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IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MISSOULA
BEFORE, Marie A Andersen, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

STATE OF MONTANA,

Plaintiff,

Department No. 1 Cause No. 1 CR-2016-983

-VS-

MICHAEL DAVID LEONARDINI,

Defendant.

COMPLAINT

BRIAN LOWNEY, Deputy County Attorney, deposes and says that on or about the 1st day of October, 2016, in Missoula County, the Defendant committed the offense 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

The facts constituting the offense are:

not less than \$500 or more than \$50,000.

COUNT I: On or about the 1st day of October, 2016, the above-named Defendant purposely or knowingly caused bodily injury to Jane Doe, a partner.

DATED this 2nd day of October, 2016.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2

day of October, 2016.

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AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

STATE OF MONTANA : SS County of Missoula

BRIAN LOWNEY, 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 MICHAEL DAVID LEONARDINI 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 October 1, 2016, at approximately 9pm, Missoula Police Department officers responded to a report of an assault on the 3700 block of Russell Avenue,

Missoula County, MT. Officers were called to the scene by two passersby who observed the Defendant "punching" and "beating on" the victim, Jane Doe, while Doe and the Defendant walked down the street.

Officers located Doe at her address near the site of the reported assault. Doe indicated that the Defendant was her boyfriend. Doe reported that the Defendant had been drinking earlier in the day and that just before the attack, the Defendant wanted Doe to accompany him to the store to purchase more alcohol. Doe indicated she did so because she believed the Defendant would be upset with her if she didn't go. While Doe was walking with the Defendant, he began to call her vulgar names, and Doe responded that she "didn't want to live like this anymore." The Defendant responded by telling her "that was the wrong thing to say", at which point he pulled Doe's hair, threw her to the cement and threatened to kill her. The Defendant then twisted Doe's neck by pulling violently on her hair, and then began to slap and punch her. Doe indicated the Defendant's blows caused pain, and told officers during the time she spoke with them that she could not "lift her head all the way up" due to the pain in her neck.

Officers spoke with two separate witnesses who observed the Defendant hitting Doe, and who called police because of what they saw. One witness was driving by the 3700 block of Russell and indicated she saw the Defendant "swinging down" at Doe and believed the Defendant to be hitting Doe. That witness turned around and contacted Doe, who told the witness "I'm not ok, he's coming after me." The witness provided her phone for Doe to call 911.

The second witness was driving by in a different vehicle and observed the Defendant hit Doe in the face "pretty hard" with an open hand. The second witness observed an unidentified male attempt to help Doe, at which point the Defendant ran away from the scene. The second witness called 911 as well.

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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 2 day of October, 2016.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

ORDER

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

DATED this 200 day of Oct

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