

**Western Asset High Income Opportunity Fund Inc.
Announces Results of Annual Meeting of Shareholders**

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Western Asset High Income Opportunity Fund Inc. (NYSE: HIO) announced today the results of the votes cast at the Fund's annual meeting of shareholders held on January 30, 2015.

Paolo M. Cucchi, Eileen A. Kamerick and Kenneth D. Fuller were elected as Class II Directors of the Fund by shareholders of the Fund's common stock to hold office until the annual meeting of shareholders in the year 2018 or thereafter when respective successors are duly elected and qualified or until they resign or are otherwise removed.

Robert D. Agdern was elected as a Class I Director of the Fund by shareholders of the Fund's common stock to hold office until the annual meeting of shareholders in the year 2017 or thereafter when respective successors are duly elected and qualified or until he resigns or is otherwise removed.

Western Asset High Income Opportunity Fund Inc. is a diversified closed-end management investment company that is advised by Legg Mason Partners Fund Advisor, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Legg Mason, Inc., and is sub-advised by Western Asset Management Company, an affiliate of the adviser.

Contact the Fund at 1-888-777-0102 for more information or consult the Fund's web site at www.lmcef.com. Hard copies of the Fund's complete audited financial statements are available free of charge upon request.

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