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DATE: July 29, 2026

TO: Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Joseph K. Spano
Commissioner of Department of Correction

SUBJECT: Resolution to exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, pursuant to Section 3(a)(xxi) thereof, the procurement of an agreement with West Publishing Corporation, a Thomson Reuters company, for the provision of its "CLEAR Proflex", "CLEAR for Law Enforcement Plus", and "CLEAR Criminal Justice Arrest Gateway PRO Add Seat" services for a term commencing retroactively on July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2031, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$34,760.88

Authority is hereby requested from your Honorable Board to exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures (the "Policy"), pursuant to Section 3(a)(xxi) thereof, the procurement of an agreement the between the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Department of Correction (the "Department"), and West Publishing Corporation, a Thomson Reuters company ("West") for the provision of its "CLEAR Proflex", "CLEAR for Law Enforcement Plus", and "CLEAR Criminal Justice Arrest Gateway PRO Add Seat" services for a term commencing retroactively on July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2031 (the "Agreement"), in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$34,760.88.

Ordinarily under Section 5 of the Policy, the County is required to "solicit written or oral quotations from no fewer than three persons customarily providing such goods or services and, if deemed appropriate, to inquire as to the qualifications and experience of such persons". However, West's CLEAR services are used by the Department to prevent fraud, detect risk, and investigate crime with powerful online investigation software with a vast database of information that proves extremely useful in conducting background investigation information for use in hiring Correction Officers and approving security clearances. CLEAR has moved investigations forward successfully through a vast collection of public and proprietary records. It allows exclusive data feeds, quality domestic data, and incarceration records with source transparency and frequent updates in a single platform. West has been providing exceptional CLEAR services to the Department for many years which enables the Department to access and make confident decisions with access to CLEAR's current and trusted data. The continued use of West's CLEAR services will provide consistency, clarity, and safety and will also help ensure the safety, health and security of all persons present at the Department's facilities.

Pursuant to Section 3(a)(xxi) thereof, the Policy is not applicable to any procurement for which your Honorable Board determines, by resolution passed prior to commencing such procurement, that compliance with the Policy would not be in the best interests of the County. For the reasons set forth

above, it is proposed that the best interests of the County would be served by exempting from the Policy, the procurement of the Agreement.

Accordingly, a Resolution to exempt the procurement of the Agreement is hereby submitted for your Honorable Board's consideration.

JKS/LC

Attachment

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RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of the Department of Correction, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 3(a)xxi of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, it is hereby determined that application of the procedural requirements contained therein, including the necessity of soliciting written or oral quotations from no fewer than three persons customarily providing such goods or services and, if deemed appropriate, to inquire as to the qualifications and experience of such persons, is neither cost effective nor expedient, and accordingly, not in the best interests of the County of Westchester in connection with the procurement of an agreement with West Publishing Corporation, a Thomson Reuters company, for the provision of its “CLEAR Proflex”, “CLEAR for Law Enforcement Plus”, and “CLEAR Criminal Justice Arrest Gateway PRO Add Seat” services, commencing retroactively on July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2031, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$34,760.88.

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