### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI <u>AT INDEPENDENCE</u>

| POLICE NO.:            | 22-003564          |
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| PROSECUTOR NO.:        | 095470163          |
| OCN:                   | EO009212           |
| STATE OF MISSOURI,     | )                  |
| *                      | NTIFF, )           |
| vs.                    | )                  |
|                        | )                  |
| TRESHAWN M HARDRIDGE   | )                  |
| 1108 SW 23rd Street    | ) CASE NO. 2216-CR |
| Blue Springs, MO 64015 | ) DIVISION         |
| DOB: 09/12/2002        | )                  |
| Race/Sex: B/M          | )                  |
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| DEFEN                  | DANT. )            |
| COMP                   | PLAINT             |

# WARRANT REQUESTED Count I. Terrorist Threat - 1st Degree (574.115-004Y20201602.0)

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, upon information and belief, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 574.115, RSMo, committed the **class D felony of Making a Terrorist Threat in the First Degree**, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.002 and 558.011, RSMo, in that on or about June 15, 2022, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant with the purpose of frightening ten or more people, communicated an express or implied threat to cause an incident or condition involving danger to life by threatening on social media that he was going to start "killing people mass murdering."

The range punishment for a class D felony is imprisonment in the custody of the Missouri Department of Corrections for a term of years not less than one (1) year and not to exceed seven (7) years; or by imprisonment for a special term not to exceed one (1) year in the county jail or other authorized penal institution; or by a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000); or by both imprisonment and a fine. If money or property has been gained through the commission of the crime, any fine imposed may be not more than double the amount of the offender's gain from the commission of the crime.

The facts that form the basis for this information and belief are contained in the statement(s) of facts filed contemporaneously herewith, made a part hereof, and submitted as a basis upon which this court may find the existence of probable cause.

#### State vs. Treshawn M Hardridge

Wherefore, the Prosecuting Attorney prays that an arrest warrant be issued as provided by law.

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## **WITNESSES:**

- 1. DET Kevin Lange, 1100 SW Smith, Blue Springs, MO 64015
- 2. PO Brandon Shrout, 1100 SW Smith, Blue Springs, MO 64015

#### STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

| DATE: June 15, 2022            | Blue Springs Police Case Number       | 2022-003564 |
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- I, **Det. Kevin Lange** a police officer with the Blue Springs Police Department knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true.
- 1.) I have probable cause to believe that on June 14, 2022, at 1108 SW 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, Blue Springs, Jackson County, Mo 64015, Treshawn M. Hardridge B/M 09-12-2002, of 1108 SW 23 Street, Blue Springs, Mo 64015 committed one or more criminal offense(s).
- 2.) The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On Tuesday, June 14, 2022, Blue Springs Police Officer Brandon Shrout received a telephone report from an anonymous female who reported she had seen a Snapchat post stating "Mental Health is important I'm gonna start killing people mass murdering don't test your luck w me never know u might be the reason for the next big event". The anonymous Reporting Party was able to identify the post to come from Mr. Hardridge.

Once I received the case, I immediately reached out to the FBI for assistance in confirming this account did in fact come from Mr. Hardridge and to locate him before anyone was harmed. I also notified the Blue Springs School District DPS (Department of Public Safety) since summer school was in session and not knowing where the "mass murdering" may take occur.

I contacted Mr. Hardridge's father, Andre D. Wheeler and asked if he knew the whereabouts of his son, he said he did not and did not know how to contact him. Mr. Wheeler did indicate that Mr. Hardridge abuses Percocet and needs to go to rehab.

With the Snapchat information provided by the anonymous Reporting Party, the FBI was able to determine a cell phone number and issue a preservation letter to Snapchat. An IP address was developed along with a cell phone number which was associated to T-Mobile. An exigent request form was given to T-Mobile to ping the cell phone's location.

The cell phone's ping was determined to be at 1108 SW 23<sup>rd</sup> Street. Officers were assigned to watch the residence and a Person of Interest was issued for Mr. Hardridge.

At approximately 0830 hours, Mr. Hardridge voluntarily exited his residence and surrendered to police and was transported to Headquarters.

At approximately 0950 hours, FBI SA Jon Spaeth and I contacted Mr. Hardridge in his cell at which time he agreed to speak with us. I placed ankle cuffs on Mr. Hardridge, and he was escorted to the second-floor interview room. This interrogation was recorded on my Olympus digital recorder and videotaped.

I presented Mr. Hardridge with a Miranda Warning in which he signed and agreed to allow us to question him.

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SA Spaeth asked Mr. Hardridge what his thoughts where when he was talking about mental health. Mr. Hardridge replied, he was trying to convey a message to everyone, and they all know what (I) he was trying to say. Mr. Hardridge stated he deleted the post after hearing the news coverage of the threat. Mr. Hardridge admitted that over 200 individuals viewed the post before it was removed.

I asked Mr. Hardridge where he was when he posted this message, he said he was in his bedroom at his parent's house on 23<sup>rd</sup> Street. He says he put the post out there for folks not to mess with those with mental health issues.

When Mr. Hardridge was asked if he had access to any guns at his house or where he had been staying in Kansas City, Mo, he said he did not. He was asked this question a couple other times at which time he did admit there were some guns in his father's room. Blue Springs Police Detectives served a search warrant at Mr. Hardridge's residence and recovered a Ruger 9mm handgun and (152) rounds of 9mm, an Anderson AM-15 assault style rifle and a Winchester Model 270. .22cal rifle.

Mr. Hardridge went onto say if he was mentally strong, he "wouldn't go out, but he would fuck them up". He says the post was just him being sarcastic.

During the interview, Mr. Hardridge admitted that he knew the police were looking for him, so he took a side street to slip in the back door of his residence to avoid detection.

Mr. Hardridge did admit he has been addicted to Percocet and needs to go to rehab in which he was supposed to go to one this morning.

Due to Mr. Hardridge social post on Snapchat (7) area schools cancelled their summer school classes and activities.

3.) I believe that defendant poses a danger to the community or to any other person because his social posts have alarmed citizens not only within the Blue Springs community, but to the metro area causing schools and other activities to shut down for precautionary measures.

**Detective Kevin Lange #837**Printed Name

/s/ Kevin Lange Signature

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