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**MIDWEST FOOD BANK WELCOMES AARON KLOPFENSTEIN TO
NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

NORMAL, IL – Midwest Food Bank is excited to announce the addition of Aaron Klopfenstein to its National Board of Directors, effective January 2025. Aaron's leadership, financial expertise, and strategy experience make him a valuable addition to our growing team of dedicated board members.

Originally from Central Illinois, Aaron resides in Indianapolis, Indiana, with his wife, Kara, and their three sons: Caleb, Carter, and Cooper. A graduate of the University of Illinois and Indiana University, Aaron brings 25 years of professional experience to Midwest Food Bank. He currently serves as Managing Director and Board of Directors member at Blue Trust, a national wealth advisory firm that combines financial planning and Biblical principles.

"Aaron's commitment to advancing the Kingdom, combined with his deep understanding of financial stewardship and branding, aligns perfectly with our mission," says Eric Hodel, CEO of Midwest Food Bank. "We are confident that his skills and dedication will significantly enhance our efforts to serve those in need and share the love of Christ."

Aaron's connection to Midwest Food Bank runs deep. His parents were long-time volunteers in Peoria, Illinois, and he has personally volunteered at Midwest Food Bank Indianapolis, organizing workdays with his company team.

"It is an honor to serve a ministry whose vision is excellence and whose mission is sharing the love of Christ," says Aaron. "I look forward to seeing how God will use this incredible organization in the years ahead."

Aaron joins Midwest Food Bank's National Board as its 12th member. This expanded leadership team strengthens the organization's ability to continue its mission of alleviating hunger and providing disaster relief.

Midwest Food Bank was founded in 2003 on the Kieser family farm in rural McLean County, Illinois. Partner non-profit agencies receive food from MFB at no cost. MFB, the largest food bank in the U.S., has 10 domestic locations serving 25 states. There are also two international locations, East Africa and Haiti. For more information about Midwest Food Bank, please visit their website at midwestfoodbank.org

Midwest Food Bank ("MFB") is a private, non-profit 501(c)(3) charity. As a faith-based organization, it is the mission of Midwest Food Bank to share the love of Christ by alleviating hunger and providing disaster relief. Our vision is to provide industry-leading food relief to those in need while feeding them spiritually.

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