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COUNTY OF LAKE

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MICHAEL B. BROWN RECORDER

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Jacquelyn R. Cooper, of the City of Crown Point, Lake County, Indiana, being first duly sworn upon her oath, deposes and says:

- 1. Lila L. Cooper died testate November 9, 2013, while domiciled in Lake County, Indiana. The Last Will and Testament of Lila L. Cooper was probated and spread of record in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Lake County on the 17th day of December, 2013, under Cause No. 45C01-1312-EM-259. A file-marked copy of such Will is attached to this Affidavit and incorporated by reference.
 - 2. She is the surviving adult daughter of Lila L. Cooper, deceased.
 - 3. Forty-five (45) days have elapsed since the death of the decedent.
- 4. No application or petition for the appointment of a personal representative is pending or has been granted in any jurisdiction. Lett 15
- 5. The value of the gross probate estate of Lila L. Cooper, wherever located, less liens and encumbrances, does not exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), and the costs and expenses of administration and reasonable funeral expenses.
- 6. Among the probate assets owned by the decedent at the time of her death was the following:

Citizens Financial Bank Certificate of Deposit No. 4283206 in the name of Lila L. Cooper Living Trust (revoked) with a balance at date of death of ...

\$2,925.05

7. The name and address of each other person that is entitled to a share of the property described above and the share to which each person is entitled are as follows:

NAME
Jacquelyn R. Cooper PO Box 497, Crown Point, IN 46308

<u>SHARE</u> 100%

- 8. She has notified each person identified above of her intention to present this Small Estate Affidavit to claim the property described above on behalf of the persons identified above.
- 9. Pursuant to Indiana Code 29-1-8-1 (Small Estate Administration), the undersigned as the sole beneficiary under the decedent's Last Will and Testament is entitled to the property described above without administration.

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PEGGY HOLINGA KATONA
LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR

WHEREFORE, this affiant requests that Citizens Financial Bank, presently in possession of the personal property described above, transfer the same to this affiant pursuant to Indiana Code and that distribution of the personal property described above to this affiant shall release Citizens Financial Bank from any liability with regard to the proper application and disbursement of such personal property; and this affiant charges herself with the responsibility of proper disbursement of the funds according to the provisions of the decedent's Last Will and Testament to the person described above, and agrees to hold harmless Citizens Financial Bank from any liability with regard to the transfer of such personal property.

This affiant says nothing further.

Jacquelyn R. Cooper

Resident of Lake County, Indiana

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State this day of February, 2014.

My Commission Expires: March 13, 2015

Docume Barbara L. Janke,

Votary Public

Official Seal
BARBARA L. JANKE
Resident of Lake County, IN
My commission expires

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THIS INSTRUMENT PREPARED BY: James W. Martin, Attorney at Law, 8585 Broadway, Suite 660, Merrillville, Indiana 46410.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENTFILED IN CLERK'S OFFICE

OF

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LILA L. COOPER

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I, LILA L. COOPER, of Crown Point, Lake County, Indiana, being of sound mind and disposing memory, make, publish and declare this instrument to be my Last Will and Testament, expressly revoking any former wills or codicils previously made by me.

ARTICLE I

I provide my personal representative with the authority to pay any of my expenses of last illness, funeral and burial expenses, the administration expenses of my estate, and other lawful claims against my estate (including, but not limited to, similar expenses and claims that are incurred during any ancillary administration, in any jurisdiction, of my property). If my personal representative pays any of such expenses or claims, then such payments shall be paid from the principal of my residuary estate.

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ARTICLE II

I direct that all estate, inheritance, and other death taxes of any nature, including interest and penalties on them, payable by reason of my death which may be assessed or imposed upon with respect to property passing under this Will, or property not passing under this Will, shall be charged to and paid out of the distributive share of any recipient of any such property. It is my specific wish, desire and direction that my estate not be charged or be liable for the payment of any such estate, inheritance, or other death taxes; but the same shall be charged, apportioned, or prorated against, and reimbursement sought from, any legatee or devisee under this Will, or any person owning or receiving any property, including, but not limited to, jointly-owned assets, payon-death accounts, transfer-on-death property, life insurance, annuities and retirement plans not passing under this Will, by reason of my death.

ARTICLE IV

I give my residuary estate (that is, all of the interests which I have, at my death, in property and which interests are not otherwise effectively disposed of by a specific devise in this, my Last Will and Testament, or otherwise) to my daughter, JACQUELYN R. COOPER, if she survives me. If my daughter, JACQUELYN R. COOPER, does not survive me, I give my

residuary estate, in equal shares, to those of my grandchildren, JANINE COOPER and SCOTT A. COOPER, who survive me.

ARTICLE V

I name, nominate and appoint my daughter, **JACQUELYN R. COOPER**, to be executor of this, my Last Will and Testament. I request that no bond be required for such personal representative in such capacity; however, if such a bond is so required for such personal representative, then I request that such bond be nominal in amount.

ARTICLE VI

I specifically authorize my personal representative to administer my estate as an unsupervised estate. I further authorize the Court to grant any petition filed by my personal representative for an unsupervised estate. My legatees and devisees do not have to join in any petition for unsupervised administration, nor do they have to consent to or understand the significance of administration without court supervision.

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All references in this Will to "survives" or "survive" or words of a similar nature shall be construed to require that the person who must survive me to receive any type of gift under this Will must survive me for one thousand (1,000) hours. If the person who must survive me to receive any type of gift under this Will does not survive me for one thousand (1,000) hours, the reference shall be construed as if the person who must have so survived had predeceased me.

Signature and Attestation Clause

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this Will this 22 day of November, 2010, consisting of three (3) pages at Merrillville, Indiana.

DILIT E. COOI EN

Subscribed, published and declared by the said **LILA L. COOPER** as and for her Last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other, have subscribed our names as witnesses to the execution of said Will this day of November, 2010, each of the undersigned believing **LILA L. COOPER** to be of sound mind and disposing memory.

James W. Martin

8585 Broadway, Suite 660 Merrillville, Indiana 46410

BARBARA L. JANKE

13066 W. 118th Place Cedar Lake, Indiana 46303

Self-Proving Clause

- (1) That the testator executed the instrument as the testator's will;
- (2) That, in the presence of both witnesses, the testator signed or acknowledged the signature already made or directed another to sign for the testator in the testator's presence;
- (3) That the testator executed the will as a free and voluntary act for the purposes expressed in it;
- (4) That each of the witnesses, in the presence of the testator and of each other, signed the will as a witness;
 - (5) That the testator was of sound mind when the will was executed; and
- (6) That to the best knowledge of each of the witnesses the testator was, at the time the will was executed, eighteen (18) or more years of age.

LILA L. COOPER,

TESTATOR

JAMES W. MARTIN

WITNESS

BARBARA L. JANKE

BARA L. JANKE, \mathcal{O} WITNESS