STATE OF MINNESOTA

DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF HENNEPIN

FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

DECLARATION OF LOLA VELAZQUEZ-AGUILU

v.

J. Alexander Kueng, Court File No.: 27-CR-20-12953

Thomas Kiernan Lane, Court File No.: 27-CR-20-12951

Tou Thao, Court File No.: 27-CR-20-12949

Defendants.

STATE OF MINNESOTA ) ss. COUNTY OF RAMSEY )

LOLA VELAZQUEZ-AGUILU, being first duly sworn deposes and states:

- I represent the State of Minnesota as a Special Attorney General in the above captioned matter, and I make this affidavit in response to this Court's request.
- I was not the source of the information in the newspaper articles of February 10 and 11, 2021 regarding alleged plea discussions with Defendant Chauvin's counsel; indeed, I only learned of the alleged plea negotiations from reading the actual articles.
- 3. The February 11 article references a source with "direct knowledge" of the talks. I have no direct knowledge of those talks and accordingly, certainly did not disclose any information about potential plea negotiations or William Barr's role in those negotiations to anyone.
- 4. I do not know who was the source of the information in the articles.

5. I did not order or ratify disclosure of this information to the media.

PURSUANT TO MINN. STAT. § 358.116 (2020), I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT EVERYTHING I HAVE STATED IN THIS DOCUMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

LOLA VELAZQUEZ-AGUILU

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