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

STATE OF MONTANA
Plaintiff,
-vs-
RYAN HOWARD BAYLOR
Defendant,

Dept No. 2
Cause No. CR-2015-820

COMPLAINT

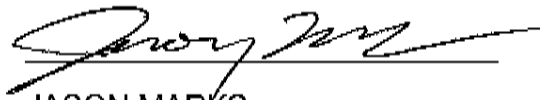
JASON MARKS, Chief Deputy County Attorney, deposes and says that on or about the 28th day of August, 2015, in Missoula County, the Defendant committed the offenses of COUNT I: PARTNER OR FAMILY MEMBER ASSAULT - 3RD OR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE, a Felony, in violation of Montana law, namely: Mont. Code Ann. 45-5-206[3rd+], punishable by not less than 30 days or more than 5 years MSP and/or a fine not less than \$500 or more than \$50,000; COUNT II: AGGRAVATED ASSAULT - REASONABLE APPREHENSION, a Felony, in violation of Montana law, namely: Mont. Code Ann. 45-5-202, punishable by 20 years MSP and \$50,000 fine.

The facts constituting the offense are:

COUNT I: On or about the 28th day of August, 2015, the above-named Defendant purposely or knowingly caused bodily injury to Melissa Blodgett a partner.

COUNT II: On or about the 28th day of August, 2015, the above-named Defendant purposely or knowingly, with the use of physical force or contact, caused reasonable apprehension of serious bodily injury or death in Melissa Blodgett by strangling her.

1 DATED this 28th day of August, 2015.

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3 JASON MARKS
4 Chief Deputy County Attorney

5 Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____ day of August, 2015.

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10 Det. Wain, Missoula City Police Dept
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AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

10 STATE OF MONTANA)
11 : ss
12 County of Missoula)

13 JASON MARKS, Chief Deputy County Attorney, Montana, being first duly sworn
14 upon oath, deposes and says:

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

20 On or about the 28th day of August, 2015, Missoula City Police responded to
21 Cedar Villa apartments in Missoula after 911 received a hang-up call followed by a call
22 from Melissa Blodgett reporting that her ex-boyfriend, Ryan Baylor, had assaulted her.
23 Officer Potter arrived at the residence and observed drops of blood on the floor of the
24 residence and noted that Blodgett was bleeding from a cut.

25 Blodgett stated that Baylor, her ex-boyfriend, had arrived at the residence
26 intoxicated and forced his way inside. Due to his intoxication and history of violence
27 toward her Blodgett said she tried to call 911. However, Baylor knocked the phone out
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1 of her hand to disconnect the call. She said he then repeatedly hit her and then put her
2 in a chokehold. She said that she could not breathe while he had her in the chokehold.
3 She told Officer Potter that she was afraid Baylor would kill or seriously injure her. It
4 should be noted that Baylor was convicted in 2013 of a 3rd offense PFMA for assaulting
5 Blodgett while they were in a relationship.
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7 Officers located Baylor and observed that he appeared intoxicated. He denied
8 that anything physical had happened between himself and Blodgett and said that they
9 had argued and he left when she asked him to.
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14 JASON MARKS
Chief Deputy County Attorney

15 SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this ____ day of August, 2015.
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19 JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
20 ORDER

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

23 DATED this ____ day of _____, 2015 at ____ a.m./p.m.
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27 JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
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