Truth in Testimony Disclosure Form

In accordance with Rule XI, clause 2(g)(5)* of the Rules of the House of Representatives, witnesses are asked to disclose the following information. Please complete this form electronically by filling in the provided blanks.

Committee: Agriculture
Subcommittee: Nutrition, Oversight, and Department Operations
Hearing Date: 06/08/2022
Hearing Title: "A 2022 Review of the Farm Bill: Stakeholder Perspectives on SNAP*

Witness Name: Michael J. Beal
Position/Title: CFO - Balls Food Stores
Witness Type: ○ Governmental • Non-governmental
Are you representing yourself or an organization? ○ Self • Organization
If you are representing an organization, please list what entity or entities you are representing:
National Grocers Association

FOR WITNESSES APPEARING IN A NON-GOVERNMENTAL CAPACITY
Please complete the following fields. If necessary, attach additional sheet(s) to provide more information.

Are you a fiduciary—including, but not limited to, a director, officer, advisor, or resident agent—of any organization or entity that has an interest in the subject matter of the hearing? If so, please list the name of the organization(s) or entities.

I am an officer and a director of Balls Food Stores, a local retail grocer serving the greater Kansas City Missouri metro area.
Please list any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) related to the hearing's subject matter that you, the organization(s) you represent, or entities for which you serve as a fiduciary have received in the past thirty-six months from the date of the hearing. Include the source and amount of each grant or contract.

We have not received any grants directly, however, a grant issued to the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) provides funds for SNAP beneficiaries to eat healthier and our stores participate in that program which allows the SNAP beneficiaries to earn credit towards free produce items.

Please list any contracts, grants, or payments originating with a foreign government and related to the hearing's subject matter that you, the organization(s) you represent, or entities for which you serve as a fiduciary have received in the past thirty-six months from the date of the hearing. Include the amount and country of origin of each contract or payment.

None

Please complete the following fields. If necessary, attach additional sheet(s) to provide more information.

☐ I have attached a written statement of proposed testimony.

☐ I have attached my curriculum vitae or biography.

* Rule XI, clause 2(g)(5), of the U.S. House of Representatives provides:

(5)(A) Each committee shall, to the greatest extent practicable, require witnesses who appear before it to submit in advance written statements of proposed testimony and to limit their initial presentations to the committee to brief summaries thereof.

(B) In the case of a witness appearing in a non-governmental capacity, a written statement of proposed testimony shall include—

(i) a curriculum vitae; (ii) a disclosure of any Federal grants or contracts, or contracts, grants, or payments originating with a foreign government, received during the past 36 months by the witness or by an entity represented by the witness and related to the subject matter of the hearing; and (iii) a disclosure of whether the witness is a fiduciary (including, but not limited to, a director, officer, advisor, or resident agent) of any organization or entity that has an interest in the subject matter of the hearing.

(C) The disclosure referred to in subdivision (B)(iii) shall include— (i) the amount and source of each Federal grant (or subgrant thereof) or contract (or subcontract thereof) related to the subject matter of the hearing; and (ii) the amount and country of origin of any payment or contract related to the subject matter of the hearing originating with a foreign government.

(D) Such statements, with appropriate redactions to protect the privacy or security of the witness, shall be made publicly available in electronic form 24 hours before the witness appears to the extent practicable, but not later than one day after the witness appears.