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ST. LOUIS - The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, acting pursuant to delegated authority for the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, today approved the notification by Midwest Bancorporation, Inc. & Affiliates Employee Stock Ownership Plan, Poplar Bluff, Missouri, to acquire an additional 7.4 percent, for total ownership of 44 percent, of the voting shares of Midwest Bancorporation, Inc.

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