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IN THE THIRD DISTRICT COURT, SALT LAKE DEPARTMENT
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SALT LAKE, STATE OF UTAH

THE STATE OF UTAH,

Plaintiff,

vs.

WILLIAM RICHARD O'REILLY,
DOB: 02/15/1946,
[REDACTED]
South Jordan, UT 84095
OTN 61356192
SO# 428278
Booking# 21022852
SID#

Defendant.

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INFORMATION

NO BAIL REQUESTED

Warrant/Release: IN SALT LAKE COUNTY
JAIL

Case No.

DA Case No. 21011281

The undersigned, Detective D. Glick with Sandy City Police Department, in reference to agency case no. SY2021-34027, upon a written declaration states on information and belief that the defendant, WILLIAM RICHARD O'REILLY, committed the crimes of:

COUNT 1

MURDER, 76-5-203 UCA, First Degree Felony, as follows: That on or about July 02, 2021 at 8900 South 1000 West, Sandy, Utah, in Salt Lake County, State of Utah, the defendant, intentionally or knowingly caused the death of Masako Kenley; or intending to cause serious bodily injury to another, committed an act clearly dangerous to human life that caused the death of another; or acting under circumstances evidencing a depraved indifference to human life, knowingly engaged in conduct which created a grave risk of death to another and thereby caused

the death of another; or engaged in the commission, attempted commission, or immediate flight from the commission or attempted commission of any Felony Discharge of a Firearm, or was a party to the Felony Discharge of a Firearm; and a person other than a party as defined in Utah Code Section 76-2-202 was killed in the course of the commission, attempted commission, or immediate flight from the commission or attempted commission of Felony Discharge of a Firearm; and the actor acted with the intent required as an element of the Felony Discharge of a Firearm.

COUNT 2

FELONY DISCHARGE OF A FIREARM WITH SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, 76-10-508.1 UCA, First Degree Felony, as follows: That on or about July 02, 2021 at 8900 South 1000 West, Sandy, Utah, in Salt Lake County, State of Utah, the defendant, knowing or having reason to believe that any person may be endangered by the discharge of a firearm, discharged a firearm in the direction of any person or persons; or with the intent to intimidate or harass another or with intent to damage a habitable structure, discharged a firearm in the direction of any person or habitable structure; or with the intent to intimidate or harass another, discharged a firearm in the direction of any vehicle.

Furthermore, the aforementioned violation caused serious bodily injury to any person.

COUNT 3

OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE, 76-8-306(1) UCA, Second Degree Felony, as follows: That on or about July 02, 2021 at 8900 South 1000 West, Sandy, Utah, in Salt Lake County, State of Utah, the defendant, did, with intent to hinder, delay, or prevent the investigation, apprehension, prosecution, conviction, or punishment of any person regarding conduct that constituted a criminal offense, alter, destroy, conceal, or remove any item or other thing.

THIS INFORMATION IS BASED ON EVIDENCE OBTAINED FROM THE FOLLOWING WITNESSES:

D. Glick, E. Alexander, C. Anderson, R. Anson, J. Arnold, S. Ballard, T. Collar, C. Biggs, M. Crook, S. Drew, S. Flores, I. Galicia, A. Griffiths, D. Harrison, Z. Henrichsen, C. Hess, R. James, W. Kenley, B. Lamoreaux, S. Langi, J. Olsen, S. Pomeroy, M. Rapela, C. Rothe, K. Rou, P. Rou, G. Smith, A. Walton, R. Webb, L. Marsden.

DECLARATION OF PROBABLE CAUSE:

The Statement of Detective Glick with the Sandy Police Department that on July 3, 2021, William Kenley reported his wife Masako Kenley (hereinafter "Masako") was missing. According to William Kenley, Masako was supposed to be meeting co-workers for dinner on July 2, 2021, but she never showed up. William Kenley said when he called Masako's phone, it went directly to her voicemail.

Sandy City Police detectives learned that Masako was acquainted with a male named WILLIAM O'REILLY (hereinafter O'REILLY) who she had met at work. Through cell phone call detail records (CDR) for Masako and O'REILLY, and video surveillance, Sandy City Police Detectives were able to ascertain that O'REILLY and Masako were together during the afternoon hours of July 2, 2021. O'REILLY and Masako are seen on video surveillance of a business in Midvale leaving together in Masako's van at 16:05. O'REILLY is the driver and Masako is the passenger. CDR show one of the last reported locations of Masako's phone in the area of 8900 S and 1000 W in a heavily wooded area. Local business surveillance confirms Masako's white van pulling into that area on the afternoon of July 2, 2021 at 16:35. Masako's van is then seen on surveillance leaving the same area at 16:55. When Masako's van is seen returning to the Midvale business parking lot at 17:02 O'REILLY is driving the van and Masako is not seen in the van. On July 5, 2021, Utah State cadaver dogs located the body of Masako in a ditch in the heavily wooded area near 8900 South and 1000 W described above.

An autopsy was performed by Dr. Lily Marsden of the Utah Office of the Medical Examiner. Dr. Marsden stated that Masako Kenley suffered two gunshot wounds, one in the neck and one in the chest. Both gunshot wounds caused serious bodily injury. The bullet from the gunshot to the chest struck the heart. Additionally, Dr. Marsden stated that there were four stab wounds to the neck. Two of the wounds were deep, and one struck the carotid artery. According to Dr. Marsden, either the gunshot wound to the heart, the stab wound to the carotid artery, or a combination of the two caused Masako's death. According to Dr. Marsden the cause of death of Masako Kendley was certified as multiple gunshot wounds and sharp force injuries and the Manner of Death was homicide.

The Statement of Detective Anson that on July 4, 2021, he spoke to Paul Rau (hereinafter "Paul") who identified himself as O'REILLY'S brother-in-law. Paul told Detective Anson that on July 3, 2021, O'REILLY brought Paul a gun to clear a jam and clean it for him. O'REILLY

told Paul that he had shot the gun and it jammed. Paul brought Detective Anson the Glock handgun. Detective Anson stated that the Glock is a 9mm and it was loaded with rounds of 9mm full- metal- jacket ammunition, including a round in the chamber.

The statement of O'REILLY that he had been with Masako during the afternoon of July 2, 2021. O'REILLY said he and Masako were supposed to go to dinner that night, but they ended up not going to dinner. O'REILLY stated that he had previously placed a GPS tracking device on Masako's van. O'REILLY said that on July 2, 2021 Masako got upset with O'REILLY and told him "they were done and to take the GPS tracker off her vehicle." O'REILLY stated that he removed the GPS tracking device from Masako's van some time on July 2, 2021 after they had gotten into an argument. O'REILLY told Officers that he removed the tracker from the van while it was in the Costco parking lot and advised them where the van was located. O'REILLY said he concealed the GPS tracking device in his personal vehicle. O'REILLY admitted to investigators he took Masako's purse and one sandal from her van and put them in the trunk of his vehicle. O'REILLY said the last time he saw Masako's phone it was in her van and he turned it off while the van was at Costco.

The Statement of Officer Anson that O'REILLY called him on July 5, 2021 and told him he wanted to talk to him. Detective Anson spoke to O'REILLY on the phone. Detective Anson told O'REILLY that they had pinged Masako's phone in the Jordan River "river bottoms" area. O'REILLY first said he believed they were in that area together. Detective Anson asked O'REILLY what they were doing in the river bottoms. O'REILLY then said they were not in the in the river bottoms. Detective Anson told O'REILLY he had obtained a Glock 9mm handgun from Paul Rau and what Paul had told him about the gun. O'REILLY claimed he fired the Glock into an irrigation ditch behind his home on July 2, 2021. O'REILLY said he wanted Paul and his son to check the gun for defects and that Paul's son was a gunsmith and active with the military and he could fix it for O'REILLY.

The Statement of Officer Anson that the CDR from O'REILLY's phone show that O'REILLY's phone was turned off on July 2, 2021 at 16:19 hours and the phone was turned back on right before 17:02 hours on July 2, 2021. Detective Anson advised O'REILLY that Masako's body had been recovered in the river bottoms. Detective Anson asked O'REILLY about turning his phone off and on. O'REILLY stated he didn't know why he did that. Detective Anson asked O'REILLY what happened down in the "river bottoms in the area of 9000 South and 700 West." O'REILLY stated that he could not remember what happened.

Search warrants were approved and executed on O'REILLY's residence and vehicle. During the search warrants, officers recovered the following: O'REILLY's boots, pants and his

jacket (the boots and pants and possibly the jacket appeared to have blood on them); a box of 9mm full-metal-jacket ammunition with 27 rounds and a loaded 9mm Glock magazine; a utility knife tool that detectives were told O'REILLY is known to carry; and a GPS tracking device. Detectives located Masako's purse, Identification, and one of her sandals from the trunk of O'REILLY's vehicle. GPS tracking devices were also recovered from the trunk of O'REILLY's vehicle.

REQUEST FOR NO BAIL HOLD:

Pursuant to Utah Code 77-20-1(2), the State requests that Defendant be held without bail until further notice in this matter on the following grounds:

The defendant is charged with two first-degree felonies and there is substantial evidence supporting the charges and clear and convincing evidence that the defendant would constitute a substantial danger to any other individual or to the community or is likely to flee the jurisdiction of the court, if released on bail.

Substantial Evidence to Support the Charges:

Please refer to the detailed Probable Cause Statement in this Information.

Clear and Convincing Evidence that the Defendant would constitute a substantial danger to any other individual or to the community, or is likely to flee the jurisdiction of the court if released on bail:

Based on the nature of the facts of this case and the extreme nature in which Masako Kenley was attacked and killed by the infliction of four stab wounds to her neck (one that went through her carotid artery) in addition to shooting Masako twice (one shot went through her heart,) the State believes that the Defendant poses a threat to others demonstrated by the brutal way in which Masako was killed. Masako was left in an area that is completely uninhabited and secluded and covered in vegetation that made it extremely difficult to locate her body. The Defendant claims he is a military veteran, and the way in which Masako was killed appears consistent with someone having military experience. Furthermore, during the investigation into the disappearance of Masako Kenley, long before her body was found, William O'REILLY overdosed on sleeping pills after speaking to Detectives about Masako's whereabouts. William O'REILLY admitted to Detective Anson that it was a suicide attempt because he had embarrassed his family by having police vehicles parked in front of his home and the neighbors could see that. Defendant is a flight risk in that he is currently charged with two first degree felonies, including a murder charge, which carry a potential life sentence. Defendant stands to be

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spending the rest of his life in prison and has incentive and resources to flee the jurisdiction. Subsequent to his acts, Defendant tried to get rid of evidence of his crimes.

Pursuant to Utah Code Annotated § 78B-18a-106 (2018) I declare under criminal penalty under the law of Utah that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signed on the 12th day of July, 2021,
in Salt Lake County, Utah

/s/ D. Glick

D. Glick
Declarant

Authorized for presentment and filing

SIM GILL, District Attorney

/s/ Melanie M. Serassio

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OTHER PENDING CASES FOR THE DEFENDANT

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