Date: April 19, 2021

From: John Harrell, Chairman, Pennsylvania Soybean Board

RE: Nominations to the Pennsylvania Soybean Board of Directors and United Soybean Board

The Pennsylvania Soybean Board is currently accepting nominations of individuals who would be willing to serve on the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Board and/or the United Soybean Board.

The 11 volunteer members of the Pennsylvania Soybean Board (PSB) are responsible for the collection and administration of the soybean checkoff program within the State. The authority given to PSB under the Federal Act and Order are specific to soybean education, promotion, communication and research. PSB is not affiliated with lobbying of any manner.

Specific expectations and duties associated with serving as a director are outlined on the attached flyer but include:

1. Annually, must raise soybeans in Pennsylvania to be eligible to serve on the board.
2. The Board typically meets three (3) times per year or at the will of the Chairman. Meetings are held in early February, August and December.
3. The Board does convene via conference call on an as needed basis.
4. The Board strives for diversification of members including but not limited to: geographic; size & type of operation; leadership experience; age; gender; race; education and industry background.
5. The initial term of a board member shall be three (3) years and each member is eligible to serve three (3) consecutive terms thereby serving a total of nine (9) years on the board assuming the member sought reappointment at the pleasure of the board. A board member who served nine (9) years may seek reappointment to the board after being off the board for one (1) year.
6. Board members are eligible for reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses incurred for attending soybean board meetings and/or soybean events/activities.

If you or an individual you know is interested in being considered to serve on the Board, please use the attached form and submit all nominations to Jennifer Reed-Harry by close of business on ***July 19, 2021***

The Pennsylvania Soybean Board is committed to growing leadership to serve on its board that reflects a diversity of perspectives and opinions as the industry population that pays the marketing and promotion assessment is diverse. That diversity should reflect size of operation, experience of members, methods of production and distribution, ethnicity and gender, marketing strategies, and other distinguishing factors that will bring different perspectives and ideas to the table.

In addition to the opportunities of the Pennsylvania Soybean Board, there are opportunities to serve on the United Soybean Board. The United Soybean Board is comprised of 72 Farmer Leaders from across the United States. If you are interested in being nominated for the United Soybean Board, please contact our office for additional information on this process.

If you have questions, contact the PSB office at (717) 651-5922 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Thank you for your assistance in identifying qualified leaders for the Pennsylvania Soybean Board.

**Nomination for Pennsylvania Soybean Board**

Name, Telephone Number and/or Email of Person Making the Nomination: (*self-nominations are welcomed)*

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Name of Individual Being Nominated: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Nominee’s Current Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Nominee’s Address, Telephone, Cell and Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Nominee’s County (where they reside): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Acres of soybeans raised in PA: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Is the Nominee affiliated with a First Purchaser (Feed Mill) of Soybeans (for example: owner, on the board, family member, in a leadership role, etc.)? *Note: the soybean board is limited to the number of first purchasers permitted to serve on the board at one time*

 Yes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Does the Nominee have the ability to attend weekday PSB meetings and participate in weekday conference calls: Yes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Nominees’ Farming Operation (provide a brief overview of acres, crops, livestock, employees, etc.)

Nominee’s Additional Comments; Leadership Experience and/or Affiliations/Clubs/Organizations.

**Kindly Remit Nominations by July 19, 2021 to:**

Pennsylvania Soybean Board

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