STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF HENNEPIN

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

v.

J. Alexander Kueng,

Thomas Kiernan Lane,

Tou Thao,

Defendants.

The above captioned matter came on before the undersigned upon the State's motion for a protective order regarding certain federal investigative materials. Based upon the federal court Order filed under seal in support of the motion, the Court hereby makes the following Order:

- 1. The State's motion for a protective order is granted.
- 2. The State may disclose to counsel for Defendants the federal investigative materials referred to in the federal court Order dated February 19, 2021. The State shall also provide a copy of that federal court Order to counsel for Defendants.
- 3. Counsel for Defendants may only use these materials in order to prepare for trial, and may further disclose these materials only to those persons necessary to preparing for trial, including attorneys, investigators, prospective witnesses, retained experts and consultants, and administrative and support staff assisting in trial preparation efforts. Further, counsel for Defendants shall not file these materials or the federal court Order in state or federal court unless filed under seal.

DISTRICT COURT

FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

PROTECTIVE ORDER

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BY THE COURT

Dated: _____

Peter A. Cahill Judge of District Court