                                                      | <b>223,083,916</b>           | <b>88,210,440</b>            |
| <b>Reinvestments of distributions to holders of redeemable units</b>                                 |                              |                              |
| Unhedged Class A                                                                                     | 404,255                      | 6,802                        |
| Unhedged Class F                                                                                     | 1,940,765                    | 158,802                      |
|                                                                                                      | <b>2,345,020</b>             | <b>165,604</b>               |
| <b>Redemption of units</b>                                                                           |                              |                              |
| Unhedged ETF Units                                                                                   | (17,614,520)                 | (4,136,227)                  |
| Unhedged Class A                                                                                     | (692,525)                    | -                            |
| Unhedged Class F                                                                                     | (2,543,887)                  | (95,679)                     |
|                                                                                                      | <b>(20,850,932)</b>          | <b>(4,231,906)</b>           |
| <b>Net increase (decrease) from redeemable unit transactions</b>                                     | <b>204,578,004</b>           | <b>84,144,138</b>            |
| <b>Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units for the period</b>  | <b>199,199,483</b>           | <b>77,947,132</b>            |

## Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund

### Statements of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Units (cont'd)

(in Canadian dollars, except for number of units)

|                                                                               | December 31,<br>2025<br>(\$) | December 31,<br>2024<br>(\$) |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| For the years/periods ended (Note 1)                                          |                              |                              |
| <b>Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units - end of period</b> |                              |                              |
| Unhedged ETF Units                                                            | 253,294,362                  | 71,536,606                   |
| Unhedged Class A                                                              | 5,927,697                    | 345,692                      |
| Unhedged Class F                                                              | 17,924,556                   | 6,064,834                    |
| <b>Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units - end of period</b> | <b>277,146,615</b>           | <b>77,947,132</b>            |

# Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund

## Statements of Cash Flows

(in Canadian dollars, except for number of units)

|                                                                                               | December 31,<br>2025<br>(\$) | December 31,<br>2024<br>(\$) |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| For the years/periods ended (Note 1)                                                          |                              |                              |
| <b>Cash Flows from (used in) operating activities</b>                                         |                              |                              |
| Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units from operations | 22,978,216                   | (3,635,396)                  |
| <b>Adjustments for:</b>                                                                       |                              |                              |
| Realized (gain) loss on investments                                                           | (4,010,531)                  | 235,828                      |
| Realized (gain) loss on derivatives                                                           | 3,006,746                    | 56,998                       |
| Change in unrealized (appreciation) depreciation in the value of investments                  | (15,223,255)                 | 4,229,231                    |
| Change in unrealized (appreciation) depreciation in the value of derivatives                  | 116,110                      | (40,610)                     |
| Purchases of investments and derivatives <sup>2</sup>                                         | (59,113,815)                 | (10,714,330)                 |
| Proceeds from sale and maturity of investments and derivatives <sup>2</sup>                   | 62,392,616                   | 3,456,520                    |
| (Increase) decrease in interest, dividends and other receivables                              | (1,211,797)                  | (592,862)                    |
| Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses                                                       | 142,706                      | 60,637                       |
| <b>Net cash generated by (used in) operating activities</b>                                   | <b>9,076,996</b>             | <b>(6,943,984)</b>           |
| <b>Cash Flows from (used in) financing activities</b>                                         |                              |                              |
| Distributions paid to unitholders of redeemable units, net of reinvested distributions        | (22,978,119)                 | (1,239,052)                  |
| Proceeds from sale of units <sup>2</sup>                                                      | (30,916,649)                 | (11,267,632)                 |
| Payments for units redeemed <sup>2</sup>                                                      | 1,267,774                    | 1,110,848                    |
| Demand loan from Prime Broker                                                                 | 50,014,471                   | 18,784,291                   |
| <b>Net cash generated by (used in) financing activities</b>                                   | <b>(2,612,523)</b>           | <b>7,388,455</b>             |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash                                                               | 6,464,473                    | 444,471                      |
| Cash (Bank overdraft) - beginning of period                                                   | 444,471                      | -                            |
| <b>Cash (Bank overdraft) - end of period</b>                                                  | <b>6,908,944</b>             | <b>444,471</b>               |
| <b>Supplemental Information<sup>1</sup></b>                                                   |                              |                              |
| Interest received, net of foreign withholding taxes                                           | -                            | 2                            |
| Dividends received, net of foreign withholding taxes                                          | 8,426,482                    | 513,857                      |

1 Included as part of Cash Flows from Operating Activities

2 Excludes in-kind transactions, if any

# Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund

## Schedule of Investment Portfolio

As at December 31, 2025

| No. of Shares                         |                                                               | Average Cost<br>(\$) | Fair Value<br>(\$) |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Communication Services (35.5%)</b> |                                                               |                      |                    |
| 1,073,331                             | BCE Inc. <sup>1</sup>                                         | 35,984,588           | 35,140,857         |
| 646,916                               | Rogers Communications Inc., Class 'B'                         | 31,289,564           | 33,516,718         |
| 1,650,100                             | TELUS Corporation <sup>1</sup>                                | 34,489,514           | 29,850,309         |
|                                       |                                                               | <b>101,763,666</b>   | <b>98,507,884</b>  |
| <b>Energy (37.7%)</b>                 |                                                               |                      |                    |
| 521,225                               | Enbridge Inc. <sup>1</sup>                                    | 33,129,717           | 34,234,058         |
| 643,522                               | Pembina Pipeline Corporation <sup>1</sup>                     | 34,524,933           | 33,649,765         |
| 482,711                               | TC Energy Corporation <sup>1</sup>                            | 33,644,010           | 36,483,297         |
|                                       |                                                               | <b>101,298,660</b>   | <b>104,367,120</b> |
| <b>Utilities (50.4%)</b>              |                                                               |                      |                    |
| 840,705                               | AltaGas Limited <sup>1</sup>                                  | 32,754,820           | 35,183,504         |
| 509,193                               | Emera Inc. <sup>1</sup>                                       | 31,234,898           | 34,441,815         |
| 476,145                               | Fortis Inc. <sup>1</sup>                                      | 31,932,956           | 33,977,707         |
| 659,712                               | Hydro One Limited <sup>1</sup>                                | 32,553,780           | 36,046,664         |
|                                       |                                                               | <b>128,476,454</b>   | <b>139,649,690</b> |
|                                       | Transaction Costs                                             | (8,111)              | -                  |
|                                       | <b>Total Investments (123.6%)</b>                             | <b>331,530,669</b>   | <b>342,524,694</b> |
|                                       | Derivative Liabilities (-0.2%)*                               | (415,300)            | (490,800)          |
|                                       | Other Assets, less Liabilities (-23.4%)                       |                      | (64,887,279)       |
|                                       | <b>NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDERS OF REDEEMABLE UNITS</b> |                      | <b>277,146,615</b> |

1 Partially pledged as collateral for written covered call option contracts. (Note 2)

### \*Options Contracts (-0.2%) December 31, 2025

| Security                                   | Expiry Date | Strike Price | Number of<br>Options | Proceeds<br>(\$) | Fair Value<br>(\$) |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Written, Call Options</b>               |             |              |                      |                  |                    |
| AltaGas Limited, Call Options              | 17-Jan-26   | 43.00        | (2,400)              | (65,800)         | (44,400)           |
| BCE Inc., Call Options                     | 17-Jan-26   | 33.00        | (3,000)              | (51,000)         | (105,000)          |
| Emera Inc., Call Options                   | 17-Jan-26   | 68.00        | (400)                | (8,200)          | (22,400)           |
| Emera Inc., Call Options                   | 17-Jan-26   | 70.00        | (1,000)              | (3,000)          | (7,500)            |
| Enbridge Inc., Call Options                | 17-Jan-26   | 67.00        | (1,000)              | (20,000)         | (17,000)           |
| Enbridge Inc., Call Options                | 17-Jan-26   | 68.00        | (400)                | (24,000)         | (2,000)            |
| Fortis Inc., Call Options                  | 17-Jan-26   | 72.00        | (350)                | (15,750)         | (13,650)           |
| Fortis Inc., Call Options                  | 17-Jan-26   | 74.00        | (1,000)              | (2,500)          | (5,000)            |
| Hydro One Limited, Call Options            | 17-Jan-26   | 54.00        | (600)                | (16,200)         | (56,100)           |
| Hydro One Limited, Call Options            | 17-Jan-26   | 56.00        | (1,200)              | (4,800)          | (8,400)            |
| Pembina Pipeline Corporation, Call Options | 17-Jan-26   | 53.00        | (1,100)              | (26,950)         | (34,650)           |
| Pembina Pipeline Corporation, Call Options | 17-Jan-26   | 56.00        | (600)                | (17,700)         | (2,400)            |
| Rogers Communications Inc., Call Options   | 17-Jan-26   | 52.00        | (600)                | (44,400)         | (39,000)           |
| Rogers Communications Inc., Call Options   | 17-Jan-26   | 53.00        | (1,100)              | (18,150)         | (29,150)           |
| TC Energy Corporation, Call Options        | 17-Jan-26   | 78.00        | (1,300)              | (25,300)         | (10,400)           |
| TELUS Corporation, Call Options            | 17-Jan-26   | 18.00        | (3,000)              | (39,000)         | (87,000)           |
| TELUS Corporation, Call Options            | 17-Jan-26   | 19.50        | (1,500)              | (12,000)         | (6,750)            |
| <b>Total Written Options</b>               |             |              |                      | <b>(394,750)</b> | <b>(490,800)</b>   |
| Transaction Costs                          |             |              |                      | (20,550)         | -                  |
| <b>Total Options</b>                       |             |              |                      | <b>(415,300)</b> | <b>(490,800)</b>   |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund

## Fund Specific Notes to Financial Statements

### FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT RISKS (NOTE 3)

#### Portfolio Concentration Risk

The Fund's significant concentrations by industry sector are as follows:

| Portfolio by Category          | Percentage of Net Asset Value |                             |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
|                                | December 31,<br>2025<br>(%)   | December 31,<br>2024<br>(%) |
| <b>Equities</b>                |                               |                             |
| Communication Services         | 35.5                          | 33.7                        |
| Energy                         | 37.7                          | 38.5                        |
| Utilities                      | 50.4                          | 52.5                        |
| Derivative Liabilities         | (0.2)                         | (0.0)                       |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents      | 2.5                           | 0.6                         |
| Other Assets, less Liabilities | (25.9)                        | (25.3)                      |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>100.0</b>                  | <b>100.0</b>                |

#### Other Price/Market Risk

The table below summarizes management's estimate of the effect on net assets of a 10% change in the Fund's value, as at December 31, 2025 and 2024, with all other variables held constant:

| Fund                                                | Impact on Net Assets<br>(\$) |                              |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                                                     | December 31,<br>2025<br>(\$) | December 31,<br>2024<br>(\$) |
| Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund | 34,252,469                   | 9,717,398                    |

#### Interest Rate Risk

As at December 31, 2025 and 2024, the majority of the Fund's financial assets and liabilities are non-interest bearing; accordingly, the Fund is not exposed to significant amounts of risk due to fluctuations in the prevailing levels of market interest rates.

#### Liquidity Risk

The liquidity of the Fund is managed on a day-to-day basis in order to meet expenses and handle redemption of the Fund's redeemable units. As at December 31, 2025 and 2024, the Fund did not have a significant amount of financial liabilities with maturities greater than three months.

#### Credit Risk

As at December 31, 2025 and 2024, the Fund had no significant investments in fixed-income investments. Refer to the Schedule of Investment Portfolio for the forward foreign currency contracts' counterparty credit ratings.

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## Fund Specific Notes to Financial Statements (cont'd)

### FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (NOTE 2)

The following is the fair value measurement hierarchy based on the inputs used as at December 31, 2025 and 2024, in valuing the Fund's financial assets and liabilities carried at fair value:

#### Financial Assets (Liabilities)

|                          | Level 1<br>(\$)    | Level 2<br>(\$) | Level 3<br>(\$) | Total<br>(\$)      |
|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| <b>December 31, 2025</b> |                    |                 |                 |                    |
| Equities                 | 342,524,694        | -               | -               | <b>342,524,694</b> |
| Derivative Liabilities   | (490,800)          | -               | -               | <b>(490,800)</b>   |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>342,033,894</b> | <b>-</b>        | <b>-</b>        | <b>342,033,894</b> |
| <b>December 31, 2024</b> |                    |                 |                 |                    |
| Equities                 | 97,173,978         | -               | -               | <b>97,173,978</b>  |
| Derivative Liabilities   | (12,015)           | -               | -               | <b>(12,015)</b>    |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>97,161,963</b>  | <b>-</b>        | <b>-</b>        | <b>97,161,963</b>  |

For the periods ended December 31, 2025 and 2024, there were no transfers of securities between Level 1 and Level 2. There were no Level 3 securities as at or during the periods ended December 31, 2025 and 2024.

#### Collateral Pledged

Covered call options give the holder the right to buy the securities from the Fund at a stated exercise price during the option period. During this period, these underlying securities held by the Fund are pledged as collateral. Securities so pledged are identified in the Schedule of Investment Portfolio as at December 31, 2025. The total fair value of collateral pledged as at December 31, 2025 is \$91,243,400 (December 31, 2024 — \$7,758,240).

#### Leverage Table

The following table summarizes the minimum and maximum leverage levels of the Fund for the periods ended December 31, 2025 and 2024, as well as the leverage at the end of the reporting period and as a percentage of the Fund's net assets. For further information on the risk of leverage please refer to the Leverage Risk section of the Notes to Financial Statements.

|                          | Minimum Leverage | Maximum Leverage | Leverage at the end of the<br>Reporting Period | Percentage of Net<br>Asset Value<br>(%) |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>December 31, 2025</b> |                  |                  |                                                |                                         |
|                          | 1.221 : 1        | 1.267 : 1        | 1.236 : 1                                      | 123.6                                   |
| <b>December 31, 2024</b> |                  |                  |                                                |                                         |
|                          | 1.188 : 1        | 1.267 : 1        | 1.247 : 1                                      | 124.7                                   |

### UNIT TRANSACTIONS (NOTE 5)

The unitholder transactions for the periods ended December 31, 2025 and 2024 are as follows:

|                                                               | December 31,<br>2025 | December 31,<br>2024 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Unhedged ETF Units</b>                                     |                      |                      |
| Number of redeemable units outstanding - Beginning of period  | <b>7,850,000</b>     | -                    |
| Issued                                                        | <b>22,050,000</b>    | 8,300,000            |
| Redeemed                                                      | <b>(1,900,000)</b>   | (450,000)            |
| <b>Number of redeemable units outstanding - End of period</b> | <b>28,000,000</b>    | <b>7,850,000</b>     |

## Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund

### Fund Specific Notes to Financial Statements (cont'd)

|                                                               | December 31,<br>2025 | December 31,<br>2024 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Unhedged Class A</b>                                       |                      |                      |
| Number of redeemable units outstanding - Beginning of period  | 37,471               | -                    |
| Issued                                                        | 646,344              | 36,751               |
| Reinvested                                                    | 43,540               | 720                  |
| Redeemed                                                      | (73,582)             | -                    |
| <b>Number of redeemable units outstanding - End of period</b> | <b>653,773</b>       | <b>37,471</b>        |
| <b>Unhedged Class F</b>                                       |                      |                      |
| Number of redeemable units outstanding - Beginning of period  | 655,877              | -                    |
| Issued                                                        | 1,357,797            | 649,453              |
| Reinvested                                                    | 206,826              | 16,636               |
| Redeemed                                                      | (273,032)            | (10,212)             |
| <b>Number of redeemable units outstanding - End of period</b> | <b>1,947,468</b>     | <b>655,877</b>       |

### INCOME TAXES (NOTE 6)

As at December 31, 2025, the Fund had no capital and non-capital loss carryforward balances.

## Notes to Financial Statements

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### 1. ORGANIZATION

The Evolve Funds (each a “Fund” and collectively the “Funds”) are established on the establishment dates noted below as open-ended mutual fund trusts under the laws of the Province of Ontario, pursuant to a master declaration of trust dated August 4, 2017, and as amended and restated from time to time. The Units of the exchange-traded funds (“ETFs”) are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (“TSX”) and Cboe Canada (“CBOE”) in the case of the Evolve Active Core Fixed Income Fund and High Interest Savings Account Fund. The address of the Funds’ registered office is 161 Bay Street, Suite 1210, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 2S1.

The following list indicates the classes of units offered for sale by each of the Funds, as at the date of these financial statements:

#### Actively managed Funds

| Fund Name                                          | Portfolio Manager/Sub-Advisor | Class                        | Ticker Symbol | Date of Establishment | Date of Commencement |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Evolve Active Canadian Preferred Share Fund        | Addenda Capital Inc.          | Unhedged ETF Units           | DIVS          | 14-Aug-17             | 27-Sep-17            |
|                                                    | Addenda Capital Inc.          | Unhedged Class A             | EVF101        | 14-Aug-17             | 23-Apr-19            |
|                                                    | Addenda Capital Inc.          | Unhedged Class F             | EVF100        | 14-Aug-17             | 23-Apr-19            |
| Evolve Active Core Fixed Income Fund               | Addenda Capital Inc.          | Unhedged ETF Units           | FIXD          | 21-Mar-18             | 28-Mar-18            |
|                                                    | Addenda Capital Inc.          | Unhedged Class A             | EVF111        | 21-Mar-18             | 04-Jun-19            |
|                                                    | Addenda Capital Inc.          | Unhedged Class F             | EVF110        | 21-Mar-18             | 04-Jun-19            |
| Evolve Active Global Fixed Income Fund             | Allianz Global Investors GmbH | Hedged ETF Units             | EARN          | 30-Oct-18             | 09-Nov-18            |
|                                                    | Allianz Global Investors GmbH | Hedged Class A               | EVF131        | 30-Oct-18             | 23-Apr-19            |
|                                                    | Allianz Global Investors GmbH | Hedged Class F               | EVF130        | 30-Oct-18             | 23-Apr-19            |
| Evolve Future Leadership Fund                      | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | Hedged ETF Units             | LEAD          | 04-Sep-20             | 10-Sep-20            |
|                                                    | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | Unhedged ETF Units           | LEAD.B        | 04-Sep-20             | 10-Sep-20            |
|                                                    | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | LEAD.U        | 04-Sep-20             | 10-Sep-20            |
| Evolve Artificial Intelligence Fund                | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | Hedged ETF Units             | ARTI          | 18-Mar-24             | 22-Mar-24            |
| Evolve Canadian Aggregate Bond Enhanced Yield Fund | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | Unhedged ETF Units           | AGG           | 20-Sep-24             | 26-Sep-24            |
|                                                    | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | Unhedged Class A             | EVF251        | 20-Sep-24             | 09-Oct-24            |
|                                                    | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | Unhedged Class F             | EVF250        | 20-Sep-24             | 09-Oct-24            |
| Evolve Enhanced Yield Bond Fund                    | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | Hedged ETF Units             | BOND          | 27-Sep-23             | 03-Oct-23            |
|                                                    | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | Unhedged ETF Units           | BOND.B        | 27-Sep-23             | 15-Feb-24            |
|                                                    | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | BOND.U        | 27-Sep-23             | 15-Feb-24            |
|                                                    | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | Hedged Class A               | EVF401        | 06-Oct-23             | 14-Oct-23            |
|                                                    | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | Hedged Class F               | EVF400        | 06-Oct-23             | 14-Oct-23            |
|                                                    | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | Hedged ETF Units             | MIDB          | 17-Mar-25             | 27-Mar-25            |
| Evolve Enhanced Yield Mid Term Bond Fund           | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | Unhedged ETF Units           | MIDB.B        | 17-Mar-25             | 27-Mar-25            |
|                                                    | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | MIDB.U        | 17-Mar-25             | 27-Mar-25            |
|                                                    | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | Hedged Class A               | EVF261        | 17-Mar-25             | 09-Apr-25            |
| Evolve US Equity UltraYield ETF                    | Evolve Funds Group Inc.       | Hedged Class F               | EVF260        | 17-Mar-25             | 09-Apr-25            |
|                                                    |                               | Hedged ETF Units             | BIGY          | 03-Sep-25             | 10-Sep-25            |
|                                                    |                               | Unhedged ETF Units           | BIGY.B        | 03-Sep-25             | N/A                  |

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### Actively managed Funds (cont'd)

| Fund Name                             | Portfolio Manager/Sub-Advisor | Class                        | Ticker Symbol | Date of Establishment | Date of Commencement |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
|                                       |                               | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | BIGY.U        | 03-Sep-25             | N/A                  |
|                                       |                               | Hedged Class A               | EVF291        | 03-Sep-25             | N/A                  |
|                                       |                               | Hedged Class F               | EVF290        | 03-Sep-25             | N/A                  |
| Evolve Canadian Equity UltraYield ETF |                               | Unhedged ETF Units           | CANY          | 11-Sep-25             | 18-Sep-25            |
|                                       |                               | Unhedged Class A             | EVF391        | 11-Sep-25             | N/A                  |
|                                       |                               | Unhedged Class F             | EVF390        | 11-Sep-25             | N/A                  |

### Index-tracking Funds

| Fund Name                               | Class                        | Ticker Symbol | Date of Establishment | Date of Commencement |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Evolve Automobile Innovation Index Fund | Hedged ETF Units             | CARS          | 04-Aug-17             | 27-Sep-17            |
|                                         | Unhedged ETF Units           | CARS.B        | 04-Aug-17             | 27-Sep-17            |
|                                         | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | CARS.U        | 04-Aug-17             | 01-Nov-17            |
|                                         | Hedged Class A               | EVF141        | 04-Aug-17             | 23-Apr-19            |
|                                         | Hedged Class F               | EVF140        | 04-Aug-17             | 23-Apr-19            |
| Evolve Cyber Security Index Fund        | Hedged ETF Units             | CYBR          | 04-Aug-17             | 18-Sep-17            |
|                                         | Unhedged ETF Units           | CYBR.B        | 04-Aug-17             | 18-Sep-17            |
|                                         | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | CYBR.U        | 04-Aug-17             | 14-May-19            |
|                                         | Hedged Class A               | EVF151        | 04-Aug-17             | 23-Apr-19            |
|                                         | Hedged Class F               | EVF150        | 04-Aug-17             | 23-Apr-19            |
| Evolve Innovation Index Fund            | Hedged ETF Units             | EDGE          | 20-Apr-18             | 30-Apr-18            |
|                                         | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | EDGE.U        | 20-Apr-18             | 07-Jan-21            |
|                                         | Hedged Class A               | EVF161        | 20-Apr-18             | 04-Jun-19            |
|                                         | Hedged Class F               | EVF160        | 20-Apr-18             | 04-Jun-19            |
| Evolve E-Gaming Index ETF               | Hedged ETF Units             | HERO          | 04-Jun-19             | 13-Jun-19            |
| Evolve Cloud Computing Index Fund       | Hedged ETF Units             | DATA          | 04-Jan-21             | 06-Jan-21            |
|                                         | Unhedged ETF Units           | DATA.B        | 04-Jan-21             | 06-Jan-21            |
| Evolve NASDAQ Technology Index Fund     | Hedged ETF Units             | QQQT          | 04-Jul-23             | 11-Jul-23            |
|                                         | Unhedged ETF Units           | QQQT.B        | 04-Jul-23             | 11-Jul-23            |
|                                         | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | QQQT.U        | 04-Jul-23             | 11-Jul-23            |
|                                         | Hedged Class A               | EVF921        | 04-Jul-23             | 05-Jun-24            |
|                                         | Hedged Class F               | EVF920        | 04-Jul-23             | 05-Jun-24            |
| Evolve FANGMA Index ETF                 | Hedged ETF Units             | TECH          | 28-Apr-21             | 04-May-21            |
|                                         | Unhedged ETF Units           | TECH.B        | 28-Apr-21             | 04-May-21            |
|                                         | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | TECH.U        | 28-Apr-21             | 04-May-21            |

Each index-tracking Fund seeks to track, to the extent reasonably possible and before fees and expenses, the performance of a broad and widely quoted market index.

### Index-tracking Funds with active covered call strategies

| Fund Name                                    | Class                        | Ticker Symbol | Date of Establishment | Date of Commencement |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Evolve Global Healthcare Enhanced Yield Fund | Hedged ETF Units             | LIFE          | 04-Aug-17             | 23-Oct-17            |
|                                              | Unhedged ETF Units           | LIFE.B        | 04-Aug-17             | 23-Oct-17            |
|                                              | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | LIFE.U        | 04-Aug-17             | 26-Nov-19            |

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### Index-tracking Funds with active covered call strategies (cont'd)

| Fund Name                                                   | Class                        | Ticker Symbol | Date of Establishment | Date of Commencement |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
|                                                             | Hedged Class A               | EVF171        | 04-Aug-17             | 07-Jul-20            |
|                                                             | Hedged Class F               | EVF170        | 04-Aug-17             | 07-Jul-20            |
| Evolve US Banks Enhanced Yield Fund                         | Hedged ETF Units             | CALL          | 04-Aug-17             | 12-Oct-17            |
|                                                             | Unhedged ETF Units           | CALL.B        | 04-Aug-17             | 12-Oct-17            |
|                                                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | CALL.U        | 04-Aug-17             | 26-Nov-19            |
| Evolve Global Materials & Mining Enhanced Yield Index ETF   | Hedged ETF Units             | BASE          | 04-Jun-19             | 11-Jun-19            |
|                                                             | Unhedged ETF Units           | BASE.B        | 04-Jun-19             | 11-Jun-19            |
| Evolve European Banks Enhanced Yield ETF                    | Hedged ETF Units             | EBNK          | 05-Jan-22             | 07-Jan-22            |
|                                                             | Unhedged ETF Units           | EBNK.B        | 05-Jan-22             | 07-Jan-22            |
|                                                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | EBNK.U        | 05-Jan-22             | 07-Jan-22            |
|                                                             | Hedged Class A               | EVF281        | 23-Jul-25             | 07-Aug-25            |
|                                                             | Hedged Class F               | EVF280        | 23-Jul-25             | 07-Aug-25            |
| Evolve Canadian Banks and Lifecos Enhanced Yield Index Fund | Unhedged ETF Units           | BANK          | 26-Jan-22             | 01-Feb-22            |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class A             | EVF181        | 24-Jan-24             | 03-Feb-24            |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class F             | EVF180        | 24-Jan-24             | 03-Feb-24            |
| Evolve S&P 500® Enhanced Yield Fund                         | Hedged ETF Units             | ESPX          | 03-Jan-23             | 09-Jan-23            |
|                                                             | Unhedged ETF Units           | ESPX.B        | 03-Jan-23             | 09-Jan-23            |
|                                                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | ESPX.U        | 03-Jan-23             | 06-Jul-23            |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class A             | EVF501        | 03-Jan-23             | 09-Jan-23            |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class F             | EVF500        | 03-Jan-23             | 09-Jan-23            |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class H             | EVF503        | 03-Jan-23             | 09-Jan-23            |
| Evolve S&P/TSX 60 Enhanced Yield Fund                       | Unhedged ETF Units           | ETSX          | 03-Jan-23             | 09-Jan-23            |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class A             | EVF601        | 03-Jan-23             | 09-Jan-23            |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class F             | EVF600        | 03-Jan-23             | 09-Jan-23            |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class H             | EVF603        | 03-Jan-23             | 09-Jan-23            |
| Evolve NASDAQ Technology Enhanced Yield Index Fund          | Hedged ETF Units             | QQQY          | 27-Sep-23             | 03-Oct-23            |
|                                                             | Unhedged ETF Units           | QQQY.B        | 27-Sep-23             | N/A                  |
|                                                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | QQQY.U        | 27-Sep-23             | 07-Oct-25            |
|                                                             | Hedged Class A               | EVF901        | 06-Oct-23             | 14-Oct-23            |
|                                                             | Hedged Class F               | EVF900        | 06-Oct-23             | 14-Oct-23            |
| Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund         | Unhedged ETF Units           | UTES          | 01-Aug-24             | 04-Sep-24            |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class A             | EVF241        | 01-Aug-24             | 11-Oct-24            |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class F             | EVF240        | 01-Aug-24             | 11-Oct-24            |
| Evolve Canadian Energy Enhanced Yield Index Fund            | Unhedged ETF Units           | OILY          | 17-Mar-25             | 27-Mar-25            |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class A             | EVF271        | 17-Mar-25             | 09-Apr-25            |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class F             | EVF270        | 17-Mar-25             | 09-Apr-25            |
| Evolve Big Six Canadian Banks UltraYield Index ETF          | Unhedged ETF Units           | SIXY          | 25-Nov-25             | 02-Dec-25            |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class A             | EVF491        | 25-Nov-25             | N/A                  |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class F             | EVF490        | 25-Nov-25             | N/A                  |

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### Money Market Funds

| Fund Name                             | Class              | Ticker Symbol | Date of Establishment | Date of Commencement |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| High Interest Savings Account Fund    | Unhedged ETF Units | HISA          | 15-Nov-19             | 19-Nov-19            |
|                                       | Unhedged Class A   | EVF200        | 15-Nov-19             | 16-Jan-20            |
|                                       | Unhedged Class F   | EVF201        | 15-Nov-19             | 16-Jan-20            |
|                                       | Unhedged Class I   | EVF202        | 15-Nov-19             | 26-Apr-22            |
| US High Interest Savings Account Fund | Unhedged ETF Units | HISU.U        | 23-Aug-22             | 29-Aug-22            |
|                                       | Unhedged Class A   | EVF300        | 23-Aug-22             | 30-Aug-22            |
|                                       | Unhedged Class F   | EVF301        | 23-Aug-22             | 30-Aug-22            |
|                                       | Unhedged Class I   | EVF302        | 23-Aug-22             | 30-Aug-22            |
| Premium Cash Management Fund          | Unhedged ETF Units | MCAD          | 18-May-23             | 26-May-23            |
|                                       | Unhedged Class A   | EVF700        | 18-May-23             | 26-May-23            |
|                                       | Unhedged Class F   | EVF701        | 18-May-23             | 26-May-23            |
|                                       | Unhedged Class I   | EVF702        | 18-May-23             | 26-May-23            |
| US Premium Cash Management Fund       | Unhedged ETF Units | MUSD.U        | 18-May-23             | 26-May-23            |
|                                       | Unhedged Class A   | EVF800        | 18-May-23             | 26-May-23            |
|                                       | Unhedged Class F   | EVF801        | 18-May-23             | 26-May-23            |
|                                       | Unhedged Class I   | EVF802        | 18-May-23             | 26-May-23            |

### Digital currency Funds

| Fund Name                   | Class                        | Ticker Symbol | Date of Establishment | Date of Commencement |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF | Unhedged ETF Units           | ETC           | 20-Sep-21             | 24-Sep-21            |
|                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | ETC.U         | 20-Sep-21             | 24-Sep-21            |
|                             | Unhedged Class A             | EVF231        | 16-Aug-24             | 21-Aug-24            |
|                             | Unhedged Class F             | EVF230        | 16-Aug-24             | 21-Aug-24            |
| Evolve Levered Bitcoin ETF  | Unhedged ETF Units           | LBIT          | 07-Mar-25             | 18-Mar-25            |
|                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | LBIT.U        | 07-Mar-25             | 18-Mar-25            |
| Evolve Levered Ether ETF    | Unhedged ETF Units           | LETH          | 07-Mar-25             | 18-Mar-25            |
|                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | LETH.U        | 07-Mar-25             | 18-Mar-25            |

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Each index-tracking Fund with active covered call strategies seeks to track, to the extent reasonably possible and before fees and expenses, the performance of a broad and widely quoted market index and in addition to provide the return of a strategy of selling call options against no more than 33% of the equity securities of Evolve Global Healthcare Enhanced Yield Fund, Evolve US Banks Enhanced Yield Fund, Evolve Global Materials & Mining Enhanced Yield Index ETF, Evolve European Banks Enhanced Yield ETF, Evolve Canadian Banks and Lifecos Enhanced Yield Index Fund, Evolve S&P 500® Enhanced Yield Fund, and Evolve S&P/TSX 60 Enhanced Yield Fund, and against no more than 100% of the equity securities of Evolve NASDAQ Technology Enhanced Yield Index Fund, Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund, Evolve Canadian Energy Enhanced Yield Index Fund, and Evolve Big Six Canadian Banks UltraYield Index ETF.

Certain Funds offer classes of Hedged Units, Unhedged Units, and US Dollar Unhedged Units. In instances where the Funds invest their assets in securities that are denominated in currencies other than the Canadian dollar and/or offer US Dollar Unhedged Units, the value of the portfolio will vary due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates. For Funds with Hedged Units, currency risk is mitigated by entering into forward foreign currency contracts to hedge the foreign currency exposure back to Canadian dollars and, as such, the Hedged Units do not have significant exposure to currency risk. For Funds with Unhedged Units and US Dollar Unhedged Units, currency risk is not mitigated, as the currency exposure is not hedged back to the Canadian dollar and, as such, the Unhedged Units and the US Dollar Unhedged Units have a significant exposure to currency risk. As a result, due to the difference in currency hedging strategies, the net asset value ("NAV") attributable to holders of redeemable units of each class will not be the same.

Evolve Funds Group Inc. (the "Manager") is the trustee, manager, and investment manager of the Funds.

The Schedule of Investment Portfolio for each of the Funds is as at December 31, 2025. The Statements of Financial Position of each of the Funds that commenced operations in 2025 are as at December 31, 2025 and for the Funds that commenced operations in years prior to 2025 are as at December 31, 2025 and 2024. The Statements of Comprehensive Income, Statements of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Units, and Statements of Cash Flows of each of the Funds are for the year ended December 31 of the years shown, except for Funds established during either period, in which case the information presented is for the period from the date of establishment to December 31 for the years shown, if applicable.

The financial statements were approved for issuance by the Manager on March 24, 2026.

Class A Units are available to all investors. Class F Units are for investors who are participants in a fee-for-service or wrap account program sponsored by certain registered dealers. Class I Units are for institutional investors who negotiate a fee and minimum investment amount with the Manager. Class H Units are for eligible institutional investors and other qualified investors, as determined by the Manager in its sole discretion, and investors in model portfolios with dealers who have an agreement with the Manager.

## 2. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION

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The following is the material accounting policy information of the Funds:

### Basis of Preparation

The financial statements of the Funds have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as published by the International Accounting Standards Board. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis using the historical cost convention, except for financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL"). Each Fund is an investment entity, and primarily all financial assets and liabilities are measured at fair value in accordance with IFRS.

In applying IFRS, management may make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses during the reporting periods. Actual results may differ from such estimates.

The financial statements for all Funds, with the exception of US High Interest Savings Account Fund and US Premium Cash Management Fund, have been presented in Canadian dollars, which is the Funds' functional currency. The financial statements for US High Interest Savings Account Fund and US Premium Cash Management Fund have been presented in United States dollars, which is the Funds' functional currency.

### Classification and Recognition of Financial Instruments

Financial instruments include financial assets and liabilities such as debt and equity securities, derivatives, cash and other receivables, and payables. The Funds classify and measure financial instruments in accordance with IFRS 9, *Financial Instruments* ("IFRS 9"). Upon initial recognition, financial assets are classified as FVTPL and financial liabilities are carried at amortized cost. Derivative liabilities are classified as FVTPL.

All financial instruments are recognized in the Statements of Financial Position when a Fund becomes a party to the contractual requirements of the instrument. A financial asset is derecognized when the right to receive cash flows from the instrument has expired or the Fund has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership. A financial liability is derecognized when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled, or expired. As such, investment purchase and sale transactions are recorded as of the trade date.

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Financial instruments are subsequently measured as FVTPL with changes in fair value recognized in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

### Classification of Redeemable Units

IAS 32, *Financial Instruments: Presentation* ("IAS 32"), requires that securities of the Funds, which are considered puttable instruments, be classified as either financial liabilities or equity instruments. The units of the Funds do not meet the criteria to be classified as equity instruments. Consequently, the Funds' outstanding redeemable units are classified as financial liabilities in accordance with IAS 32.

### Measurement of Financial Instruments

Financial instruments at FVTPL are recorded in the Statements of Financial Position at fair value upon initial recognition. All transaction costs, such as brokerage commissions, incurred in the purchase and sale of securities for such instruments are recognized directly in profit or loss.

Subsequent changes in the fair value of those financial instruments (i.e., the excess/shortfall of the sum of the fair value of portfolio investments over/below the sum of the average cost of each portfolio investment) are recorded in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) in the value of investments. The applicable period change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments is included in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

For the purposes of determining the average cost of each portfolio investment, the purchase price of portfolio investments acquired by each Fund is added to the average cost of the particular portfolio investment immediately prior to the purchase. The average cost of a portfolio investment is reduced by the number of shares sold multiplied by the average cost of the portfolio investment at the time of the sale. The average cost per share of each portfolio investment sold is determined by dividing the average cost of the portfolio investment by the number of shares held immediately prior to the sale transaction. Transaction costs incurred in portfolio transactions are excluded from the average cost of investments and are recognized immediately in net income and are presented as a separate expense item in the financial statements. Realized gains and losses from the sale of portfolio investments are also calculated based on the average costs, excluding transaction costs, of the related investment.

The NAV per unit of each Fund is calculated each day the Funds are open for business as of regularly scheduled close of regular trading on the respective exchange of each Fund. For NAV calculation purposes, the last business day of the year was on December 31, 2025. NAV per unit is calculated by dividing the net assets of each Fund by the number of units outstanding of that Fund. Units of each Fund are being issued and sold on a continuous basis, and there is no maximum number of units that may be issued. In calculating each class of each Fund's NAV, investments are valued under policies approved by the Board of Directors of the Manager. Equity securities (including preferred stock) listed or dealt in upon a stock exchange are valued at the last sale price or closing price on the exchange or system on which they are principally traded when the price falls within the bid-ask spread range. In circumstances where the last traded price is not within the bid-ask spread, the Manager determines the point that the bid-ask spread is most representative of fair value based on the specific facts and circumstances. Foreign currency contracts are valued based on the difference between the value of the contract on the valuation date and the value on the date the contract was originated. The fair values of fixed income securities that are not listed or dealt in upon a stock exchange are determined using valuation techniques. Valuation techniques include the use of comparable recent arm's length transactions, reference to other instruments that are substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis, broker input, and other valuation techniques commonly used by market participants making the maximum use of market inputs and relying as little as possible on entity-specific inputs.

### Fair Value Measurement

IFRS describe fair value as the price that each Fund would receive upon selling an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants as at the measurement date. They established a three-tier hierarchy of inputs to be used when determining fair value measurements for disclosure purposes. Inputs refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk — for example, the risk inherent in a particular valuation technique used to measure fair value (such as a pricing model) and/or the risk inherent in the inputs to the valuation technique.

Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Observable inputs are based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs are based on the best information available in the circumstances. The three-tier hierarchy of inputs is summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

Level 1 – Quoted (unadjusted) prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at measurement date.

Level 2 – Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.).

Level 3 – Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable (including each Fund's assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

The inputs or methodology used for valuation are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those investments.

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The Funds have included the fair value hierarchy in the Fund Specific Notes to Financial Statements.

### Securities Lending

In order to generate additional returns, the Funds are authorized to enter into securities lending agreements with borrowers deemed acceptable in accordance with National Instrument 81-102, *Investment Funds* ("NI 81-102").

Aggregate market value of all securities loaned by a Fund cannot exceed 50% of the fair value of the assets of the Fund. The Funds receive collateral against the loaned securities in the form of debt obligations of the Government of Canada and Canadian provincial governments; the government of the United States of America or the government of one of the states of the United States of America; the government of the sovereign state of G7 countries, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, or Switzerland; or a permitted supranational agency of Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development countries. The minimum allowable collateral is 102% of the fair value of the loaned securities. The aggregate closing market value of securities loaned, collateral received and a reconciliation of the gross securities lending revenue to the securities lending revenue reported by each Fund in the Funds' Statements of Comprehensive Income are disclosed on the Securities Lending Transactions section of the Fund Specific Notes to Financial Statements.

Under a securities lending agreement, the borrower must pay the Funds a negotiated securities lending fee, provide compensation to the Funds equal to any distributions received by the borrower on the securities borrowed, and the Funds must receive an acceptable form of collateral in excess of the value of the securities loaned. Although such collateral is marked to market, each Fund may be exposed to the risk of loss should a borrower default on its obligations to return the borrowed securities and the collateral is insufficient to reconstitute the portfolio of loaned securities.

### Forward Foreign Currency Contracts

A forward foreign currency contract ("Forward Contract") involves an obligation to purchase or sell a specific currency at a future date, which may be any fixed number of days from the date of the contract agreed upon by the parties, at a price set at the time of the contract. These contracts are principally traded in the inter-bank market conducted directly between currency traders (usually large, commercial banks) and their customers. A Forward Contract generally does not require an initial margin deposit, and no commissions are charged at any stage for trades. However, if a Fund is in an unrealized loss position on a Forward Contract, it may be required to pledge collateral (or additional collateral) to the counterparty.

Risks may arise upon entering into a Forward Contract from the potential inability of the counterparties to meet the terms of their contracts and from unanticipated movements in the value of foreign currencies relative to the Canadian dollar.

A Forward Contract is valued at the fair value of the gain or loss that would be realized on a valuation date if the position was to be closed out. Realized and unrealized gains (losses) on forward foreign currency contracts are recorded in realized gain (loss) on derivatives and change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) in the value of derivatives in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

### Options Contracts

Outstanding option positions are valued at an amount equal to the current fair value that would have the effect of closing the position. Any difference resulting from revaluation and gains or losses realized upon expiration or exercise of the options are recognized in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

### Futures Contracts

The margin deposits with brokers relating to futures contracts are included in the Statements of Financial Position. Any change in the margin requirement is settled daily and is included in cash on the Statements of Financial Position. Any difference between the settlement value at the close of business on each valuation date and the settlement value at the close of business on the previous valuation date is recorded as net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) in value of derivative financial instruments on the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

### Short Sales

When a Fund sells a security short, it will borrow that security from a broker to complete the sale. A Fund will incur a loss as a result of a short sale if the price of the borrowed security increases between the date of the short sale and the date on which a Fund closes out its short position by buying that security. A Fund will realize a gain if the security declines in price between those dates.

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### Investment Transactions and Investment Income

Investment transactions are recorded as of the date that the securities are purchased or sold (trade date). Realized and unrealized gains and losses are calculated on an average cost basis. The cost of investments represents the amount paid for each security and is determined using the average cost method, excluding commissions and transaction costs. Transaction costs, such as brokerage commissions and settlement charges incurred in the purchase and sale of securities, are shown as a separate line item in the Statements of Comprehensive Income and are not part of the cost of investments. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date, gross of any foreign taxes withheld. The interest for distribution purposes shown on the Statements of Comprehensive Income represents the coupon interest received by the Funds accounted for on an accrual basis. Premiums received from writing options are included in the Statements of Financial Position as a liability and subsequently adjusted to fair value. When a written option expires unexercised, the Funds will realize a gain equal to the premium received. When a written option is closed, the Funds will realize a gain or loss equal to the difference between the cost at which the contract was closed and the premium received. Income earned from securities lending transactions is in the form of securities lending fees payable by the borrower and, in certain circumstances, interest paid on cash or securities held as collateral. Revenue, if any, earned on securities lending transactions during the period is disclosed in the Funds' Statements of Comprehensive Income.

### Foreign Currency Translation

The financial statements for all Funds, with the exception of US High Interest Savings Account Fund and US Premium Cash Management Fund, have been presented in Canadian dollars, which is the Funds' functional and presentation currency. The financial statements for US High Interest Savings Account Fund and US Premium Cash Management Fund have been presented in United States dollars, which is the Funds' functional and presentation currency. The Funds' respective functional currency is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Funds operate. The Funds' performance is evaluated, and their liquidity is managed, in the Funds' respective functional currency. Therefore, the Canadian dollar or United States dollar, as applicable, is considered as the currency that most faithfully represents the economic effects of the underlying transactions, events, and conditions. Foreign currencies, as well as investment securities and other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies, are translated into Canadian dollars or United States dollar, as applicable, using exchange rates prevailing on the respective dates of such transactions. Realized and unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses on investments are included as a component of net realized gain (loss) on sale of investments and change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments, respectively, on the Statements of Comprehensive Income. Net realized and unrealized foreign exchange gains (losses) arising from sales of foreign currencies include gains (losses) on forward foreign currency contracts, currency gains (losses) recognized between the trade and settlement dates on investment transactions, and the difference between the amounts of dividends and foreign withholding taxes recorded on the Funds' books and the Canadian dollar or United States dollar, as applicable, equivalent of the amounts actually received or paid. These gains (losses) are included in net realized gain (loss) and/or change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on foreign currency contracts and foreign currency translations in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

### Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Units from Operations per Unit

The increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units from operations per unit is calculated by dividing the increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units from operations by the weighted average number of units outstanding during the period.

### Significant Accounting Judgments, Estimates, and Assumptions

The preparation of the Funds' financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates, and assumptions that affect the reported amounts recognized in the financial statements and disclosure of contingent liabilities. However, uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that could require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of the asset or liability affected in future periods.

In the process of applying the Funds' accounting policies, management has made the following judgments, which have the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the financial statements:

#### Classification and Measurement of Investments

In classifying and measuring financial instruments held by the Funds, the Manager has assessed the Funds' business model for managing their respective portfolios of investments and evaluating the performance on a fair value basis and concluded that these financial assets and liabilities should be measured at FVTPL in accordance with IFRS 9.

#### Assessment as Investment Entity

Entities that meet the definition of an investment entity within IFRS 10, *Consolidated Financial Statements* are required to measure their subsidiaries at FVTPL rather than consolidate them. The criteria that define an investment entity are as follows:

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- an entity that obtains funds from one or more investors for the purpose of providing those investors with investment services;
- an entity that commits to its investors that its business purpose is to invest funds solely for returns from capital appreciation, investment income or both; and
- an entity that measures and evaluates the performance of substantially all of its investments on a fair value basis.

The Funds' prospectuses detail the objective of providing investment management services to investors, for the purpose of returns in the form of investment income and capital appreciation.

The Funds report to their investors via semi-annual investor information, and to their management via internal management reports, on a fair value basis. All investments are reported at fair value to the extent allowed by IFRS in the Funds' financial statements. The Funds have a clearly documented exit strategy for all of their investments.

The Manager has also concluded that the Funds meet the additional characteristics of an investment entity, in that they have more than one investment; the investments are predominantly in the form of equities and similar securities; they have more than one investor; and their investors are not related parties.

These conclusions will be reassessed on an annual basis, if any of these criteria or characteristics change.

### New standards, amendments and interpretations not yet effective

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are not yet effective as of December 31, 2025 and have not been applied in preparing these financial statements.

#### IFRS 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements

In April 2024, the IASB issued IFRS 18, which replaces IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements. It introduces several new requirements that are expected to impact the presentation and disclosure of the financial statements. These include:

- The requirement to classify all income and expense into specified categories and provide specified totals and subtotals in the statement of profit or loss.
- Enhanced guidance on the aggregation, location and labeling of items across the financial statements and the notes to the financial statements.
- Required disclosures about management-defined performance measures.

IFRS 18 is effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2027, with early adoption permitted.

The Funds are currently assessing the effect of the above standard. No other new standards, amendments and interpretations are expected to have a material effect on the financial statements of the Funds.

### 3. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT RISKS

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The Funds' activities may expose them to a variety of financial risks associated with financial instruments, including concentration risk, market risk (which includes currency risk, interest rate risk and other price/market risk), liquidity risk, and credit risk. The Manager seeks to minimize potential adverse effects of these risks on the Funds' performance by employing professional, experienced portfolio managers, by daily monitoring of the Funds' position and market events, and by diversifying the investment portfolio within the constraints of the investment objective.

Details of the Funds' exposure to financial instrument risks are available in the Fund Specific Notes to Financial Statements, as applicable.

#### Leverage Risk

Alternative mutual funds, within the meaning of NI 81-102, are permitted to invest in asset classes or use investment strategies that are not permitted for other types of mutual funds. While these specific strategies are used in accordance with the Funds' investment objectives and strategies, during certain market conditions they may accelerate the pace at which the value of such Funds decreases. More specifically, when a Fund borrows cash for investment purposes, leverage may be introduced into the Fund.

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The Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF, Evolve Canadian Banks and Lifecos Enhanced Yield Index Fund, Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund, Evolve Canadian Energy Enhanced Yield Index ETF, Evolve Levered Bitcoin ETF, Evolve Levered Ether ETF, Evolve US Equity UltraYield ETF, Evolve Canadian Equity UltraYield ETF, and Evolve Big Six Canadian Banks UltraYield Index ETF, are considered alternative mutual funds within the meaning of NI 81-102 and are permitted to use leverage in accordance with restrictions outlined in NI 81-102.

Generally, the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF does not intend to borrow money or employ other forms of leverage. The Fund may, however, borrow money on a temporary short-term basis to acquire securities in connection with a subscription for Units by a dealer. Any cash borrowing by the Fund is subject to an overall limit of 50% of its NAV under NI 81-102. During the year ended December 31, 2025, the lowest aggregated fair value amount of the leverage exercised by the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF was \$0.00 (0.00% of net assets), and the highest aggregated fair value amount of the leverage used during the period was \$0.00 (0.00% of net assets).

The Evolve Canadian Banks and Lifecos Enhanced Yield Index Fund, Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund, Evolve Canadian Energy Enhanced Yield Index Fund, Evolve Levered Bitcoin ETF, Evolve Levered Ether ETF, Evolve US Equity UltraYield ETF, Evolve Canadian Equity UltraYield ETF, and Evolve Big Six Canadian Banks UltraYield Index ETF currently anticipate achieving their investment objectives and creating leverage through the use of cash borrowing. The maximum aggregate exposure of the Funds to cash borrowing will not exceed approximately 25% of NAV for the Evolve Canadian Banks and Lifecos Enhanced Yield Index Fund, Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund, Evolve Canadian Energy Enhanced Yield Index Fund, Evolve Levered Bitcoin ETF, and Evolve Levered Ether ETF. In order to ensure that unitholders' risk is limited to the capital invested, the Funds' leverage will be rebalanced back to 25% of the Funds' NAV within two business days of the Funds' leverage exceeding 2% above their target leverage ratios of 25% of NAV. The maximum aggregate exposure of the Funds to cash borrowing will not exceed approximately 33% of NAV for the Evolve US Equity UltraYield ETF, Evolve Canadian Equity UltraYield ETF, and Evolve Big Six Canadian Banks UltraYield Index ETF. In order to ensure that unitholders' risk is limited to the capital invested, the Funds' leverage will be rebalanced back to 33% of the Funds' NAV within two business days of the Funds' leverage exceeding 2% above their target leverage ratios of 33% of NAV.

### Portfolio Concentration Risk

Concentration indicates the relative sensitivity of the Funds' performance to developments affecting a particular industry or geographical location. Concentrations of risk arise when a number of financial instruments or contracts are entered into with the same counterparty, or where a number of counterparties are engaged in similar business activities, or activities in the same geographical region, or have similar economic features that would cause their ability to meet contractual obligations to be similarly affected by changes in economic, political, or other conditions.

### Other Price/Market Risk

Other price/market risk is the risk that the fair values or future cash flows of financial instruments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk), whether caused by factors specific to an individual investment or its issuer, or all factors affecting all instruments traded in a market or market segment. All securities are exposed to other price/market risk. The maximum risk is equivalent to the financial instrument's fair value.

### Global Trade Policy Risk

In 2025, trade tensions have escalated as the United States considers imposing new tariffs on key trading partners, including Canada and Mexico, along with broader reciprocal measures on other nations. In response, affected countries may enact retaliatory tariffs, further increasing uncertainty in global trade. These developments have contributed to heightened market volatility and could disrupt global supply chains, particularly impacting trade-sensitive sectors. The duration and full impact of these events remain uncertain, and as such, the financial implications for investments cannot be estimated at this time.

### Currency Risk

Currency risk arises from financial instruments that are denominated in foreign currencies. The Funds are exposed to the risk that the value of securities denominated in foreign currencies will fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates. When the value of the Canadian dollar falls in relation to foreign currencies, then the value of foreign investments rises. When the value of the Canadian dollar rises, the value of foreign investments falls.

The Funds hold securities denominated in foreign currencies during the reporting period and may hedge their foreign currency exposures by entering into Forward Contracts to reduce currency risk.

### Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the market value of a Fund's interest-bearing financial instruments will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. Prices of longer-term fixed income securities will generally fluctuate more in response to interest rate changes than would shorter-term securities. Generally, the fair value of fixed income securities will vary inversely in relation to a change in interest rates. As interest rates rise, the fair value of fixed income securities falls and vice versa. The magnitude of the fall and rise will generally be greater for long-term fixed income securities than for short-term fixed income securities.

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### Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the possibility that investments in a Fund cannot be readily converted into cash when required. The Funds generally maintain sufficient liquidity to meet expenses and redemption of units by investing primarily in liquid securities. However, unexpected heavy demand for redemptions of units could result in the Funds having to dispose of investments at a time when it is not optimal in order to meet such redemption requests. To manage the Funds' overall liquidity and enable the Funds to meet their obligations, the assets of the Funds are invested primarily in securities that are traded on active markets and that the Manager believes can be readily disposed of through market facilities under normal circumstances.

### Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment that it has entered into with the Funds. To help manage the credit risk of the Funds, the Manager carefully monitors the creditworthiness and operational robustness of counterparties that conduct transactions on behalf of the Funds. Generally, the greater the credit rating of a security, the lower the probability of the issuer defaulting on its obligations.

Credit ratings for preferred shares are obtained from Dominion Bond Rating Services, Moody's, and Standard & Poor's. A rating of P1 is of superior credit quality and is supported by entities with strong earnings and balance sheet characteristics. P2 is of satisfactory credit quality. Protection of dividends and principal is still substantial, but earnings, the balance sheet and coverage ratios are not as strong as P1 rated companies. P3 is of adequate credit quality. P4 is of speculative credit quality. While protection of dividends and principal is still considered acceptable, the issuing entity is more susceptible to adverse changes in financial and economic conditions, and there may be other adverse conditions present which detract from debt protection.

For those Funds that invest in fixed income securities, credit ratings are obtained from Standard & Poor's, Moody's, and Fitch Ratings Service Inc. A rating of AAA indicates the highest quality with minimal risk, whereas AA rating suggests high quality with very low credit risk. Obligations rated A are considered upper-middle-grade and are subject to low credit risk. Obligations rated BBB possess moderate credit risk. They are considered medium grade. Although considered investment grade, they may possess speculative characteristics. Obligations rated BB are speculative. They are considered just below investment grade. A rating of B indicates that material default risk is present, but a limited margin of safety remains. Obligations rated below B are highly speculative.

Credit ratings for commercial paper and short-term debt instruments are obtained from Dominion Bond Rating Services. A rating of R-1 (high) is considered the highest credit quality with the highest capacity for timely repayment of short-term obligations. R-1 (middle) indicates superior credit quality with strong capacity for repayment. R-1 (low) is of adequate credit quality. A rating of R-2 (high) indicates satisfactory capacity for timely repayment of short-term obligations, whereas a rating of R-2 (middle) suggests uncertain capacity for timely repayments. Short-term obligations rated R-2 (low) are of weak capacity for timely repayment. Short-term obligations rated R-3 are of the lowest end of adequate credit quality and indicate there is a capacity for the payment of obligations as they fall due. Short-term obligations with this rating may be vulnerable to future events and the certainty of meeting such obligations could be impacted by a variety of developments. A rating of R-4 is of speculative credit quality and indicates the capacity for repayment is uncertain. Short-term obligations rated R-5 or below indicate highly speculative credit quality with a high level of uncertainty for repayment.

### Offsetting Financial Instruments

A Fund's risk of loss from counterparty credit risk on over-the-counter derivatives is generally limited to the aggregate unrealized gain netted against any collateral held by the Fund. The Fund attempts to mitigate counterparty risk by only entering into agreements with counterparties that it believes have the financial resources to honour their obligations and by monitoring the financial stability of those counterparties. For financial reporting purposes, financial assets and financial liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognized amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The Funds enter into various master netting agreements or similar agreements that do not meet the criteria for offsetting in the Statements of Financial Position.

In order to better define their contractual rights and to secure rights that will help the Funds mitigate their counterparty risk, the Funds may enter into an International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. Master Agreement or similar agreement with their counterparties.

### Digital Assets Risks

The Funds may invest in other investment funds ("Underlying Funds"). As of the date hereof, the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF invests in the Evolve Bitcoin ETF, Evolve Ether ETF, Evolve Solana ETF and Evolve XRP ETF (together, the "Underlying Funds" as it relates to Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF), each of which is an investment fund currently managed by the Manager that invest in digital currencies Bitcoin, Ether, Solana, and XRP respectively. The Underlying Funds' activities may expose them, and as a result, Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF, to a variety of risks associated with their investment strategies, digital assets and markets in which they invest. The Manager seeks to minimize potential adverse effects of these risks on Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF's performance by employing professional, experienced portfolio managers, by daily monitoring of the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF's position and market events.

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Significant risks that are relevant to Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF are discussed below. For more information, refer to the financial statements of the Underlying Funds which are available upon request, at no cost, by calling 1-844-370-4884, by writing to us at Evolve Funds Group Inc., 161 Bay Street, Suite 1210, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 2S1 or by visiting our website at [www.evolveetfs.com](http://www.evolveetfs.com) or SEDAR+ at [www.sedarplus.com](http://www.sedarplus.com).

### **Speculation Risk**

Investing in Bitcoin, Ether, Solana and XRP is speculative, prices are volatile, and market movements are difficult to predict. Supply and demand for Bitcoin, Ether, Solana and XRP can change rapidly and are affected by a variety of factors, including regulation and general economic trends.

### **Custody Risk and Risk of Loss**

Cidel Trust Company (the "Custodian") acts as the Custodian of the assets of the Underlying Funds pursuant to the Custodian Agreement. Coinbase Custody Trust Company, LCC (the "Sub-Custodian") acts as the Sub-Custodian in respect of the Underlying Funds' holdings of digital assets.

There is a risk that some or all of the Underlying Funds' holdings of digital assets could be lost, stolen, destroyed or inaccessible, potentially by the loss or theft of the private keys held by the Sub-Custodian associated with the public addresses that hold the Underlying Funds' digital assets and/or destruction of storage hardware. The Underlying Funds have adopted security procedures intended to protect the Underlying Funds' digital assets, but there can be no assurance that those procedures will be successful in preventing such loss, theft, or restriction on access.

If the Sub-Custodian becomes bankrupt or otherwise fails to perform its obligations due to financial difficulties, the value of an investor's investment in Units of Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF may decline. An Underlying Fund may experience significant delays in obtaining any recovery in a bankruptcy or other reorganization proceeding. An Underlying Fund may obtain only limited recovery or may obtain no recovery in such circumstances.

The Sub-Custodian is resident outside of Canada, and all of its assets are located outside Canada. As a result, anyone, including the Underlying Funds, seeking to enforce legal rights against the Sub-Custodian in Canada may find it difficult to do so. The Underlying Funds filed an undertaking with applicable securities regulatory authorities that provides that while they remain reporting issuers, the Underlying Funds will obtain from the Sub-Custodian a SOC 1 Type 2 and SOC 2 Type 2 Report or the ability for the Underlying Funds to assess the Sub-Custodians' controls.

### **Internet Disruptions Risk**

A significant disruption in internet connectivity could disrupt the Bitcoin, Ethereum, Solana and/or the XRP Network's operations until the disruption is resolved, and such disruption could have an adverse effect on the price of Bitcoin, Ether, Solana and/or XRP.

### **Cyber Security Risk**

Cyber security risk is the risk of harm, loss, and liability resulting from a failure or breach of information technology systems. Failures or breaches of the information technology systems ("Cyber Security Incidents") can result from deliberate attacks or unintentional events and may arise from external or internal sources. Deliberate cyberattacks include, but are not limited to, gaining unauthorized access to digital systems for purposes of misappropriating assets or sensitive information, corrupting data, equipment, or systems, or causing operational disruption. The primary risks to the Underlying Funds from the occurrence of a Cyber Security Incident include disruption in operations, reputational damage, disclosure of confidential information, the incurrence of regulatory penalties, additional compliance costs associated with corrective measures, and/or financial loss. The Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF and its unitholders could be negatively impacted as a result.

### **Volatility Risk**

Bitcoin, Ether, Solana and XRP's value has historically been highly volatile. The Bitcoin, Ether, Solana and XRP markets are sensitive to new developments, and since volumes are still maturing, any significant changes in market sentiment can induce large swings in volume and subsequent price changes. The value of the Bitcoin, Ether, Solana and XRP held by the Underlying Funds could decline rapidly in future periods, including to zero, and may therefore adversely affect the NAV of the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF and an investment in the units.

### **Malicious Attacks on the Network Risk**

Digital asset networks, including the Bitcoin Network, Ethereum Network, Solana Network and the XRP Ledger, are subject to control by entities that capture a significant amount of the networks' processing power or a significant number of developers important for the operation and maintenance of such digital asset network.

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Each of the Bitcoin Network, Ethereum Network, Solana Network and the XRP Ledger are periodically subject to distributed denial of service attacks to clog the list of transactions being tabulated by Bitcoin miners, Ether validators, Solana validators or XRP Ledger validators which can slow the confirmation of authentic transactions. Another avenue of attack would be if a large number of Bitcoin miners, Ether validators, Solana validators or XRP Ledger validators were taken offline, then it could take some time before the difficulty of the mining process algorithmically adjusts, which would stall block creation time and therefore transaction confirmation time. In the past, these scenarios have not caused significant delays or resulted in any significant systemic issues.

In addition, the cryptography underlying Bitcoin, Ether, Solana or XRP could prove to be flawed or ineffective, or developments in mathematics and/or technology, including advances in digital computing, algebraic geometry, and quantum computing, could result in such cryptography becoming ineffective. In any of these circumstances, a malicious actor may be able to steal the Underlying Funds' digital assets, which would adversely affect an investment in the units. Even if the affected digital asset is not Bitcoin, Ether, Solana or XRP, any reduction in confidence in the source code or cryptography underlying digital assets generally could negatively impact the demand for Bitcoin, Ether, Solana and XRP and therefore adversely affect the NAV of the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF and an investment in the units.

### Decrease in Demand Risk

A competitor to Bitcoin, Ether, Solana or XRP which gains popularity and greater market share may precipitate a reduction in the demand, use, and price of Bitcoin, Ether, Solana or XRP which may adversely impact the NAV of the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF and an investment in the units. Similarly, Bitcoin, Ether, Solana or XRP and the price of Bitcoin, Ether, Solana or XRP could be reduced by competition from incumbents in the credit card and payments industries, which may adversely impact the NAV of the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF and an investment in the units.

While the Ethereum Network stands today as the most-used developer blockchain, there could be other Layer 1 protocols that emerge, and potentially overtake, the Ethereum Network as the blockchain of choice for developers, thereby negatively impacting the network's usage and activity and Ether's price.

### Increased Regulation Risk

The regulation of Bitcoin, Ether, Solana and XRP globally continues to evolve and may restrict the use of Bitcoin, Ether, Solana or XRP or otherwise impact the demand for Bitcoin, Ether, Solana or XRP in the future. The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and the Canadian Securities Administrators generally take the view that Bitcoin, Ether, Solana and XRP are commodities, however, they have not made a formal statement regarding its classification. The European Union, Russia and Japan have moved to treat Bitcoin, Ether, Solana and XRP like currencies for taxation purposes. While the regulation of Bitcoin, Ether, Solana and XRP continues to evolve, the Manager believes that it is unlikely that a hostile regulatory environment will develop but rather such processes will bring about innovation and increased protections for Bitcoin, Ether, Solana and XRP users.

### Short History Risk

Solana and XRP are new technological innovations with limited histories. Due to their short history, it is not clear how all elements of Solana and XRP will unfold over time, specifically with regard to governance between validators, developers and users, as well as the long-term security model as the rates of inflation of Solana and XRP decrease. There is no assurance that usage of Solana or XRP and their blockchains will continue to grow. A contraction in the use of Solana or XRP or their blockchains may result in increased volatility or a reduction in the price of Solana or XRP which could have a material adverse effect on the NAV of the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF through its investment in the Evolve Solana ETF and the Evolve XRP ETF.

The Solana and XRP Networks operate on both a proof-of-history ("PoH") and proof-of-stake ("PoS") consensus model. PoH and PoS blockchain networks are newer and generally not as widely used as PoW blockchain networks and may be untested at scale. As a result, PoH and/or PoS blockchain networks may not work as intended. If PoH and/or PoS blockchain networks do not function as intended or fail to gain adoption, the value of digital assets relying on PoH and/or PoS mechanisms may be negatively affected, which could adversely affect the NAV of the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF through its investment in the Evolve Solana ETF and the Evolve XRP ETF.

### Solana Staking Activities and Rewards Risks

As of the date hereof, the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF invests in the Evolve Solana ETF, which is an investment fund currently managed by the Manager. The Evolve Solana ETF may also, subject to any required regulatory approval, stake Solana held in its portfolio in order to earn rewards for the Evolve Solana ETF, which rewards will, following the deduction of applicable fees and expenses, accrue to the Evolve Solana ETF's NAV for the benefit of Unitholders (the "Staking Arrangements"). The Manager intends to initially target staking up to 50% of the Solana held in the portfolio of the Evolve Solana ETF. The Evolve Solana ETF's Staking Arrangements are expected to be initially facilitated by the Sub-Custodian. As a result, the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF, through its investment in the Evolve Solana ETF, is subject to the risks associated with the Staking Arrangements. The Risks relating to the Staking Arrangements are described below.

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### Earning Yield Through Staking Risk

Under a PoS protocol, token holders who voluntarily commit to staking are given the exclusive right to validate transactions and participate in consensus. Token holders can elect to stake their Solana in order to earn staked Solana rewards, similar to a yield. Solana holders can actively participate in the staking of their Solana by operating a validator node, or alternatively, token holders can participate in staking by delegating their Solana to a validator node operated by another party. The Evolve Solana ETF will participate in staking by delegating its Solana to a validator node operated by a third party. The Evolve Solana ETF will not itself operate validator nodes, but may delegate Solana to the Sub-Custodian.

Validator nodes are selected randomly to validate transactions and earn staked Solana rewards for completing such validation. Approximately every 400-600 milliseconds, a new block is added to the Solana Network with the latest transactions processed by the network, and the validator that generated this block is awarded Solana. As such, there is not a competitive race to solve a mathematical puzzle that prevails in a proof-of-work consensus mechanism. One important benefit of the PoS protocol is the reduction in computing power, computing equipment and energy usage. Independent estimates are that electricity usage has decreased by over 99.5% for PoS versus proof-of-work, thus aligning with global initiatives for carbon emission reductions.

Fees are paid to validators that participate in the consensus and propose new blocks on the Solana Network and other validators earn much lower fees for attesting to each block. Validators perform both roles on a continuous basis and are called upon on a random basis. Validators perform such functions on their own behalf and not as agent for any owner of Solana that may delegate Solana to them, although rewards may also be received by owners of Solana that delegate Solana to a validator.

The Solana trading market may be impacted by the supply of Solana that voluntarily elects to commit to staking.

### Staking Timeline and Unbonding Periods Risk

Those who have staked Solana are able to withdraw their staked Solana and rewards from the Solana Network, however there are risks associated with withdrawing all or some of the staked Solana ("unbonding"). If the timing associated with the process of unbonding is for any reason delayed, the Manager will not be able to withdraw or liquidate the staked Solana. If there is a delay in the unbonding of Solana, this may prevent the Evolve Fund from realizing the fiat value of the staked Solana and rewards earned on staked Solana during the unbonding period. Given the volatility of Solana, the value of the staked Solana at the time of completion of the unbonding period may be significantly less than the value of the Solana at the time a decision is taken to withdraw staked Solana. Such delay may adversely affect the business and liquidity of the Evolve Solana ETF, and, as a result, the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF and an investment in the units.

### Reliance on Sub-Custodian for Staking Arrangements

The Evolve Solana ETF's staking arrangements could be disrupted if the Sub-Custodian experiences operational or other systems difficulties, terminates its staking services, fails to comply with regulations, or raises its prices. The Evolve Solana ETF, and the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF by virtue of its investment in the Evolve Solana ETF, may also suffer the consequences of the Sub-Custodian's mistakes, if any. For example, if the Sub-Custodian fails to behave as expected, suffers cybersecurity attacks, experiences security issues or encounters other problems, the assets of the Evolve Solana ETF may be irretrievably lost. The failure or capacity restraints of the Sub-Custodian, a cybersecurity breach involving the Sub-Custodian or the termination or change in terms or price of an agreement on which the Evolve Solana ETF relies, could disrupt Staking Arrangements, which could negatively impact the performance of the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF. Replacing the Sub-Custodian or addressing other issues with service providers could entail significant delay, expense and disruption for the Evolve Solana ETF. As a result, if the Sub-Custodian experiences difficulties, is subject to cybersecurity breaches, terminates its services, disputes the terms of a relevant agreement or raises its prices, and the Manager is unable to replace the Sub-Custodian, particularly on a timely basis, Staking Arrangements could be interrupted or disrupted.

### Slashing and Missed Rewards Risk

The Solana Network dictates requirements for participation in the relevant decentralized governance activity and may impose slashing penalties if the relevant activities are not performed correctly, such as if the validator acts maliciously on the network, "double signs" any transactions or experiences extended downtime. In terms of the Staking Arrangements, if the Sub-Custodian is slashed by the Solana Network, a variable amount of assets of the Evolve Solana ETF will be burned by the Solana Network and irretrievable by the Evolve Solana ETF. There is no assurance that the Evolve Solana ETF or the Sub-Custodian will not be subject to slashing penalties or that the Evolve Solana ETF will be able to recover any percentage of Solana that has been subject to slashing penalties, each of which could indirectly affect the performance of the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF.

Validator downtime incurs a minor inactivity penalty by the Solana Network not exceeding the activity reward earned when a validator is functioning correctly. Penalties incurred during downtime can be offset by the validator resuming its duties. During a period of extended downtime, the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF may be impacted by the fact that the Evolve Solana ETF may also be prevented from obtaining rewards in respect of periods during which the validator is inactive on the Solana Network.

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The Solana Network also imposes “bonding” periods on newly staked Solana during which staked Solana is ineligible for rewards. Once staking is initiated, a validator enters a queue to become “activated,” which takes approximately two days. During the bonding period, the staked assets of the Evolve Solana ETF will not be eligible to receive any staking rewards and may not be withdrawn.

### Due Diligence on Sub-Custodian may be Insufficient Risk

The Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF, through its investment in the Evolve Solana ETF, will indirectly be exposed to the risk of loss of staked Solana if the Sub-Custodian fails to operate its network node(s) in accordance with the rules of the Solana Network, as Solana may be “slashed” or inactivity penalties may be applied if the validator node “double signs” or experiences extended downtime. The Evolve Solana ETF may also be prevented from obtaining rewards in respect of periods during which the validator is inactive on the Solana Network. The Manager intends to mitigate these risks for the Evolve Solana ETF by conducting due diligence on the Sub-Custodian.

### No Guarantee of Receiving Rewards Risk

Staking is similar in concept to a yield generation activity. However, staking is not a passive activity as it requires the validator to engage in the active function of running validator software which may be carried out by a third party. Yields are paid in Solana and are variable depending, primarily, on the total amount of Solana staked to the network. These activities are expected to result in Solana denominated staking income accruing to the Evolve Solana ETF in respect of Solana delegated to the Sub-Custodian.

The Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF is subject to the risk that there is no guarantee that the Evolve Solana ETF will receive any rewards in respect of staked Solana. Past rewards are not indicative of future returns. The staking rewards that the Evolve Solana ETF may receive, if any, may be affected by, among other factors:

- the total amount of Solana staked by users of the Solana Network;
- the total amount of Solana staked pursuant to Staking Arrangements;
- changes to the Solana Network as a result of protocol governance decisions;
- changes to validator fees set by approved validators;
- anticipated or unanticipated downtime by approved validators;
- halts, outages or other anticipated or unanticipated interruptions affecting the Solana Network or the Sub-Custodian in performing the Staking Arrangements;
- “slashing” of Solana as a result of a violation of Solana Network rules by approved validators;
- validators ceasing to be eligible to participate in the Solana Network’s PoS mechanism and earn rewards;
- “bonding”, “unbonding” or other lock-up periods specified by the Solana Network;
- whether staking rewards are re-staked, either automatically by the Solana Network or as part of the operational processes of the Manager;
- re-delegation of the Evolve Solana ETF’s Solana to different validators; and
- delays or other operational factors related to or otherwise impacting Staking Arrangements.

## 4. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

### Administrative Fees

Each Fund will pay the Manager an Administrative Fee as set forth in the table below based on the average daily NAV of the units of the Funds to pay for expenses incurred during the day-to-day operating of the Funds. The fees specified below are the same for all classes per Fund where applicable. The Administrative Fees, plus applicable taxes, will be accrued daily and paid monthly in arrears. Administrative Fees are the same for all classes on a fund level.

The administrative fee rates applicable to each Fund are as follows:

| Fund Name                                   | Administrative Fee<br>(Annual Rate)<br>(%) |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Evolve Active Canadian Preferred Share Fund | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Active Core Fixed Income Fund        | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Active Global Fixed Income Fund      | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Automobile Innovation Index Fund     | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Cyber Security Index Fund            | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Innovation Index Fund                | 0.15% of NAV                               |

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### The administrative fee rates applicable to each Fund are as follows: (cont'd)

| Fund Name                                                   | Administrative Fee<br>(Annual Rate)<br>(%) |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Evolve E-Gaming Index ETF                                   | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Global Healthcare Enhanced Yield Fund                | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve US Banks Enhanced Yield Fund                         | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Global Materials & Mining Enhanced Yield Index ETF   | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Future Leadership Fund                               | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| High Interest Savings Account Fund                          | 0.00% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Cloud Computing Index Fund                           | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve FANGMA Index ETF                                     | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF                                 | 0.00% of NAV                               |
| Evolve European Banks Enhanced Yield ETF                    | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Canadian Banks and Lifecos Enhanced Yield Index Fund | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| US High Interest Savings Account Fund                       | 0.00% of NAV                               |
| Evolve S&P 500® Enhanced Yield Fund                         | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve S&P/TSX 60 Enhanced Yield Fund                       | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Premium Cash Management Fund                                | 0.05% of NAV                               |
| US Premium Cash Management Fund                             | 0.05% of NAV                               |
| Evolve NASDAQ Technology Index Fund                         | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve NASDAQ Technology Enhanced Yield Index Fund          | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Enhanced Yield Bond Fund                             | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Artificial Intelligence Fund                         | 0.25% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund         | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Canadian Aggregate Bond Enhanced Yield Fund          | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Enhanced Yield Mid Term Bond Fund                    | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Canadian Energy Enhanced Yield Index Fund            | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Levered Bitcoin ETF                                  | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Levered Ether ETF                                    | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve US Equity UltraYield ETF                             | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Canadian Equity UltraYield ETF                       | 0.15% of NAV                               |
| Evolve Big Six Canadian Banks UltraYield Index ETF          | 0.15% of NAV                               |

### Management Fees

Each Fund will pay the Manager a management fee as set forth in the table below based on the average daily NAV of the units of the Funds. The Manager, in its capacity as manager of the Funds, manages the day-to-day business of each Fund, including negotiating contractual agreements with service providers and preparing reports to unitholders and securities regulatory authorities. The management fee, plus applicable taxes, will be accrued daily and paid monthly in arrears. The Manager may, from time to time at its discretion, waive all or a portion of the management fee charged at any given time. Expenses payable to the Manager and receivable on expenses waived by the Manager are disclosed in the Statements of Financial Position.

### The management fee rates applicable to the respective classes of each Fund are as follows:

| Fund Name                                   | Class              | Management Fee<br>(Annual Rate)<br>(%) |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Evolve Active Canadian Preferred Share Fund | Unhedged ETF Units | 0.65% of NAV                           |
|                                             | Unhedged Class A   | 1.40% of NAV                           |
|                                             | Unhedged Class F   | 0.65% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Active Core Fixed Income Fund        | Unhedged ETF Units | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                             | Unhedged Class A   | 1.20% of NAV                           |
|                                             | Unhedged Class F   | 0.45% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Active Global Fixed Income Fund      | Hedged ETF Units   | 0.65% of NAV                           |
|                                             | Hedged Class A     | 1.40% of NAV                           |
|                                             | Hedged Class F     | 0.65% of NAV                           |

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### The management fee rates applicable to the respective classes of each Fund are as follows: (cont'd)

| Fund Name                                                   | Class                        | Management Fee<br>(Annual Rate)<br>(%) |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Evolve Automobile Innovation Index Fund                     | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Hedged Class A               | 1.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Hedged Class F               | 0.40% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Cyber Security Index Fund                            | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Hedged Class A               | 1.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Hedged Class F               | 0.40% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Innovation Index Fund                                | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Hedged Class A               | 1.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Hedged Class F               | 0.40% of NAV                           |
| Evolve E-Gaming Index ETF                                   | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.70% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Global Healthcare Enhanced Yield Fund                | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Hedged Class A               | 1.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Hedged Class F               | 0.45% of NAV                           |
| Evolve US Banks Enhanced Yield Fund                         | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.45% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Global Materials & Mining Enhanced Yield Index ETF   | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.60% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.60% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Future Leadership Fund                               | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.75% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.75% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.75% of NAV                           |
| High Interest Savings Account Fund                          | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.15% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class A             | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class F             | 0.15% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class I             | Negotiable                             |
| Evolve Cloud Computing Index Fund                           | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.60% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.60% of NAV                           |
| Evolve FANGMA Index ETF                                     | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.40% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF                                 | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.00% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.00% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class A             | 1.00% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class F             | 0.00% of NAV                           |
| Evolve European Banks Enhanced Yield ETF                    | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.60% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.60% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.60% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Hedged Class A               | 1.60% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Hedged Class F               | 0.60% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Canadian Banks and Lifecos Enhanced Yield Index Fund | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.60% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class A             | 1.60% of NAV                           |
|                                                             | Unhedged Class F             | 0.60% of NAV                           |

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| Fund Name                                           | Class                        | Management Fee<br>(Annual Rate)<br>(%) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| US High Interest Savings Account Fund               | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.15% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class A             | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class F             | 0.15% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class I             | Negotiable                             |
| Evolve S&P 500® Enhanced Yield Fund                 | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class A             | 1.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class F             | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class H             | 0.30% of NAV                           |
| Evolve S&P/TSX 60 Enhanced Yield Fund               | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class A             | 1.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class F             | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class H             | 0.30% of NAV                           |
| Premium Cash Management Fund                        | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.20% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class A             | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class F             | 0.20% of NAV                           |
| US Premium Cash Management Fund                     | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.20% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class A             | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class F             | 0.20% of NAV                           |
| Evolve NASDAQ Technology Index Fund                 | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.25% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.25% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.25% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Hedged Class A               | 1.25% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Hedged Class F               | 0.25% of NAV                           |
|                                                     |                              |                                        |
| Evolve NASDAQ Technology Enhanced Yield Index Fund  | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.50% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.50% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.50% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Hedged Class A               | 1.50% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Hedged Class F               | 0.50% of NAV                           |
|                                                     |                              |                                        |
| Evolve Enhanced Yield Bond Fund                     | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Hedged Class A               | 1.20% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Hedged Class F               | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     |                              |                                        |
| Evolve Artificial Intelligence Fund                 | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.60% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Canadian Utilities Enhanced Yield Index Fund | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.60% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class A             | 1.60% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class F             | 0.60% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Canadian Aggregate Bond Enhanced Yield Fund  | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class A             | 1.20% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class F             | 0.45% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Enhanced Yield Mid Term Bond Fund            | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Hedged Class A               | 1.20% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Hedged Class F               | 0.45% of NAV                           |
|                                                     |                              |                                        |
| Evolve Canadian Energy Enhanced Yield Index Fund    | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.60% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class A             | 1.60% of NAV                           |
|                                                     | Unhedged Class F             | 0.60% of NAV                           |

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| Fund Name                                          | Class                        | Management Fee<br>(Annual Rate)<br>(%) |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Evolve Levered Bitcoin ETF                         | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.00% of NAV                           |
|                                                    | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.00% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Levered Ether ETF                           | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.00% of NAV                           |
|                                                    | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.00% of NAV                           |
| Evolve US Equity UltraYield ETF                    | Hedged ETF Units             | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                    | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                    | US Dollar Unhedged ETF Units | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                    | Hedged Class A               | 1.40% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Canadian Equity UltraYield ETF              | Hedged Class F               | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                    | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                    | Unhedged Class A             | 1.40% of NAV                           |
|                                                    | Unhedged Class F             | 0.40% of NAV                           |
| Evolve Big Six Canadian Banks UltraYield Index ETF | Unhedged ETF Units           | 0.60% of NAV                           |
|                                                    | Unhedged Class A             | 1.60% of NAV                           |
|                                                    | Unhedged Class F             | 0.60% of NAV                           |

### Staking Service Fee

As of the date hereof, the Evolve Cryptocurrencies ETF invests in the Evolve Solana ETF, which is an investment fund currently managed by the Manager. The Evolve Solana ETF also pays the Manager a fee equal to a portion of the staking rewards generated for the Evolve Solana ETF by the staking of Solana held in the Evolve Solana ETF's portfolio (net of the fees payable to the validator(s)) such that no less than 65% of the rewards accrue to the Evolve Solana ETF and up to 35% of the rewards accrue to the Manager (the "Staking Service Fee"). The Staking Service Fee charged by the Manager is payable in Solana, and will only be deducted from any rewards generated by Staking Arrangements which will generate income to the Evolve Solana ETF.

## 5. REDEEMABLE UNITS

Each Fund is authorized to issue an unlimited number of redeemable, transferable units, each of which represents an equal, undivided interest in the net assets of that Fund.

All units of each Fund have equal rights and privileges. Each whole unit is entitled to one vote at all meetings of unitholders and is entitled to participate equally with respect to any and all distributions made by each Fund to unitholders, other than management fee distributions, but including distributions of net income, net realized capital gains, and distributions upon the termination of each Fund. Any special distributions payable in units of each Fund will increase the aggregate adjusted cost base of a unitholder's units. Immediately following payment of such a special distribution in units, the number of units of each Fund outstanding will be automatically consolidated such that the number of units that each unitholder will hold after such distribution will be equal to the number of units held by such unitholder immediately prior to such distribution, except in the case of a non-resident unitholder to the extent tax is required to be withheld in respect of the distribution. Units are issued only as fully paid and are non-assessable.

Units of an Evolve ETF may be bought and sold over a designated exchange. However, on any trading day, unitholders of ETF units may also exchange the prescribed number of units (or an integral multiple thereof) for baskets of securities and/or cash at a redemption price per unit equal to 95% of the closing price for the applicable units on the applicable exchange the units of the Fund being redeemed is trading on, subject to a maximum redemption price per unit equal to the NAV per unit on the effective day of redemption. The right to redeem units of the Funds may be suspended with the approval of the Canadian Securities Administrators.

Transactions in units for the Funds are disclosed in the Fund Specific Notes to Financial Statements. The consideration for the purchase of creation units of the Funds generally consists of the in-kind contribution of a designated portfolio of equity securities constituting a portfolio sampling representation of the securities included in the relevant Funds' underlying index and an amount of cash. Investors purchasing and redeeming creation units may be charged a purchase transaction fee and a redemption transaction fee to offset transfer and other transaction costs associated with the issuance and redemption of creation units.

Units issued and outstanding are considered to be capital of the Funds. The Funds are not subject to externally imposed capital requirements and have no legal restrictions on the issue, repurchase or resale of redeemable shares beyond those included in the Funds' prospectuses. The capital received by each Fund is managed to achieve the investment objective of each Fund while maintaining liquidity to satisfy unitholder redemptions.

## Notes to Financial Statements (cont'd)

As at and for the periods as disclosed in the financial statements (Note 1) December 31, 2025

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The changes in issued and outstanding units of the Funds can be found in the Statements of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Units.

### 6. INCOME TAXES

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The Funds qualify or intend to qualify as mutual fund trusts, under the provisions of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

Capital losses and non-capital losses available in the Funds are presented in the Fund Specific Notes to Financial Statements, as applicable. Capital losses may be carried forward indefinitely and used to reduce future realized capital gains. Non-capital losses may be used to reduce future net income and capital gains for up to 20 years. The Funds may incur withholding taxes imposed by certain countries on investment income and capital gains. Such income and gains are recorded on a gross basis and the related withholding taxes are shown as a separate expense in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

Occasionally, distributions by the Funds will exceed the net investment income and taxable capital gains realized by the Funds. To the extent that the excess is not designated by the Funds to be income for Canadian tax purposes and taxable to holders of redeemable units, this excess distribution is a return of capital and is not immediately taxable to unitholders.

### 7. STRUCTURED ENTITIES

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The Funds may invest in other Underlying Funds. Each Underlying Fund invests in a portfolio of assets or digital assets, as applicable in accordance with the Fund's investment objectives, to generate returns in the form of investment income and capital appreciation for its unitholders. Each Underlying Fund finances its operations primarily through the issuance of units, which are puttable at the unitholder's option and entitle the unitholder to a proportionate share of the Underlying Fund's net assets. The Funds' interests in Underlying Funds, held in the form of redeemable units, are reported in their Schedule of Investments at fair value, which represents the Funds' maximum exposure on those investments. Distributions earned from Underlying Funds are included in "Income" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income. The net realized and change in unrealized gains (losses) arising from Underlying Funds are also included in the Statements of Comprehensive Income. The Funds do not provide any additional significant financial or other support to Underlying Funds.



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