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Sustainable Innovation & Health *Dividend Fund*Announces Capital Commitment in Sagard Healthcare Royalty Partners

Middlefield Group is pleased to announce that the Sustainable Innovation & Health Dividend Fund ("SIH" or "the Fund") (TSX: SIH.UN) has made an initial capital commitment to Sagard Healthcare Royalty Partners ICAV ("SHRP") in the amount of US\$5,000,000.

SHRP is a private fund seeking to generate returns on innovation for owners of royalties and intellectual property through a flexible mandate including royalty monetization, royalty-backed debt and secured credit investments. It is focused on approved and commercialized biopharmaceutical products, diagnostics and medical devices which supports stable and predictable cash flows. SHRP is led by a proven team of industry experts with deep experience in healthcare investing. It is a division of Sagard Holdings, a multi-strategy alternative asset manager with professionals located in Montreal, Toronto, Calgary, New York, Paris, San Francisco, and Southeast Asia. Sagard Holdings is a member of the Power Corporation of Canada group of companies.

The partnership with SHRP builds upon Middlefield's longstanding track record of launching specialized and unique investment solutions for individual and institutional investors. This investment complements Sustainable Innovation & Health *Dividend Fund*'s portfolio of leading, publicly-listed technology and healthcare companies. In addition, the Fund actively incorporates ESG investment principles into its security selection process, making it well-positioned to benefit from accelerating societal trends and themes. The Fund pays \$0.40 per unit annually in the form of monthly distributions.

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Formed in 1979, Middlefield creates and manages specialized investment products for individual and institutional investors and has assets under management of approximately \$4 billion. Investment products include exchange-traded funds, mutual funds, closed-end funds, private and public resource funds, real estate funds and a venture capital fund.

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