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> IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MISSOULA Karen A. Orzech, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE BEFORE,

STATE OF MONTANA,

Plaintiff,

Department No. 2 Cause No. CR-2016-545

-VS-

STEVEN RYAN HARMON.

Defendant,

COMPLAINT

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ANDREW W. PAUL, Deputy County Attorney, deposes and says that on or about the 11th day of June, 2016, in Missoula County, the Defendant committed the offense of **COUNT I:** ASSAULT WITH WEAPON, a Felony, in violation of Montana law, namely: Mont. Code Ann. § 45-5-213, punishable by 20 years MSP and a \$50,000 fine.

The facts constituting the offense are:

COUNT I: On or about the 11th day of June, 2016, the above-named Defendant purposely or knowingly caused reasonable apprehension of serious bodily injury in Darrel Davis by use of a weapon or what reasonably appeared to be a weapon, specifically: Defendant brandished a knife during an altercation with Davis.

DATED this 13th day of June, 2016.

ANDREW W. PAUL **Deputy County Attorney** Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3 **COMPLAINT 16-1399** ZACHARY SARGENT, Missoula County Sheriff's Office TROY JAMES REXIN, Missoula County Sheriff's Office

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AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

STATE OF MONTANA) : ss County of Missoula)

ANDREW W. PAUL, Deputy County Attorney, Montana, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says:

I have read the official law enforcement reports regarding the investigation of STEVEN RYAN HARMON for allegedly committing the offense(s) set forth in the complaint and based upon the information contained in the reports, if true, believe probable cause exists to justify charging the above-named defendant as specified in the accompanying complaint.

On or about the 11th day of June, 2016, Deputy Rexin and Cpl. Sargent responded to a report of an altercation between two males. Upon arrival, they observed

 to men in the street, yelling at each other. After separating the men, Deputy Rexin spoke with Steven Harmon (Defendant) and Sargent spoke with Darrell Davis.

Davis reported that the Defendant had been living in the RV that was parked outside Davis' residence. Davis went inside the RV and advised Defendant that Davis was no longer going to pay for the insurance and registration on the RV. Defendant became upset and a verbal argument ensued. The argument escalated to a physical altercation. Then, Defendant grabbed a knife and advanced on Davis. Davis exited the RV and went into the garage. The Defendant advanced towards the house with the knife in his hand. The Defendant said that he was going to kill his former wife (Jerri), who was in the house. Defendant said that he was going to slit her throat. Davis told Defendant to stop but Defendant ignored him.

Davis then drew his firearm and told Defendant that if he stepped inside the house, Davis was going to shoot him. The Defendant stopped inside the garage and dropped the knife. Davis holstered the handgun and then he and Defendant began to fight.

Sargent then spoke with Jerri, Karen and Victoria, all of whom reside in the home. Victoria (Davis' wife) was initially inside the RV when Davis and the Defendant began to argue. She then went inside the house. Karen (Victoria's sister) heard yelling outside and saw the Defendant backing out of the garage. She heard the Defendant say that he was going to slit Jerri's throat. She went back inside and told Jerri to hide because the Defendant was threatening to kill her. Jerri indicated that the Defendant has been unpredictable and violent, lately and she was in fear for her safety.

Officers recovered and seized the knife used by the Defendant.

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Deputy Rexin spoke with the Defendant. The Defendant put his head on a vehicle and started crying. After a while, the Defendant stood up and faced Rexin. Defendant saw Jerri and began yelling profanities at her. Rexin stopped Defendant from yelling and asked what happened. Defendant said that Davis pulled a gun on him. Defendant then stated, "I don't know, just take me to jail." When asked why he should be taken to jail, the Defendant replied, "I don't care, just shoot me in the head. Just get me away from here." Defendant denied having a knife.

> ANDREW W. PAUL **Deputy County Attorney**

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this

ay of June, 2016.

ORDER

Upon reading the foregoing Affidavit, the Court finds that there is probable cause to believe the above-named Defendant committed the crimes charged.