

# Interim Management Report of Fund Performance (MRFP)

For the period ended June 30, 2024

Tangerine® Balanced Growth Portfolio

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# Manager and Portfolio Advisor

1832 Asset Management L.P. (the "Manager")

# Sub-advisor

State Street Global Advisors, Ltd. (the "sub-advisor")

# **Investment Objective and Strategies**

The Tangerine Balanced Growth Portfolio (the "Fund") seeks to provide capital appreciation by investing in both fixed income and equity securities based on a targeted allocation among four different types of investments in the following proportions:



Each of the four investment types seek to replicate, as closely as possible, the performance of a recognized securities index. Currently, the Canadian bond component seeks to replicate the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index; the Canadian equities component seeks to replicate the S&P/TSX 60 Index; the U.S. equities component seeks to replicate the S&P 500 Index; and the international equities component seeks to replicate the MSCI EAFE Index.

#### Risk

The risks associated with investing in the Fund are as described in the Simplified Prospectus. There were no material changes to the Fund over the year that affected the overall level of risk of the Fund.

# **Results of Operations**

The Fund had net assets of \$1,454 million at June 30, 2024 and \$1,383 million at December 31, 2023. The Fund's net assets increased by \$71 million over the six month period ended on June 30, 2024. The change was composed of investment performance of \$107 million and net redemptions of \$36 million.

#### **Investment Results**

The Fund's return for the six-month period ended June 30, 2024 was 7.78% versus 8.33% for the Fund's product benchmark. The Fund aims to track the performance for its benchmark as closely as possible before the deductions of fees and expenses. For the period, the Fund tracked the product benchmark before fees and expenses. The table below shows the returns of the indices that make up the Fund's product benchmark.

Component	Index	2024 Return <sup>1</sup>	
Canadian Bonds	FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index (C\$)	(0.38)%	
Canadian Equities	S&P/TSX 60 Index (C\$)	4.90%	
U.S. Equities	S&P 500 Index (C\$)	19.64%	
International Equities	MSCI EAFE Index (C\$)	9.31%	

<sup>(1)</sup> Six month total return. In accordance with National Instrument 81-106, we have included a comparison to broad-based indices to help you understand the Fund's performance relative to the general performance of the market, but caution that the Fund's mandate maybe significantly different from the indices shown.

Global growth remains moderate but steady. Earlier in June, the Bank of Canada and the European Central Bank cut their policy rates ahead of the US Federal Reserve (Fed). With that, 30 countries have lower policy rates in June.

The Bank of Canada (BoC) has begun the process of lowering interest rates by cutting its overnight lending rate to 4.75%, down from 5%, the level it has maintained since July 2023. The bank also acknowledged that "monetary policy no longer needs to be as restrictive" while at the same time, they will proceed cautiously as "risks to the inflation outlook remain." Since our June update, recent data seems to support back-to-back rate cuts. Across Canada, we now expect Canada's GDP to grow 0.9% in 2024, down slightly from the 1.0% we forecast last quarter, before the economy picks up in earnest in 2025. Latest GDP data shows weaker-than- expected Q1 GDP growth and a big downward revision to Q4 growth. Q1 GDP grew 1.7% g/g saar, softer than consensus at 2.2% and much lower than the BoC's latest forecast of 2.8%. Q4 growth was also revised lower to just 0.1% from 1.0%. Final domestic demand came in at a very strong 2.9% q/q, with consumer spending supporting growth. However, we need to be careful when interpreting the data as there could be some temporary seasonal influences at play like last year.

The Canadian bond market, as measured by the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index, returned -0.38% over the six-month period. Canadian stocks, was measured by the S&P/TSX 60 Index, for the six-months period (Jan 2024 to June 2024) up by 4.9%. Similarly, international equities, as measured by the MSCI EAFE Index, rose by 9.31% in Canadian-dollar terms. In the U.S., the S&P 500 Index ended the period up 19.64% in Canadian-dollar terms.

#### **Canadian Bonds**

Within the Fund's Canadian fixed income component, Non-REIT, REIT, and ABS sectors posted the highest returns, while Northwest Territories, Quebec, and Prince Edward Island posted the weakest returns. Great-West Lifeco Inc (3.6% 12/31/81), Intact Financial Corp (3/31/81) TransEd Partners GP (3.951% 9/30/50) were the strongest-performing holdings within the Fund. Hydro-Quebec (2.1% 2/15/60), Canada Gov Bond (1.75%

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12/1/53) and Canada Gov Bond (2.75% 12/1/64) were the weakest-performing holdings within the Fund.

#### **Canadian Equities**

Within the Fund's Canadian equities component, the Energy sector posted the highest return, followed by Materials and Financials. Meanwhile, the Communication Services, Information Technology, and Utilities sectors underperformed during the period. The best-performing securities within the S&P/TSX 60 Index were Royal Bank of Canada, Manulife Financial Corporation, and Constellation Software Inc. On the other hand Toronto-Dominion Bank, Shopify, Inc. Class A and Bank of Montreal were the worst-performing securities within the index.

#### **U.S. Equities**

Within the Fund's U.S. equities component, Information Technology posted the highest return, followed by Communication Services and Financials sectors. Real Estate sector had negative return, while the Materials and Utilities sectors underperformed. From an individual securities perspective, the best-performing stocks within the S&P 500 Index were NVIDIA Corporation, Microsoft Corporation and Amazon.com, Inc. On the other hand Tesla, Inc., Intel Corporation and Boeing Company were the worst-performing stocks within the index.

#### **International Equities**

Within the Fund's international equities component, the best-performing sector was Financials, followed by Industrials and Health Care. Real Estate sector detracted from the performance followed by Consumer Staples and Materials during the period. The best-performing securities within the MSCI EAFE Index during the period were Novo Nordisk A/S Class B, ASML Holding NV and SAP SE. The worst-performing securities were BHP Group Ltd , Nestle S.A. and AIA Group Limited.

# Recent Developments

On April 1, 2024, 1832 Asset Management L.P. became the manager of Tangerine Funds, taking over from Tangerine Investment Management Inc.

# **Related-Party Transactions**

Affiliates of 1832 Asset Management L.P. may earn fees and spreads in connection with various services provided to, or transactions with the Fund, including securities lending transactions and other services as described below:

#### Manager, Trustee and Portfolio Advisor

1832 Asset Management L.P. is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Bank of Nova Scotia ("Scotiabank"). 1832 Asset

Management L.P. is the manager and trustee of the Fund. 1832 Asset Management L.P. is responsible for the Fund's day to day operations, and appoints the portfolio advisor and distributors for the Fund.

#### Management and Administration Fees

1832 Asset Management L.P. is paid a management fee by the Fund as compensation for its services as well as a fixed administration fee. 1832 Asset Management L.P. in turn pays certain operating expenses of the Fund. Further details about the management fee and the fixed administration fee can be found in the Fund's most recent simplified prospectus.

#### **Principal Distributor**

Tangerine Investment Funds Limited (the "principal distributor") is the principal distributor of the Fund and is an affiliate of 1832 Asset Management L.P. The principal distributor receives an ongoing trailer commission from 1832 Asset Management L.P. based on the total value of the units of the Fund held by its clients. Trailer commissions are paid by 1832 Asset Management L.P. out of the management fees it receives from the Fund.

#### **Securities Lending Transactions**

The Fund did not participate in securities lending transactions with a related party during the period.

#### **Buying and Selling Securities**

1832 Asset Management L.P. has established an Independent Review Committee ("IRC") which acts as an impartial and independent committee to review and provide recommendations or, in certain cases, approvals respecting any conflict of interest matters referred to it by the Manager.

The Manager and the Fund relied on standing instructions from the IRC in respect of one or more of the following types of transactions:

- Investing in or holding securities of a related issuer.
- Paying brokerage commissions and spreads to a related party for effecting security transactions on an agency and principal basis on behalf of the Fund.
- Investments in the securities of issuers for which a related underwriter acted as an underwriter during the distribution of such securities and the 60-day period following the completion of such distribution.

The applicable standing instructions require that investment decisions relating to the above types of transactions, among other relevant terms and conditions of the Manager's conflict policies and procedures, (i) are made free from any influence by the Manager or any entity related to the Manager and without

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taking into account any considerations relevant to the Manager or any entity related to the Manager; (ii) represent the business judgment of the portfolio advisor uninfluenced by any consideration other than the best interests of the Fund; and (iii) achieve a fair and reasonable result for the Fund.

# **Related Brokerage Commissions**

No related-party brokerage commissions were paid.

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# **Financial Highlights**

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help the reader understand the Fund's financial performance over each of the past five years ended December 31 and for the six months ended June 30, 2024. The information on the following tables is based on prescribed regulations and as a result, is not expected to add down due to the increase (decrease) in net assets from operations being based on average units outstanding during the period and all other numbers being based on actual units outstanding at the relevant point in time. Footnotes for the tables are found at the end of the Financial Highlights section.

#### Net Assets per Unit<sup>1</sup> (\$)

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net assets – beginning of period	\$19.28	\$17.35	\$19.69	\$17.41	\$16.23	\$14.21
Increase (decrease) from operations:						
Total revenue	0.30	0.52	0.49	0.46	0.42	0.44
Total expenses	(0.11)	(0.20)	(0.19)	(0.20)	(0.17)	(0.17)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.41	0.42	0.30	0.63	0.36	0.03
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.91	1.50	(2.66)	1.64	0.84	1.98
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>2</sup>	\$1.51	\$2.24	\$(2.06)	\$2.53	\$1.45	\$2.28
Distributions:						
From income (excluding dividends)	_	(0.15)	(0.18)	(0.11)	(0.12)	(0.14)
From dividends	_	(0.16)	(0.15)	(0.14)	(0.13)	(0.13)
From capital gains	_	_	_	_	_	_
Return of capital	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total annual distributions <sup>3</sup>	_	(0.31)	(0.33)	(0.25)	(0.25)	(0.27)
Net assets – end of period	\$20.79	\$19.28	\$17.35	\$19.69	\$17.41	\$16.23

# Ratios and Supplemental data

Total net asset value (000's) <sup>4</sup>	\$1,454,436	\$1,383,231	\$1,322,993	\$1,556,377	\$1,300,270	\$1,090,308
Number of units outstanding (000's) <sup>4</sup>	69,975	71,735	76,242	79,045	74,683	67,194
Management expense ratio <sup>5</sup>	1.06%	1.06%	1.06%	1.06%	1.06%	1.07%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>5</sup>	1.06%	1.06%	1.06%	1.06%	1.06%	1.07%
Trading expense ratio <sup>6</sup>	0.00%	0.00%	0.01%	0.01%	0.01%	0.00%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>7</sup>	6.44%	9.38%	16.97%	16.42%	18.51%	12.40%
Net asset value per unit	\$20.79	\$19.28	\$17.35	\$19.69	\$17.41	\$16.23

#### Notes:

- (1) This information is derived from the Fund's annual audited financial statements, except for 2024, which is derived from the Fund's unaudited interim financial statements. The information for the net asset per unit section of the financial highlights are based on IFRS Accounting Standards ("IFRS").
- (2) Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial period.
- (3) Distributions were paid in cash/reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.
- (4) This information is provided as at June 30, 2024 and December 31 of the years shown.
- (5) Management expense ratio ("MER") is based on total expenses plus harmonized sales tax (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the year. The manger absorbed certain expenses of the fund. Such absorptions may be terminated at any time without notice.
- (6) The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period.
- (7) The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio adviser manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The higher a portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by the fund in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the period. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance.

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# **Management Fees**

The breakdown of services received by 1832 Asset Management L.P. as a percentage of management fees earned is as follows:

Management Fees	Distribution	Other*	
0.80%	50%	50%	

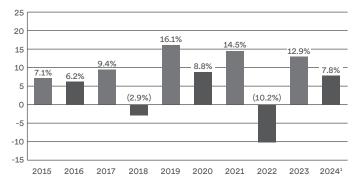
<sup>\*</sup> Includes investment advisory fees, administration fees

#### **Past Performance**

The performance information shown assumes that all distributions made by the Fund in the periods shown were reinvested in additional units of the Fund and would be lower if the distributions were not reinvested. In addition, the performance information does not take into account any income taxes that may have been paid by investors who have invested in non-registered accounts. Past performance does not necessarily indicate how the Fund may perform in the future.

#### Year-by-Year Returns

The chart below indicates the Fund's performance in each of the years shown and illustrates how the Fund's performance has changed from year to year. The chart demonstrates, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on the first day of each financial year would have grown or decreased by the last day of each financial year.



(1) For the six-month period ended June 30, 2024.

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# **Summary of Investment Portfolio** (as at June 30, 2024)

Asset Allocation\* (% of Net Asset Value)



<sup>\*</sup> Actual allocation among the four investment types may deviate from the target allocations. The allocations are reviewed on a quarterly basis and if the Fund allocations deviate from the thresholds outlined in the Simplified Prospectus, the Fund will be re-balanced back to the target weightings.

Top :	% of Net Asset Value	
1.	Royal Bank of Canada	2.0%
2.	Microsoft Corporation	1.9%
3.	NVIDIA Corporation	1.7%
4.	Apple Inc.	1.7%
5.	The Toronto-Dominion Bank	1.3%
6.	Alphabet Inc.	1.1%
7.	Shopify Inc. Cl. A	1.1%
8.	Canadian Natural Resources Limited	1.0%
9.	Amazon.com, Inc.	1.0%
10.	Enbridge Inc.	1.0%
11.	Canadian Pacific Kansas City Limited	1.0%
12.	Canadian National Railway Company	0.9%
13.	Bank of Montreal	0.8%
14.	Brookfield Corporation Cl. A	0.8%
15.	Constellation Software Inc.	0.7%
16.	The Bank of Nova Scotia	0.7%
17.	Novo Nordisk A/S Cl. B	0.7%
18.	Suncor Energy Inc.	0.6%
19.	Manulife Financial Corporation	0.6%
20.	Meta Platforms Inc. Cl. A	0.6%
21.	ASML Holding NV	0.6%
22.	Waste Connections, Inc.	0.6%
23.	Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	0.6%
24.	Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc.	0.5%
25.	TC Energy Corporation	0.5%
Tota	l Top 25	24.0%

The summary of investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund and a quarterly update is available at www.tangerine.ca.

# A Note on Forward-looking Statements

This report may contain forward-looking statements about the Fund, its future performance, strategies or prospects, and possible future Fund action. The words "may," "could," "should," "would," "suspect," "outlook," "believe," "plan," "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "forecast," "objective" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties, both about the Fund and general economic factors, so it is possible that predictions, forecasts, projections and other forward-looking statements will not be achieved. We caution the reader not to place undue reliance on these statements as a number of important factors could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-looking statement made by the Fund. These factors include, but are not limited to, general economic, political and market factors in Canada, the United States and internationally, interest and foreign exchange rates, global equity and capital markets, business competition, technological changes, changes in laws and regulations, judicial or regulatory judgments, legal proceedings and catastrophic events. The above list of important factors that may affect future results is not exhaustive. Before making any investment decisions, we encourage the reader to consider these and other factors carefully. All opinions contained in forward-looking statements are subject to change without notice and are provided in good faith but without legal responsibility.

