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Tyson Foods Honors Bob and Bill Boyer as Hunger All-Stars
West Ohio Food Bank receives 15 tons of protein in celebration of the Boyers' commitment to ending hunger in their community

LIMA, Ohio, June 17, 2008 – Bob and Bill Boyer dedicate themselves each week to helping the hungry in Lima. Today Tyson Foods, Inc. (NYSE:TSN) recognized the difference that Bob and Bill's volunteer work has made in the lives of families in Ohio and selected the Boyers as the next "Hunger All-Stars," an honor that comes with a donation of more than 15 tons of protein to the West Ohio Food Bank.

The Boyer's volunteerism is an excellent example of the "Hunger All-Star" program's belief that one person, and one family, can make a difference in the fight against hunger. Bob celebrated his 80th birthday this year, and three days each week brings his son Bill to the food bank to volunteer. Bill is wheelchair bound and Bob helps his son navigate from the car to the volunteer assignment for the day.

No need at the food bank is overlooked by Bob and Bill. The Boyers donate more than 20 hours of volunteer service to the West Ohio Food Bank each week sorting food donations, checking expiration dates, weighing boxes, and repackaging bulk foods into user-friendly sized packs. The Boyers work aids in the distribution of food boxes to more than 1030 seniors each month.

The Boyers take a community-wide leadership role in building the resources the food bank needs to serve more of the hungry in Lima. The Boyers chair the Shawnee United Methodist Church annual "Harvest for the Hungry" campaign to raise money and awareness for the food bank. Their generosity doesn't stop with volunteering their time. The Boyers have also given financial support to the food bank. Bob noticed the excess cardboard at the food bank and graciously stepped forward to donate the needed equipment and installation. The gift from the Boyer family enabled the food bank to not only purchase the cardboard bailer, but also cut the trash removal cost for the facility.

"Bob and Bill Boyer are an inspiration," said Ed Nicholson, director of community relations for Tyson Foods. "If each local community had volunteers who gave a fraction of what the Boyer's have for our nation's hungry, I believe we could win in the fight against hunger in this country. We're proud to honor the Boyers as our next 'Hunger All-Stars' and pleased to offer this donation

of much-needed protein for the hungry in the Lima community.” The Boyers were nominated through Tyson Foods’ hunger relief online site <http://hungerrelief.tyson.com/>. Each month, winners are selected from nominations submitted through the web site. The site has steadily become a place where visitors can read and learn the compelling stories of people’s commitment in the fight against hunger.

“Protein is an important part of a nutritious meal and many of the families that we see do not get regular protein in their diet. This donation of protein will make a significant difference to the people we serve,” said Bambi Markham, Executive Director of the WOFB. “Bill and Bob are special to our organization and we are honored to accept Tyson’s generous donation in their name.”

West Ohio Food Bank is the largest food distribution system in West Ohio, accepting, storing, and providing truckloads of donated food to 145 other non-profit programs that directly feed people that find themselves in temporary need of food assistance. The food bank distributes more than 3.8 million pounds of food, the equivalent to 12 supermarkets, each year.

The protein given by Tyson today brings the company’s total in-kind donations since 2000 to well above 50 million pounds. Eight years ago, Tyson Foods began its fight to end hunger. The 50 million pound milestone equates to more than 200 million meals donated to food banks and agencies serving local communities around the country. For more information on how to get involved in the fight against hunger, go to www.tyson.com or hungerrelief.tyson.com.

The **West Ohio Food Bank** is a nonprofit service organization dedicated to alleviating hunger in the West Ohio area by uniting the public and private sectors in raising awareness of hunger needs. They serve pantries, shelters and soup kitchens in an eleven county area, including Allen, Auglaize, Hancock, Hardin, Mercer, Paulding, Putnam, Seneca, Shelby, Van Wert and Wyandot Counties. As an affiliate of America’s Second Harvest – The Nation’s Food Bank, their primary commitment is to find, rescue and distribute food to hungry people through an efficient network of charities. For more information visit their web site at www.westohiofoodbank.org.

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