CRIMINAL COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK BRONX COUNTY

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

v.

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF THE BRONX

1. TERRENCE WALLACE M/29 Arrest# B24620969

Defendant

DET MELANIE CESPEDES of ACIS, Shield# 6711, states that on or about April 10, 2024, at approximately 3:00 PM in a park located opposite 2338 Aqueduct Avenue, County of the Bronx, State of New York,

THE DEFENDANT COMMITTED THE OFFENSES OF: 1 (F) A.M.L. 353-a AGGRAVATED CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

IN THAT THE DEFENDANT DID:

A person is guilty of aggravated cruelty to animals when, with no justifiable purpose, he or she intentionally kills or intentionally causes serious physical injury to a companion animal with aggravated cruelty. For purposes of this section, "aggravated cruelty" shall mean conduct which: (i) is intended to cause extreme physical pain; or (ii) is done or carried out in an especially depraved or sadistic manner.

THE GROUNDS FOR THE DEPONENT'S BELIEF ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Deponent observed a video posted on various social media websites, including, but not limited to,

https://www.instagram.com/p/C588 RHueJK/?igsh=aThrOWZ1NnBmd2ph&img index=3. In this video, deponent observed a brown pitbull breed dog, attack a black and white cat. The dog initially bites into the midsection of the cat and the dog swings its head as the dog pushes the cat into the ground. Later in the video, the dog bites into the neck of the cat and repeats the shaking motion described above. The video is one minute in length and the cat struggles to protect itself from the dog until the cat dies. During the course of the video, a male voice can be heard throughout the video repeatedly saying: "Good girl. Shake it Chyna;" "Good girl. Shake it mama;" and "Get it mama."

Deponent has been informed by Kadija Konate, who identified herself as the girlfriend of the defendant, that she has seen the above-described video and that the brown dog in the video belongs to the defendant and that the dog is named Chyna. According to Konate, she had been staying with the defendant and she showed me the keys to the lock for the apartment's door.

Deponent has also been informed by Jaime Guzman, superintendent of the building located at 2515 University Avenue, Bronx, New York, that the defendant lived in that building and that Guzman is familiar with the

defendant. Guzman further informed deponent that he has spoken with the defendant on numerous occasions and is therefore familiar with the defendant's voice. On May 8, 2024, Deponent contacted Guzman and asked him to view and listen to the video described above. Guzman did so and told the deponent that the voice he heard in the video was "Tc"; the nickname for the defendant.

Deponent is informed by Dr. Robert Reisman, Supervisor of Forensic Sciences employed by the ASPCA, that informant conducted a Video Recording Review of Chyna. Deponent is further informed by informant that at "50 seconds [into the above describe video] the cat's body appears limp, indicating that the cat is dead or dying. When the dog closes its mouth unchallenged over the cat's neck if the cat is not dead at that time, it will be dead soon. During this fatal event, the cat experienced excruciating pain because of severe soft tissue injury and likely broken bones."

Deponent further states deponent heard the defendant state, "You don't see me in any of the videos," while defendant was at the $50^{\rm th}$ Precinct, 3450 Kingsbridge Avenue, Bronx, New York.

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