Jeremy Albert Best DOB 12/16/1974 TCSO Case 2311004

PROBABLE CAUSE DECLARATION

I, Detective Sgt. Andrew Foster, declare under penalty of perjury of the law of the State of

Idaho that the following statements are true and correct:

- 1. I am a Deputy Sheriff for Teton County, Idaho.
- 2. The following sets forth the basis for probable cause for arrest and bonding the

named defendant for the crimes of:

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1. On November 30th, 2023 at approximately 11:41 PM, Deputy R. Christensen with the Teton County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to 4600 Skyline Loop in Victor, Teton County, Idaho for a report of a 911 hang-up call. Deputy Christensen was informed by dispatch that there were loud sounds of yelling in the background of the phone call and then silence. Upon further review of the 911 call recording, prior to a dispatcher answering the line, a female can be heard repeating "Jeremy" and "Jeremy no" and there are sounds of a disturbance. A male voice repeats "yes" in response, and then yells "get the fuck back, you're gonna get shot" followed by "I love you, I love you, I love you." No one is on the line when dispatch picks up the call.

2. While Deputy Christensen was in route to 4600 Skyline Loop, he passed a single vehicle and observed a partial license plate of 1T39. The vehicle appeared to turn from Skyline Loop onto E 5000 S and travel west toward Hwy 33.

3. Deputy Christensen arrived at 4600 Skyline Loop at approximately 11:55 PM. On the property, there is a residence located between two shops located to the north and south of the property. Deputy Christensen exited his patrol vehicle and walked on the west side of the north shop. Deputy Christensen noticed an individual across the street to the west standing outside the residence at 4615 Skyline Loop.

4. Deputy Christensen approached the individual who he identified as Timothy Auchampach DOB 7/22/1975 (Auchampach). Auchampach informed Deputy Christensen that he was in bed this night just prior to Deputy Christensen's arrival. Auchampach stated he could hear a male and female fighting across the street at 4600 Skyline Loop. Auchampach stated Kali Randall Best and Jeremy Best, the couple he knows to reside at the address, have a 7-8 month old child with initials ZB. Auchampach was familiar with his neighbors, Kali and Jeremy. Auchampach told Deputy Christensen he recognized Kali yell, "Jeremy stop it, you have a baby!" Auchampach stated he then heard about five gunshots that sounded like they came from outside. Auchampach stated he sat up from his bed and looked out the window

and observed a black vehicle backing out of the driveway at 4600 Skyline Loop and then leave southbound toward E 5000 S.

5. Deputy Christensen went back across the street to 4600 Skyline Loop accessing the main driveway towards the residence. Deputy Christensen attempted knocking on the west and south doors and did not get any response.

6. Deputy Christensen began walking back down the driveway and located a nonresponsive female, later identified as Kali Randall Best, laying on her left side on the ground under the lean-to of the east side of the north shop. The female was not wearing a shirt or bra. There was blue t-shirt and black sweatshirt laying on the ground within close proximity to the body. Deputy Christensen approached the body and noticed a large pool of blood underneath and around the body. The body was laying next to an open door to the shop with her feet in close proximity to the door of the shop. Deputy Christensen observed what appeared to be gunshot wounds in to the area of her right breast and right side. Deputy Christensen rolled the body over onto her back and attempted CPR, but was unsuccessful. The female appeared to be very recently deceased as her body was malleable and not rigid at all. Deputy Christensen did not know the location or status of the shoper or the child.

7. Due to exigent circumstances, Deputy Christensen and additional officers that responded to assist him entered and cleared the inside of the two shops and the

> residence on the property. Deputy Christensen observed the breaker box on the west side of the residence. The power had been shut off to the residence.

8. Inside the residence, Deputy Christensen noticed a leather pistol holster on the floor near the west entrance. Deputy Christensen did not locate the shooter or the child. Trooper Stapp and Chief Bridger Smith entered the residence to gain information needed for an Amber Alert regarding the missing child. As he was looking for information regarding the missing child. Chief Smith noticed a cell phone on the floor in the hallway that was bent in half with the glass broken. Within approximately a few feet of the empty holster, there was a black revolver with a black handle on the kitchen table. Trooper Stapp also noticed a large gun safe in the master bedroom with the door open. These items were only observed and left inside the residence. Trooper Stapp located a social security card in what appeared to be the infant's bedroom. Law enforcement promptly cleared from the residence after obtaining this exigent information relating to the missing child.

9. Deputy Christensen observed an exterior camera located on the north-west corner of the residence facing toward the driveway and a second exterior camera located on the south-west corner of the north shop facing toward the driveway and residence.

10. Timothy Auchampach later confirmed that the black vehicle he saw leaving 4600 Skyline Loop was a black Chevrolet Tahoe. I confirmed that the victim, Kali Best, is

the registered owner of a Black 1995 Chevrolet Tahoe with Idaho license plate 1T39349, which is registered to that same address.

11. The north shop at 4600 Skyline Loop is the location of Jeremy's business, "Jeremy's Auto Repair." There are multiple vehicles on the property which Jeremy would likely have access to as the owner of the auto repair business. There is also a white Chevrolet van with license plate 1T3133T which Jeremy was operating at approximately 11:56 am the same day, November 30, in Swan Valley, Idaho. Bonneville County responded to a call in Swan Valley where Jeremy appeared unclothed in the Swan Valley General Store.

12. During the execution of Search Warrant 2023-1201A, the Teton County Coroner Theresa Lerch and Detectives with the Idaho State Police further examined the body and the surrounding area. There appeared to be at least three gunshot wounds with entrance and/or exit wounds to her back, right breast and right side. Both of her knees had abrasions and there were what appeared to be scratch marks on her lower abdomen. Coroner Lerch confirmed that Kali Best was pregnant as of November 30, 2023 with an approximately 28 week-old fetus through Kali's OBGYN provider.

13. Based on the foregoing, I have probable cause to believe the crimes of murder in the second degree were perpetrated against Kali Best and her unborn fetus.

Dated: 12/01/2023

<u>/s/ Andrew Foster</u> Teton County Deputy Sheriff