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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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issuer that is affirmative de	sale of equity securities of intended to satisfy the ofense conditions of Rule are Instruction 10.			
	ldress of Reporting Pe hn Edward	erson [*]	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO</u> [CENT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner
(Last) 1340 TREAT	(First)	(Middle)	 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/12/2024 	Officer (give title X Other (specify below) President Pet Consumer Product
SUITE 600 (Street) WALNUT			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2024	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Persor
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transac Code (Ir 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership		
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock	02/12/2024		M ⁽¹⁾		6,580	A	\$22.8 ⁽²⁾	52,404	D	
Class A Common Stock	02/12/2024		F ⁽³⁾		5,043	D	\$37.09	47,361	D	
Class A Common Stock	02/13/2024		S		5,321	A	\$37.1901	42,040	D	
Units								1,916.81	Ι	By 401(k) Plan ⁽⁴⁾

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$22.8 ⁽⁵⁾	02/12/2024		М			6,580 ⁽⁵⁾	(6)	02/10/2026	Class A Common Stock ⁽⁵⁾	6,580 ⁽⁵⁾	\$ <mark>0</mark>	3,947	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The purpose of this amendment to the Form 4 filed on February 13, 2024 with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission is to correct the source of Reporting Owner's disposal of Class A Common Stock. Class A Common Stock was reported as being withheld on February 10, 2024 as the result of withholding tax liability upon vesting of restricted stock. The transaction was in regard to a stock option exercised on February 12, 2024.

2. On December 7, 2023, Company declared a stock dividend, payable to all holders on record of Common Stock and Class A Common Stock as of January 8, 2024, of one share of Class A Common Stock for every four shares of Common Stock and Class A Common Stock outstanding. At the same time, pursuant to anti-dilution provisions, an option for 5,264 shares Class A Common Stock on January 8, 2024 became exercisable for 10,527 shares of Class A Common Stock.

3. Shares withheld by the Issuer in payment of the aggregate option exercise price and withholding tax liability incurred upon the above-reported exercise of options. The amount of shares withheld is based on the respective average of the high and low sales prices on the date of exercise.

4. The units represent interests in the CENTA Stock Fund in the Issuer's 401(k) Plan, which consist of shares of CENTA stock and cash.

5. This option was previously reported as an option for 5264 shares of Class A Common Stock at an exercise price of \$28.50 per share, but was adjusted to reflect the stock dividend declared by Company on December 7, 2023. As a result of the stock dividend, the option also entitled the Reporting Person to receive, upon exercise, 10527 shares of Class A Common Stock for no additional consideration

6. Options were granted on February 10, 2020, and all shares are vested and are exercisable.

/s/Filomena Eickstaedt as 02/14/2024 Attorney-in-Fact for John Hanson ** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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