

Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2022 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning 11/01/2022 and ending 10/31/2023	
A	This return/report is for: ☐ a multiemployer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) ☒ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____
B	This return/report is: ☐ the first return/report ☐ the final return/report ☐ an amended return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C	If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ ☐
D	Check box if filing under: ☒ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program ☐ special extension (enter description)
E	If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. ▶ ☐

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information		
1a	Name of plan THE ELI'S CHEESECAKE COMPANY 401(K) AND PROFIT SHARING PLAN	1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
		1c	Effective date of plan 11/01/1988
2a	Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) THE ELI'S CHEESECAKE COMPANY 6701 W FOREST PRESERVE AVE CHICAGO, IL 60634-1470	2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 36-6914427
		2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 773-736-3417
		2d	Business code (see instructions) 311800

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	08/13/2024	JEFFREY BRYK
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	08/13/2024	JEFFREY BRYK
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor		3b Administrator's EIN
		3c Administrator's telephone number
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name		4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year		5 274
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d).		
a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year		6a(1) 247
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year		6a(2) 223
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits		6b 0
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits.....		6c 17
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c		6d 240
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.		6e 0
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e		6f 240
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item).....		6g 208
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....		6h 42
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)		7
8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions: 2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2S 2T 3D		
b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:		
9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☒ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☒ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	
10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)		
a Pension Schedules (1) ☒ R (Retirement Plan Information) (2) ☐ MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (3) ☐ SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	b General Schedules (1) ☒ H (Financial Information) (2) ☐ I (Financial Information – Small Plan) (3) ☒ 1 A (Insurance Information) (4) ☒ C (Service Provider Information) (5) ☒ D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) ☐ G (Financial Transaction Schedules)	

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2022 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2022 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE A (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Insurance Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500. ▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).	OMB No. 1210-0110 2022 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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A Name of plan THE ELI'S CHEESECAKE COMPANY 401(K) AND PROFIT SHARING PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 THE ELI'S CHEESECAKE COMPANY	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 36-6914427	

Part I	Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions	Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.
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1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
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2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.
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(a) Total amount of commissions paid	(b) Total amount of fees paid
0	0

3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
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(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
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Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

4	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end.....	4	0
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	2184041

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:**a** State the basis of premium rates ▶

b	Premiums paid to carrier	6b	
c	Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year	6c	
d	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount..... Specify nature of costs ▶	6d	

e Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity
(3) ☐ other (specify) ▶

f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶ ☐

7 Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

a Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee
(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☒ other ▶ **FLEXIBLE INVESTMENT ANNUITY**

b	Balance at the end of the previous year	7b	
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	
	(2) Dividends and credits.....	7c(2)	
	(3) Interest credited during the year.....	7c(3)	
	(4) Transferred from separate account.....	7c(4)	
	(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)	
	▶		
	(6) Total additions.....	7c(6)	
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	
e	Deductions:		
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier.....	7e(2)	
	(3) Transferred to separate account.....	7e(3)	
	(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)	
	▶		
	(5) Total deductions.....	7e(5)	
f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d)	7f	0

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- a** ☐ Health (other than dental or vision)
b ☐ Dental
c ☐ Vision
d ☐ Life insurance
e ☐ Temporary disability (accident and sickness)
f ☐ Long-term disability
g ☐ Supplemental unemployment
h ☐ Prescription drug
i ☐ Stop loss (large deductible)
j ☐ HMO contract
k ☐ PPO contract
l ☐ Indemnity contract
m ☐ Other (specify) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:

a Premiums: (1) Amount received	9a(1)		
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	9a(2)		
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve.....	9a(3)		
(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3)).....		9a(4)	
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid.....	9b(1)		
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	9b(2)		
(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2)).....		9b(3)	
(4) Claims charged		9b(4)	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)		
(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)		
(C) Other specific acquisition costs.....	9c(1)(C)		
(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)		
(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)		
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	9c(1)(F)		
(G) Other retention charges.....	9c(1)(G)		
(H) Total retention.....		9c(1)(H)	
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.)		9c(2)	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement.....		9d(1)	
(2) Claim reserves		9d(2)	
(3) Other reserves		9d(3)	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).).....		9e	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	10a	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.	10b	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A? ☐ Yes ☒ No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2022
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 THE EL'S CHEESECAKE COMPANY	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 36-6914427	

Part I	Service Provider Information (see instructions)
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You must complete this Part, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information required for **each person** who received, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of monetary value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or the person's position with the plan during the plan year. If a person received **only** eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures, you are required to answer line 1 but are not required to include that person when completing the remainder of this Part.

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

- a Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions)..... ☒ Yes ☐ No
- b If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation
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2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
13 37 50 64	CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR	21998	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	13	Yes ☐ No ☒

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

4 Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide
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(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide

Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)
(complete as many entries as needed)

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

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c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration	DFE/Participating Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2022 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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Part I	Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs) (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRINCIPAL STABLE VALUE FUND			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO			
c EIN-PN 93-6274328-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 510432	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN GOVT & HQ BOND SA-Z			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-007	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 268888	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN INTL SMALLCAP SEP ACCT-Z			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-014	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRINCIPAL U.S. PROPERTY SA-Z			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-027	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 103518	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN DIVERSIFIED INTL SA-Z			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-015	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 224622	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LGCP S&P 500 INDEX SA-Z			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-016	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN MIDCAP VALUE I SA-Z			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-043	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 35702	

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN SMCAP S&P 600 INDEX SA-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-028	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN MIDCAP S&P 400 IDX SA-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-023	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETM 2010 SEP ACCT-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-075	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2020 SEP ACCT-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-076	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 203307
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRINL LIFETIME 2030 SEP ACCT-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-077	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 427360
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2040 SEP ACCT-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-078	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 372848
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2050 SEP ACCT-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-079	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 245454
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME STRAT INC SA-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-080	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 69662
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN FIN GRP, INC. STOCK SA-R6		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-086	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 8774
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2015 SEP ACCT-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-110	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 2243

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2025 SEP ACCT-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-111	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 82
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2035 SEP ACT-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-112	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 26069
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2045 SEP ACCT-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-113	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 23462
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2055 SEP ACCT-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-114	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 30991
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN INTL EQUITY INDEX SA-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-121	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN BOND MARKET INDEX SA-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-122	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2060 SEP ACCT-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-130	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 119601
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2065 SEP ACCT-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-173	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 19298
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETM 2070 SEP ACCT-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-179	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 2159
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

Part II Information on Participating Plans (to be completed by DFEs)

(Complete as many entries as needed to report all participating plans)

a Plan name**b** Name of
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of
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plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2022 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>11/01/2022</u> and ending <u>10/31/2023</u>		
A Name of plan <u>THE ELI'S CHEESECAKE COMPANY 401(K) AND PROFIT SHARING PLAN</u>		B Three-digit plan number (PN) <u>001</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>THE ELI'S CHEESECAKE COMPANY</u>		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>36-6914427</u>

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement		
1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.			
Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash.....	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions.....	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions.....	1b(2)		
(3) Other.....	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit).....	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common.....	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants).....	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans.....	1c(8)	81204	226958
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts.....	1c(9)	504264	510432
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)	3259405	2184041
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts.....	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	1c(13)	1074415	2467632
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	4919288	5389063

Liabilities

g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0	0

Net Assets

l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	4919288	5389063
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Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

Income

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	75397	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	522357	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		597754
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	9086	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		9086
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	40422	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		40422
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		0
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		0

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		13135
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		150693
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		-34788
c Other income	2c		-315
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		775987
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	284214	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		284214
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	21998	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)		
(4) Other	2i(4)		
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4)	2i(5)		21998
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		306212
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		469775
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1) ☒ Unmodified (2) ☐ Qualified (3) ☐ Disclaimer (4) ☐ Adverse

b Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

(1) ☒ DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2) ☐ DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3) ☐ neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: COLE, MARTIN & CO., LTD.

(2) EIN: 36-3781251

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** because:

(1) ☐ This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, or MTIA. (2) ☐ It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l.

During the plan year:

a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)

	Yes	No	Amount
4a		X	

	Yes	No	Amount
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)			
4b		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)			
4c		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)			
4d		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		575000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
4f		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
4g		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
4h		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
4i	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
4j		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
4k		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
4l		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
4m		X	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			
4n			

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year _____.

5b If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)

5c Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined
If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____.

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2022 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning 11/01/2022 and ending 10/31/2023		
A Name of plan THE ELI'S CHEESECAKE COMPANY 401(K) AND PROFIT SHARING PLAN		B Three-digit plan number (PN) ► 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 THE ELI'S CHEESECAKE COMPANY		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 36-6914427
Part I	Distributions	
All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.		
1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....		1 0
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 42-0127290		
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year.....		3
Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)	
4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.		
5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.		
6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived).....		6a
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year.....		6b
c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount).....		6c
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.		
7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A		
8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A		
Part III	Amendments	
9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box..... ☐ Increase ☐ Decrease ☐ Both ☐ No		
Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.	
10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No		
11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No		
b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.)..... ☐ Yes ☐ No		
12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No		
For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.		
Schedule R (Form 5500) 2022 v. 220413		

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that (1) contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year or (2) was one of the top-ten highest contributors (measured in dollars). See instructions. *Complete as many entries as needed to report all applicable employers.*

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

14	Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:		
	a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment).....	14a	
	b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14b	
	c The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14c	
15	Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:		
	a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year.....	15a	
	b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year.....	15b	
16	Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:		
	a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year	16a	
	b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers.....	16b	
17	If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment ☐		

Part VI	Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans
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18	If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment ☐
19	If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) through (c) a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as: Stock: _____% Investment-Grade Debt: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Estate: _____% Other: _____% b Provide the average duration of the combined investment-grade and high-yield debt: ☐ 0-3 years ☐ 3-6 years ☐ 6-9 years ☐ 9-12 years ☐ 12-15 years ☐ 15-18 years ☐ 18-21 years ☐ 21 years or more c What duration measure was used to calculate line 19(b)? ☐ Effective duration ☐ Macaulay duration ☐ Modified duration ☐ Other (specify): _____
20	PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements. If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20. a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? ☐ Yes ☐ No b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box: ☐ Yes. ☐ No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date. ☐ No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date. ☐ No. Other. Provide explanation _____

THE ELI'S CHEESECAKE COMPANY 401(k)
AND PROFIT SHARING PLAN

Financial Statements and
Independent Auditors' Report

October 31, 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Trustees of

The Eli's Cheesecake Company 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of The Eli's Cheesecake Company 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of October 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended October 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of The Eli's Cheesecake Company 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of October 31, 2023 and 2022 and for the year ended October 31, 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note F to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section—

- the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements referred to above, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- the information in the financial statements referred to above related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of The Eli's Cheesecake Company 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Management's election of the ERISA Section

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103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about The Eli's Cheesecake Company 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments; administering the plan; and determining that the plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of The Eli's Cheesecake Company 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about The Eli's Cheesecake Company 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

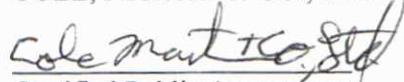
The supplemental schedule, Schedule H, Line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) for the year ended October 31, 2023, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion—

- the form and content of the supplemental schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- the information in the supplemental schedule related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

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Certified Public Accountants

Buffalo Grove, Illinois

August 1, 2024

The Eli's Cheesecake Company 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
October 31, 2023 and 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
ASSETS		
Investments, at fair value	<u>\$ 5,162,103</u>	<u>\$ 4,838,066</u>
Receivables		
Notes receivable from participants	<u>226,531</u>	<u>83,956</u>
Net Assets Available for Benefits	<u><u>\$ 5,388,634</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,922,022</u></u>

See accompanying notes.

The Eli's Cheesecake Company 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
Year Ended October 31, 2023

Additions to net assets attributed to:

Investment Income

Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 85,290
Dividends and capital gain distributions	84,568
	<u>169,858</u>

Interest on participant loans	<u>8,954</u>
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Contributions

Participant	522,357
Employer	75,397
	<u>597,754</u>

Total Additions	<u>776,566</u>
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Deductions from net assets attributable to:

Distributions to participants	\$ 287,942
Administrative expenses	22,012

Total Deductions	<u>309,954</u>
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Net Increase	466,612
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Net assets available for benefits, beginning of year	<u>4,922,022</u>
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Net assets available for benefits, end of year	<u><u>\$ 5,388,634</u></u>
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See accompanying notes.

The Eli's Cheesecake Company 401 (k) and Profit Sharing Plan
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
October 31, 2023 and 2022

NOTE A – DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of The Eli's Cheesecake Company 401 (k) and Profit Sharing Plan ("the Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions:

1. General

The Plan was effective November 1, 1988, amended and restated most recently effective February 17, 2022, and is a defined contribution plan covering all employees of The Eli's Cheesecake Company (the "Company") who have completed 90 days of service. Such employees are eligible to participate in the Plan as of the first of the month following the completion of 90 days of service. It is subject to the provisions of the Employees Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The board of Trustees oversees governance of the Plan. The Plan's Investment Committee determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings, monitors investment performance, and reports to the Plan's Board of Trustees.

2. Contributions

Contributions include employee contributions that range from 1 to 100 percent of pretax annual compensation, and an employer matching contribution of 25% of the first 4% of the employee's compensation. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified plans. Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Plan currently offers various mutual funds, pooled separate accounts and a stable value collective investment trust as investment options for participants. The Plan includes an auto-enrollment provision whereby all newly eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Plan, unless they affirmatively elect not to participate, with a default rate set at 4% of eligible compensation. Contributions are automatically invested in a designated fund until changed by the participant. Contributions are subject to certain statutory limitations. The Company may also make a discretionary contribution to the Plan. No discretionary contributions were made for the years ended October 31, 2023 and 2022.

3. Participants' Accounts

Participants' accounts are credited with their contributions, the employer matching contribution, an allocation of the Company discretionary contribution, if any, and Plan earnings (losses) and charged with an allocation of any administrative expenses paid by the Plan. The Company's discretionary contribution is allocated based upon each participant's compensation, as defined by the Plan. Plan earnings (losses) are allocated based on participants' account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

4. Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions, and earnings thereon. A participant is 100 percent vested in the Company's matching and discretionary contribution portions of their account after four (4) years of credited service. A participant becomes fully vested upon death or disability.

5. Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50 percent of their account balance. Loan terms range from one to five years. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at rates ranging from 4.25% to 9.50%, which are commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined by the plan administrator. Principal and interest is paid ratably through payroll deductions.

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NOTE A – DESCRIPTION OF PLAN - CONTINUED

In response to COVID-19 and as permitted by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"), qualified participants were allowed a one-year extension of loan repayments and the maximum participant loan amount was temporarily increased up to \$100,000 or 100% of their vested account for withdrawals before December 31, 2020.

6. Payment of Benefits

Upon termination of service, a participant may elect to receive either a lump sum or periodic payments, or to leave the funds in the plan trust until a later date. If an active employee dies or becomes totally disabled, the value of the participant's account will be paid in either a lump sum or periodic installments at the option of/ the participant or beneficiary. In addition, vested accounts for terminated participants will be automatically distributed to the participant if the vested balance is \$5,000 or less

7. Forfeitures

Forfeitures of terminated participants' non-vested account balances may be used to pay plan expenses, reduce future employer contributions or reallocated to participants in the same manner as employer discretionary contributions. During the years ended October 31, 2023 and 2022 no forfeitures were used to pay plan expenses and \$6,260 and \$2,315, respectively, of forfeitures were used to reduce employer matching contributions. As of October 31, 2023 and 2022, there were no unallocated forfeiture balances.

8. Certification

The Plan custodian is Principal Life Insurance Company (Principal). The Plan custodian has certified to the accuracy of the investment transactions, recognition of income, expenses, and assets held as of October 31, 2023.

NOTE B – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting, except for benefit payments, which are recorded when paid.

2. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") requires the plan administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

3. Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The plan's investments are reported at fair value, except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, which are reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for that portion of the net assets available for benefits of a defined contribution plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants normally would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the plan.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The trustees determine

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NOTE B – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisors and custodians. See Note E for discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of investments are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest and dividend income is recorded on the accrual basis. Net appreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

4. Date of Management's Review of Subsequent Events

Subsequent events were evaluated through August 1, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

5. Notes Receivable from Participants

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are charged directly to the borrowing participant's account and are included in fees when incurred. As of October 31, 2023 and 2022, no allowance for loan losses has been recorded. If a participant does not make loan repayments and the plan administrator considers the participant loan to be in default, the loan balance is reduced, and the delinquent participant note receivable is recorded as a benefit payment based on the terms of the Plan document. There were no amounts due from related parties included in notes receivable from participants at October 31, 2023 and 2022.

6. Administrative Expenses

Certain expenses are absorbed by the Plan Sponsor, including audit and filing fees, and are excluded from these financial statements. Custodial and transaction fees are paid out of the Plan's assets and included in administrative expenses.

NOTE C – RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investments securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

NOTE D – COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT TRUST (CIT) – PRINCIPAL STABLE VALUE Z FUND

The Plan includes a CIT as an investment option for its participants. The Principal Stable Value Z Fund (the Fund) is a CIT for collective investment in contracts issued by insurance companies or other institutions (collectively referred to as Stable Assets) that are designed for stability of principal. The Fund primarily invests in Conventional Guaranteed Investment Contracts (GICs) issued by insurance companies and synthetic contracts or wrap contracts issued by insurance companies or banks. GICs issued by insurance companies are primarily nonparticipating, wherein the contract holder does not participate in any gains and losses incurred due to performance of the underlying portfolio relative to the book value at times of withdrawals. Conversely, synthetic investment contracts or wrap contracts issued by insurance companies or

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NOTE D – COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT TRUST (CIT) – PRINCIPAL STABLE VALUE Z FUND - CONTINUED

banks, are primarily participating, wherein the contract holder participates in gains and losses incurred due to the performance of the underlying portfolio relative to book value at times of withdrawals. Gains and losses are amortized through future credit rate resets. Participating structures are the most common structure utilized in the Fund. GICs are typically issued with a fixed credit rate and a fixed maturity date that does not change over the life of the contract. Credit rates on wrap contracts typically reset on a monthly or quarterly basis as negotiated with the wrap issuer and wrap contracts do not have a final stated maturity date. The wrap contracts in the Fund are predominately reset on a monthly basis with a one month look back for the portfolio statistics. The wrap contract issuer guarantees a minimum 0% crediting rate; however, a wrap does not absorb any loss for credit defaults in an underlying portfolio.

Contract value is the relevant measurement attribute for the Fund. In determining contract value, the fund manager considers such factors as the benefit responsiveness of the contracts, the ability of the parties to the contracts to perform in accordance with the terms of the contracts and the likelihood of default by the issuer of an investment security. Contract value represents contributions made under the fund plus earnings minus participant withdrawals and administrative expenses.

The Principal Stable Value Z Fund is wholly invested in the Morley Stable Value Fund. With this structure, there is no look-through to the underlying holdings of the Morley Stable Value Fund for fund reporting and thus, fair value is to be determined using net asset value (NAV) at the fund level. Based on the Director of Labor (DOL) guidance that a plan's filing should follow the fund's reporting method, there was no adjustment necessary from contract value to fair value for the Principal Stable Value Z Fund for the plan years ended October 31, 2023 and 2022.

NOTE E – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The fair value measurement accounting literature establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. This hierarchy consists of three broad levels: Level 1 inputs consist of unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and have the highest priority. Level 2 inputs consist of observable inputs other than quoted prices for identical assets (Level 1). Level 3 inputs are unobservable and have the lowest priority. The Plan uses appropriate valuation techniques based on the available inputs to measure the fair value of its investments. When available, the Plan measures fair value using Level 1 inputs because they generally provide the most reliable evidence of fair value. Level 2 inputs are used for investments for which Level 1 inputs were not available. Level 3 inputs would only be used if Level 1 or Level 2 inputs were not available. There are no plan assets requiring the use of Level 2 or Level 3 inputs for the periods presented.

Level 1 Fair Value Measurements

1. *Mutual funds.* Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.
2. *Pooled separate accounts.* Invests primarily in mutual funds and/or stocks whose values are determinable and published, and are the basis for current transactions in a manner that is similar to that of a mutual fund. Thus, the pooled separate accounts held by the Plan do have a readily determinable fair value—the net asset value is available to current investors and is the basis for

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NOTE E – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS - CONTINUED

current transactions.

3. *Principal Stable Value Z Fund.* Invests wholly in Morley Stable Value Fund and fair value is determined using NAV at the fund level. Although the NAV of this CIT is not publicly quoted, it is available to current investors via the Employer website or when plan participants access their account values. The NAV is the basis for current transactions and the CIT can be redeemed at NAV as of the measurement date. Thus, management believes that this investment has a readily determinable fair value. The NAV is calculated in a manner consistent with GAAP for investment companies. Because it is valued similarly to mutual funds, management believes this CIT should be considered a level 1 asset to allow for consistent disclosure.

The following tables set forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments at fair value as of October 31, 2023 and 2022:

	Fair Value	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)
October 31, 2023		
Pooled Separate Accounts	2,184,041	2,184,041
Mutual Funds	2,467,631	2,467,631
Principal Stable Value Fund	510,431	510,431
	<u>\$ 5,162,103</u>	<u>\$ 5,162,103</u>
October 31, 2022		
Pooled Separate Accounts	3,259,395	3,259,395
Mutual Funds	1,074,408	1,074,408
Principal Stable Value Fund	504,263	504,263
	<u>\$ 4,838,066</u>	<u>\$ 4,838,066</u>

NOTE F – INFORMATION PREPARED AND CERTIFIED BY CUSTODIAN

The Plan administrator elected the method of compliance as permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, as permitted under such election, the Plan administrator limited auditing procedures with respect to the investment information certified by the Custodian, which included total investments and notes receivables from participants as of October 31, 2023 and 2022, the total investment income for the year ended October 31, 2023, and all information included in the supplemental schedule H, line 4i—schedule of assets (held at end of year).

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NOTE G– RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of the net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500 as of October 31, 2023 and 2022:

	October 31, 2023	October 31, 2022
<u>Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits</u>		
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 5,388,634	\$ 4,922,022
Deemed distributed participant loan	-	(3,728)
Other	429	994
Net assets available for benefits per Form 5500	<u>\$ 5,389,063</u>	<u>\$ 4,919,288</u>

The following is a reconciliation of the Plan's net increase in net assets available for benefits reported per the financial statements to net income per Form 5500 for the year ended October 31, 2023:

	October 31, 2023
<u>Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits</u>	
Net increase in assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 466,612
Deemed distributed participant loan	3,728
Other	(565)
Net income per Form 5500	<u>\$ 469,775</u>

The reconciling items noted above are due to the method of accounting used in preparing the Form 5500 as compared to the Plan's financial statements.

NOTE H – PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants would become 100% vested in their employer contributions.

NOTE I – FEDERAL INCOME TAX STATUS

The Plan Sponsor has received, from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), an opinion letter dated June 30, 2020, stating that the written form of the underlying prototype plan is qualified under Section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") and, therefore, the related trust is exempt from taxation. The Plan is required to operate in conformity with the Code to maintain its qualification. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter, the Company and the Plan administrator believe that the Plan is currently designed and operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and the Plan and related trust continue to be tax-exempt. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan's financial statements.

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NOTE I – FEDERAL INCOME TAX STATUS - CONTINUED

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States require plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability or asset for any uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the applicable taxing authorities. The plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions that would require recognition of a liability or asset or disclosure in the financial statements and has determined that there are no unrecognized tax benefits at October 31, 2023 and 2022. The Plan has recognized no interest or penalties related to uncertain tax positions. The Plan may be subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

NOTE J – RELATED-PARTY/ PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Certain plan investments are mutual fund accounts and pooled separate accounts managed by Principal Life Insurance Company ("Principal"). Principal is the custodian of the Plan and, therefore, these transactions are party-in-interest transactions; however, are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA. Fees paid by the Plan for contract administrator services during the years ended October 31, 2023 and 2022 amounted to \$22,012 and \$3,135, respectively.

NOTE K – COVID RESPONSE

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization characterized an outbreak of a novel strain of coronavirus (COVID-19) as a pandemic. Due to the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States, as of March 27, 2020, Congress passed the CARES Act that included numerous employee benefit plan provisions to assist plan sponsors and participants. On April 8, 2020, the Plan Sponsor signed a letter of intent to amend the Plan for features impacting retirement programs. This included COVID-19 related distributions, COVID-19 related participant loans and required minimum distributions (RMD's) affecting participants impacted by COVID-19. The Plan Sponsor, together with Principal, the custodian of the Plan, is still in the process of amending the Plan for these provisions. The amendments for these provisions are required to be adopted by the Plan by December 31, 2025.

NOTE L – SECURE ACT 2.0

On December 23, 2022, Congress passed the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023, which included SECURE Act 2.0. SECURE Act 2.0 contains over 90 new retirement provisions, with varying effective dates through 2027. Since SECURE Act 2.0 provisions include both required and optional elements, the plan administrator will determine the optional provisions to elect and amend the Plan document accordingly. Most of the significant provisions will become effective in 2024 and thereafter. Accordingly, there is no material impact to the Plan's October 31, 2023 financial statements.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

The Eli's Cheesecake Company 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan

SCHEDULE H, line 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

EIN 36 6914427
PLAN NUMBER 001
PLAN YEAR 11/01/2022 TO 10/31/2023

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	Delaware Investments	Registered Investment Company DELAWARE SMALL CAP VALUE R6 FD	\$ 0.00	\$ 26,606.56
	Dimensional Fund Advisors	Registered Investment Company DFA INT'L SMALL COMPANY I FD	\$ 0.00	\$ 98,718.83
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	Fidelity Investments	Registered Investment Company FIDELITY 500 INDEX FUND	\$ 0.00	\$ 810,234.85
	Janus International Holding, LLC	Registered Investment Company JANUSHENDERSON ENTRPRS N	\$ 0.00	\$ 307,531.43
	JP Morgan Funds	Registered Investment Company JP MORGAN CORE BOND R6 FUND	\$ 0.00	\$ 325,613.85
*	Principal Life Insurance Company	Pooled Separate Accounts Prin Diversified Intl SA-Z	\$ 0.00	\$ 224,621.74
*	Principal Life Insurance Company	Pooled Separate Accounts Prin Fin Grp, Inc. Stock SA-R6	\$ 0.00	\$ 8,774.24
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*	Principal Life Insurance Company	Pooled Separate Accounts Prinl LifeTime 2030 Sep Acct-Z	\$ 0.00	\$ 427,360.46
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*	Principal Life Insurance Company	Pooled Separate Accounts PRIN LIFETIME 2045 SEP ACCT-Z	\$ 0.00	\$ 23,462.28
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*	Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Common/Collective Trust PRINCIPAL STABLE VALUE Z FUND	\$ 0.00	\$ 510,432.00
*	Participant Loans	Range of Interest Rates Rates Range From 4.25% To 9.50%	\$ 0.00	\$ 226,958.00

