

<p style="text-align: center;">Form 5500</p> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">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).</p> <p style="text-align: center;">▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</p>	<p style="font-size: x-small;">OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: large; font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">2024</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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Part I Annual Report Identification Information
 For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

A This return/report is for: a multiemployer plan a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide 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

<p>1a Name of plan <u>M CULINARY CONCEPTS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN</u></p>	<p>1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>002</u></p>
<p>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) <u>M CULINARY CONCEPTS, INC.</u></p> <p><u>20634 N. 28TH STREET</u> <u>PHOENIX, AZ 85050</u></p>	<p>1c Effective date of plan <u>01/01/2024</u></p> <p>2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>86-0954922</u></p> <p>2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>480-351-2290</u></p> <p>2d Business code (see instructions) <u>722300</u></p>

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.	03/13/2026	PETER J CORPSTEIN JR
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	580
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 a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6a(1)	580
	6a(2)	349
	6b	0
	6c	0
	6d	349
	6e	0
	6f	349
	6g(1)	0
6g(2)	126	
6h	0	
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:
2I 2P 2Q 3I

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)	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)
(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance	(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust	(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> 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
- (4) **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____
- (5) **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

b General Schedules

- (1) **H** (Financial Information)
- (2) **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- (3) **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 0
- (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 2024 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2024 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 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

2024

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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

A Name of plan M CULINARY CONCEPTS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN		B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 M CULINARY CONCEPTS, INC.		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 86-0954922	

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 0	89
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)	
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)	
(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)	
(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)	0	3519000
(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	0	3519089
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable.....	1g		
h Operating payables.....	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i	0	16449350
j Other liabilities.....	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	1k	0	16449350
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	1l	0	-12930261

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)	1048489	
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)		
(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)		1048489
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)		
(F) Other.....	2b(1)(F)	89	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		89
(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)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		0
(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)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:			
(A) Real estate.....	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other.....	2b(5)(B)	-13250862	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

	(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)	
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)	
(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)	
c Other income	2c	
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d	-12202284

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:		
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	
(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)	0
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f	
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g	
h Interest expense.....	2h	727977
i Administrative expenses:		
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)	
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)	
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)	
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)	
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)	
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)	
(11) Other expenses.....	2i(11)	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)	0
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j	727977

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d.....	2k	-12930261
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: CBIZ CPAS P. C.

(2) EIN: 43-1947695

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** as part of Schedule H because:

(1) This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, DCG 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. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions).

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
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.)		X	
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.)		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.)		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.)		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		250000
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	
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	
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	
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		
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		
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	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		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.			

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) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	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.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

A Name of plan <u>M CULINARY CONCEPTS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>002</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>M CULINARY CONCEPTS, INC.</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>86-0954922</u>	

Part I	Distributions
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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
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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): _____

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	
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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.)
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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
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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.
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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

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).)

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(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: <input type="checkbox"/> last contributing employer <input type="checkbox"/> alternative <input type="checkbox"/> reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment).....	14a	
b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. <input type="checkbox"/> 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. <input type="checkbox"/> 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

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) and (b):

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:
 Public Equity: _____% Private Equity: _____% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____%
 High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Assets: _____% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____% Other: _____%

b Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets:
 0-5 years 5-10 years 10-15 years 15 years or more

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: _____

Part VII IRS Compliance Questions

21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? Yes No

21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).
 Design-based safe harbor method
 "Prior year" ADP test
 "Current year" ADP test
 N/A

22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter ___/___/____ (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number _____.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Governance and Management of
M Culinary Concepts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

We have audited the financial statements of **M Culinary Concepts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan** ("the Plan"), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), which comprise the statements of net assets (deficit) available for benefits as of December 31, 2024, the related statement of changes in net assets (deficit) available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2024, and the changes in its net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the 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.

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 Plan's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are issued or 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.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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 auditors' 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 GAAS 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 these financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, 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 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 Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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.

Other Matter - Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental schedules of assets (held at end of year) and reportable transactions as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are 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 has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits 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 GAAS.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, including their form and content, are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion, the information in the accompanying schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole, and the form and content are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

CBIZ CPAs P.C.

Phoenix, Arizona
February 24, 2026

**M CULINARY CONCEPTS, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN**

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS (DEFICIT) AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

December 31, 2024

	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
ASSETS			
Cash, non-interest bearing	\$ 89	\$ -	\$ 89
Investment in sponsor company common stock	101,220	3,417,780	3,519,000
TOTAL ASSETS	101,309	3,417,780	3,519,089
LIABILITIES			
Loan payable	-	16,449,350	16,449,350
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	16,449,350	16,449,350
NET ASSETS (DEFICIT) AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$ 101,309	\$ (13,031,570)	\$ (12,930,261)

See Notes to Financial Statements

**M CULINARY CONCEPTS, INC.
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS (DEFICIT) AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

Year Ended December 31, 2024

	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Unallocated</u>	<u>Total</u>
ADDITIONS			
Employer contributions	\$ -	\$ 1,048,489	\$ 1,048,489
Interest	89	-	89
Allocation of shares of sponsor company common stock	<u>101,220</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>101,220</u>
TOTAL ADDITIONS	<u>101,309</u>	<u>1,048,489</u>	<u>1,149,798</u>
DEDUCTIONS			
Depreciation of sponsor company stock	-	13,250,862	13,250,862
Interest Expense	-	727,977	727,977
Allocation of shares of sponsor company stock	<u>-</u>	<u>101,220</u>	<u>101,220</u>
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	<u>-</u>	<u>14,080,059</u>	<u>14,080,059</u>
NET DECREASE	101,309	(13,031,570)	(12,930,261)
NET ASSETS (DEFICIT) AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
NET ASSETS (DEFICIT) AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 101,309</u>	<u>\$ (13,031,570)</u>	<u>\$ (12,930,261)</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements

**M CULINARY CONCEPTS, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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(1) Description of the Plan

The following description of the *M Culinary Concepts, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan* (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

A. General – M Culinary Concepts, Inc. (the Company) established the Plan effective January 1, 2024. The Plan operates as a leveraged employee stock ownership plan (ESOP) designed to comply with section 4975(e)(7) and the regulations thereunder of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (IRC), as amended, and is subject to the applicable provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The Plan is administered by a Committee and an independent directed Trustee, appointed by the Company's Board of Directors, and a third-party administrator.

The Plan purchased Company common stock from various stockholders by issuing a loan payable and holds the common stock in a trust established under the Plan (see Note 5). The financial statements of the Plan as of December 31, 2024, and for the year ended December 31, 2024, present separately the assets and liabilities and changes therein pertaining to:

- The accounts of participants with vested rights in allocated common stock (allocated)
- Common stock not yet allocated to participants (unallocated)

Employees of the Company who are at least 21 years of age and have completed one year of service are generally eligible to participate in the Plan. For purposes of eligibility, a year of service is defined as the completion of 1,000 hours of service in a period of twelve consecutive months. Eligible employees enter the Plan on the first day of the following quarter after eligibility requirements are satisfied.

B. Contributions - The Company makes annual discretionary contributions in an amount equal to or greater than the amount necessary to enable the Plan to make its regularly scheduled debt repayments. Company contributions made for regularly scheduled debt payments during the Plan year are allocated the subsequent fiscal year pro-rata based upon current Plan year compensation to participants who became disabled or died during the Plan year or are employed on the last day of the Plan year and have completed 1,000 hours of service during the Plan year. Contributions made in excess of regularly scheduled debt payments are to fund Plan operations and are allocated to participant accounts during the year pro-rata based upon current Plan year compensation. For 2024, the Company authorized contributions totaling \$1,048,489 which was used for debt service.

C. Dividends - The declaration of dividends by the Company or other distributions made by the Company on shares owned by the Plan is discretionary. For allocated shares, dividends on Company stock are allocated based on the number of shares held by each participant's account. For unallocated shares, dividends are used for debt service to release additional shares that are allocated pro-rata based upon current year compensation.

D. Loans - The Plan does not permit loans to participants or beneficiaries.

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(1) Description of the Plan (continued)

- E. Participant accounts** - Each participant's account is credited as of the last day of each Plan year with an allocation of shares of the Company's common stock released by the Trustee from the unallocated account and forfeitures of terminated participants' nonvested accounts. During 2024, there were 0 shares of forfeited common stock were reallocated to Plan participants. Allocations of Plan earnings are based on participant account balances as defined in the Plan document. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.
- F. Vesting** - Participants vest 100% in the Company's contributions, plus earnings thereon, upon the earlier of (i) reaching age 65, death, or disability, as defined by the Plan document, or (ii) based on years of credited service as follows:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Percent Vested</u>
Less than 2	0%
2 years but less than 3	20%
3 years but less than 4	40%
4 years but less than 5	60%
5 years but less than 6	80%
6 years or more	100%

- G. Payment of benefits** - On termination of service due to death, disability or retirement, as defined by the Plan, a participant may elect to receive a distribution, as soon as administratively feasible, equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account. On termination of service due to reasons other than death, disability, or retirement, vested interest will be received by the participant as a lump distribution as soon as administratively feasible after employment is terminated. Generally, if the vested account balance exceeds \$7,000, the distribution will be in substantially equal annual payments over a period of:

- Five years; or
- If the vested balance is greater than \$1,330,000, then five years plus one additional year for each \$265,000 or fraction thereof in excess of \$1,330,000 (but not more than four additional years). These dollar amounts may be raised periodically in accordance with the IRC.

- H. Termination of the Plan** - Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company reserves the right to terminate the Plan at any time, subject to the Plan's provisions. In the event of Plan termination, participants will become 100% vested in their account balances. Upon termination of the Plan, the Committee will direct the Trustee to pay all liabilities and expenses of the trust and to sell shares of financed common stock held in the loan suspense account to the extent it determines such sale to be necessary in order to repay the loan.

- I. Put option** - Under federal income tax regulations, employer stock that is held by a Plan and its participants and is not readily tradable on an established market, or is subject to trading limitations, includes a put option. The put option is a right to demand that the Company buys any shares of its stock distributed to participants for which there is no market. The put price is representative of the fair market value of the stock. The Company can pay for the purchase over a period of five years, with the first installment paid no later than 30 days after a participant exercises the put option. The purpose of the put option is to ensure that the participant has the ability to ultimately obtain cash.

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(1) Description of the Plan (continued)

- J. Diversification** - Diversification is offered to participants close to retirement so that they may have the opportunity to move part of the value of their investment in the Company common stock into investments that are more diversified. Participants who are at least age 55 with at least 10 years of participation in the Plan may elect to diversify a portion of their account. Diversification is offered to each eligible participant over a six-year period. In each of the first five years, a participant may diversify up to 25% of the number of shares allocated to his or her account, less any shares previously diversified. In the sixth year, the percentage changes to 50%. Participants who elect to diversify receive cash for a stock distribution that is repurchased by the Company for cash. The election to diversify is made subsequent to year-end based upon the shares of Company common stock in the participant's account at year end.
- K. Voting rights** - Shares of the Company common stock held as part of the Plan's assets are voted by the Trustee, as directed by the Committee. Each participant will be entitled to direct the voting shares of common stock allocated to his or her account with respect to any corporate matter that is specified in the IRC under Section 409(e)(3).

(2) Summary of significant accounting policies

The significant accounting policies followed by the Plan are as follows:

Basis of accounting - The accompanying financial statements are prepared on the accrual method of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). Accordingly, income and contributions are recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when incurred.

Management's use of estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

Investment valuation and income recognition - Shares of Company common stock are reported at fair market value, which approximates fair value and is determined by an annual independent appraisal. Purchases and sales of investments are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net depreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the Plan year.

Payment of benefits - Benefits paid to participants are recorded in the period in which they are paid.

Administrative expenses - As provided in the Plan agreement, administrative expenses may be paid either by the Plan or by the Company.

Subsequent events - The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through February 24, 2026, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

(3) Fair value measurement

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board's ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 820, *Fair Value Measurement* ("ASC 820"). ASC 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements).

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(3) Fair value measurement (continued)

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under ASC 820 are described below:

Level 1: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 2: Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.

Level 3: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset's or liability's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments at fair value as of December 31, 2024:

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Investment in Company common stock	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,519,000	\$ 3,519,000
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,519,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,519,000</u>

The following table provides a summary of the changes in fair value of the Plan's Level 3 investment in the Company common stock for the year ended December 31, 2024:

Balance at beginning of year	\$ -
Purchase of shares January 12, 2024	16,769,861
Net depreciation	<u>(13,250,861)</u>
Balance at end of year	<u>\$ 3,519,000</u>

The Plan's level 3 investments have been determined based on an appraisal by an independent third party valuation specialist. The Company common stock held by the Plan was valued on a non-marketable, non-controlling interest basis. Valuation of the Company common stock was determined by applying various valuation techniques including discounted cash flow and guideline public company method. Various assumptions were incorporated into each of these methods in arriving at an overall fair value that was determined using a weighted average. There were no purchases, sales, or transfers in or out of level 3 investments for the years ended December 2024.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain assets could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

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(4) Income tax status

The Plan received a favorable determination letter dated February 27, 2025, from the Internal Revenue Service stating that the Plan is qualified, and the trust established under the Plan is tax-exempt, under the appropriate sections of the IRC. The Company and the Plan Administrator believe that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

(5) Loan payable

In 2024, the Plan entered into loan agreements with key employee stockholders (Seller Loan) totaling \$8,469,861 and one with the Company (ESOP Loan) totaling \$8,300,000. The proceeds of the loans were used to purchase Company common stock.

The ESOP Loan bears interest at 4.54% and matures on December 31, 2063, at which time all principal and interest is due. Unallocated shares are collateral for the ESOP Loan. The lender has no rights against shares once they are allocated under the ESOP. Shares are released from collateral and allocated to participants as payments of principal and interest are made on the ESOP Loan. The number of shares released during a Plan year is the number of shares held as collateral, times the ratio of the current-year payments of principal and interest, divided by the total of this Plan year's payments, plus all future years' principal and interest payments. This resulted in 8,629 shares being released and allocated to participants for the year ended December 31, 2024.

The scheduled amortization of the loan for the next five years and thereafter is as follows:

<u>Years ending December 31,</u>	
2025	\$ 160,970
2026	168,278
2027	175,918
2028	181,921
2029	192,164
Thereafter	<u>15,570,099</u>
	<u>\$ 16,449,350</u>

(6) Risks and uncertainties

The Plan's investments are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market and credit risks, as well as valuation assumptions based on earnings, cash flows and/or other such techniques. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investments and to uncertainties inherent in the estimates and assumptions process, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in risks in the near term could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of net assets (deficit) available for benefits and the statement of changes in net assets (deficit) available for benefits.

(7) Parties-in-interest

All of the Plan's investments are shares of the Company's common stock, which qualifies as party-in-interest transactions. In addition, during the year ended December 31, 2024, the Plan made payments towards the loan payable described in Note 5. As the loan payable is between the Plan and the Company, the repayments qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

**M CULINARY CONCEPTS, INC.
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EIN: #86-0954922

Plan #002

SCHEDULE H, LINE 4(j) - SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS

Year Ended December 31, 2024

(a) Identity of Party Involved	(b) Description of Asset	(c) Purchase Price	(d) Selling Price	(g) Cost of Asset	(h) Current Value of Asset on Transaction Date	(i) Net Gain (Loss)
Single transaction by issue in excess of 5% of net assets available for benefits:						
M CULINARY CONCEPTS, Inc.*	Purchase of 300,000 shares of common stock	\$ 16,769,861	\$ -	\$ 16,769,861	\$ 16,769,861	\$ -

* Indicates a party-in-interest

**M CULINARY CONCEPTS, INC.
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EIN: #86-0954922
Plan #002

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

December 31, 2024

<u>(a)</u>	<u>(b) Identity of Issue</u>	<u>(c) Description of Investment</u>	<u>(d) Cost</u>	<u>(e) Current value</u>
Employer securities				
*	M Culinary Concepts, Inc. Common Stock	300,000 shares of common stock - \$55.90 (cost per share) and \$11.73 (current value per share)	\$ 16,769,861	\$ 3,519,000
TOTAL ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)			<u>\$ 16,769,861</u>	<u>\$ 3,519,000</u>

* Indicates a party-in-interest