STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF HENNEPIN

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

VS.

J. Alexander Kueng,

Thomas Kiernan Lane

Tou Thao,

Defendants.

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DISTRICT COURT

NOTICE OF APPEAL BY THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY TO THE COURT OF APPEALS FROM DISTRICT COURT ORDER DENYING STATE'S MOTION TO REINSTATE OR ADD THIRD-DEGREE MURDER CHARGE

Court File No.: 27-CR-20-12953

Court File No.: 27-CR-20-12951

Court File No.: 27-CR-20-12949

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the prosecuting attorney in the above-entitled cases hereby appeals to the Court of Appeals of the State of Minnesota from a written order, dated February 11, 2021, by the Honorable Peter Cahill, Judge of Hennepin County District Court, denying the State's motion to add the charge of Murder in the Third Degree against the Defendants.

The Statement of the Case is attached.

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