

## **Horizons ETFs Announces Temporary Suspension of New Subscriptions for Units of BetaPro S&P 500 VIX Short-Term Futures™ Daily Inverse ETF (HVI)**

**Toronto – February 27, 2018** – Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc. (the “**Manager**”) has announced today that it will not be accepting any new subscriptions for units of the BetaPro S&P 500 VIX Short-Term Futures™ Inverse ETF (“**HVI**”), which trades on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol HVI.

Due to a change in business, operations and affairs of HVI, the Manager does not expect HVI to be able to meet its current stated investment objective after the close of trading today. Accordingly, the Manager has suspended new subscriptions until further notice. Redemptions on HVI will continue to be accepted in the normal course. After the close of trading today, it is anticipated by the Manager that the performance of HVI will only correspond to approximately one-half times the inverse (opposite) multiple of the daily performance of the S&P 500 VIX Short Term Futures Index.

The Manager anticipates that purchases of new units at the available offer price on the secondary market are not expected to be reflective of the underlying net asset value per unit. The Manager anticipates that the secondary market will continue to provide holders of units with a forum to sell units at a price reflective of the net asset value per unit.

**It is imperative to note that units of HVI are expected to trade at a substantial premium to their net asset value while subscriptions of new units are suspended. As a result, the Manager strongly discourages investors from purchasing units of HVI at this time.**

The Manager is assessing various courses of action with respect to HVI, and currently intends to call a special meeting of unitholders of HVI as soon as practicable, in order to amend HVI’s investment objectives. Should such a change to the investment objective not prove to be practicable, the Manager will consider other courses of action with respect to HVI. Any course of action with respect to HVI will be taken in accordance with the declaration of trust of HVI, and in accordance with applicable securities law.

If the Manager pursues a change to the investment objective of HVI, the Manager currently anticipates that the investment objective would change from seeking to correspond to one times the inverse (opposite) multiple of the daily performance of the S&P 500 VIX Short Term Futures Index to seeking to correspond to one-half times the inverse (opposite) multiple of the daily performance of the S&P 500 VIX Short Term Futures Index.

The Manager will advise if there are any further developments with respect to HVI.

**About Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc. ([www.HorizonsETFs.com](http://www.HorizonsETFs.com))**

Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc. is an innovative financial services company and offers one of the largest suites of exchange traded funds in Canada. The Horizons ETFs product suite includes a broadly diversified range of solutions for investors of all experience levels to

meet their investment objectives in a variety of market conditions. Horizons ETFs currently has more than \$9.9 billion of assets under management and 82 ETFs listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange. Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc. is a member of the Mirae Asset Global Investments Group.

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*The Horizons Exchange Traded Products consist of the Horizons Index ETFs ("Index ETFs"), 2x Daily Bull and 2x Daily Bear ETFs ("2x Daily ETFs"), Inverse ETFs ("Inverse ETFs") and VIX ETFs (defined below). The 2x Daily ETFs and certain other Horizons Exchange Traded Products use leveraged investment techniques that can magnify gains and losses and may result in greater volatility of returns. These Horizons Exchange Traded Products are subject to leverage risk and may be subject to aggressive investment risk and price volatility risk, which, where applicable, are described in their respective prospectuses. Each 2x Daily ETF seeks a return, before fees and expenses, that is either 200% or -200% of the performance of a specified underlying index, commodity or benchmark (the "Target") for a single day. Each Index ETF or Inverse ETF seeks a return that is 100% or -100%, respectively, of the performance of a Target. Due to the compounding of daily returns, a 2x Daily ETF's or Inverse ETF's returns over periods other than one day will likely differ in amount and, for the 2x Daily ETFs, possibly direction from the performance of their respective Target(s) for the same period. The Horizons Exchange Traded Products whose Target is the S&P 500 VIX Short-Term Futures Index™ (the "VIX ETFs"), one of which is a 2x Daily VIX ETF, one of which is a (1x) VIX ETF, and one of which is a (-1x) Inverse VIX ETF as described in their prospectus, are speculative investment tools that are not conventional investments. The VIX ETFs' Target is highly volatile. As a result, the VIX ETFs are not generally viewed as stand-alone long-term investments. Historically, the VIX ETFs' Target has tended to revert to a historical mean. As a result, the performance of the VIX ETFs' Target is expected to be negative over the longer term and neither the 2x Daily nor (1x) VIX ETFs nor their Target are expected to have positive long term performance. In addition, the VIX ETFs' Target has historically experienced some significant one-day increases when equity markets have had large negative returns which, if repeated, could cause the Inverse (-1x) VIX ETF to suffer substantial losses. **Investors should monitor their holdings, as frequently as daily, to ensure that they remain consistent with their investment strategies.***