PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

Date: 9/20/2025 Report #: 2025-59027

I, Rogelio Garcia, a Detective with the Independence, Missouri, 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 9/19/2025, at 2000 hours, Trey C Parker, (Race-White, Sex- Male, committed one or more criminal offenses in Jackson County, Missouri.
- 2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 09/19/2025 at 2005 hours, Independence Police Officers were dispatched to a car wash near the intersection of S Crane St and E 23rd St S, Independence, Jackson County, Missouri 64055. Dispatch advised American Medical Response paramedics had a victim of a stab wound on scene.

Police responded and contacted the paramedics who advised a male was dropped off by a vehicle seeking medical attention. The paramedics transported the male to an area hospital. The victim was pronounced deceased at the hospital.

Detective Garcia conducted an interview with Witness 1. Witness 1 stated the following: Victim was friends with Suspect. Victim and Witness 1 were made aware that Suspect's mother (here-in referred to as Witness 3) was having a garage sale. Witness 1 responded to Suspect and Witness 3's residence to assist. The garage sale ended at around night fall. Victim, Witness 1, Suspect, and an unidentified male (here-in referred to as Witness 2) agreed to go to an area casino. While Witness 1 and Witness 2 were getting a vehicle ready to go, Victim and Suspect got in an argument. Victim and Suspect were directly outside of the vehicle, approximately 4 feet away. Victim and Suspect were arguing about a sweatshirt Victim was wearing, which belonged to Suspect. Witness stated she witnessed a "shoving" physical altercation between Suspect and Victim. However, Witness 1 stated when Victim got in the vehicle, he said "he" had stabbed him and requested to go to the hospital. Witness 2, Witness 1, and Victim then left in the vehicle and located the ambulance. Witness 1 clarified that nobody else was near Victim who could have injured him apart from Suspect.

Police officers responded to the scene of the crime and located the actual location. The scene of the crime happened in the parking lot of Jackson County, Missouri 64055. The parking lot is directly to the west of Suspect's house. Contact was made with Witness 3, and Suspect's sister (here-in referred to as Witness 4), at the residence. Both Witness 3 and Witness 4 were transported to the Independence Police Department for a formal statement.

Police Officers	at the scene of the	crime observed	surveillance	video on t	he house or	the prope	rty at
	and on a detached	building on the	property of				

Detective Breshears interviewed Witness 3, and she stated she observed Suspect in a heated confrontation with Victim, who was wearing Suspect's red Kansas City Chiefs hoodie and taunting him with insults. She did not see Suspect physically attack Victim but later heard from Suspect that he had a knife and "barely tapped" Victim to get him to back off, not believing he caused serious injury. Witness 3 advised Suspect remained at the residence for a while after the incident. Suspect was able to convince a friend to give him a ride and then left the residence.

A search warrant was served at the Suspect's address, and a surveillance system was recovered. A search warrant was executed to extract the data from the surveillance system, and the following was observed: Suspect and Victim are observed in the surveillance. Suspect approached Victim, and Victim and Suspect stood face to face. Suspect produced an item and waved it around in his right hand. Suspect then made a sudden move toward Victim, raised his right arm towards Victim, and stabbed him. Victim is seen immediately after holding his left rib cage area. Victim gets in the front passenger seat of a dark colored vehicle and is last seen traveling eastbound on E 23rd St S.

Suspect was arrested on 09/22/2025 by Independence Police SWAT officers. Detective Garcia conducted an interview with Suspect. Suspect was read his Miranda Warning of Rights directly from the form provided by the police department. Suspect agreed to speak with Detective Garcia and provided the following statement: Suspect and Victim were in an argument over a sweatshirt. Victim approached Suspect on his property. Suspect stated Victim had a knife and had made a "stabbing" and "slashing" motion at him. When that occurred, Suspect produced a knife and stabbed Victim in self-defense. Suspect was confronted with the fact video evidence contradicted his statement and Suspect then told multiple different versions of the incident. When placing Suspect back in a cell in the Independence Police Detention, Suspect stated "he may not have swung the knife at me", which contradicted the versions of the story told before.

Suspect shows a history of arrests or convictions for Tampering with a Motor vehicle 1st Degree, Receiving Stolen Property, Possession Controlled Substance, Unlawful Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and Unlawful Possession Firearm.

Rogelio Garcia #1583	/S/ R. Garcia #1583	
Print Name	Signature	
THE COURT FINDS PROBABL	E CAUSE:	
Date	Judge	