<u>AFFIDAVIT</u>

Sergeant Joshua Robinson, Correctional Officer at Westville Correctional Facility, which is part of the Indiana Department of Corrections, affirms and swears to the following:

- 1. That I am a Correctional Sergeant at Westville Correctional Facility and have been since October 17th, 2021.
- 2. I have been employed at Westville Correctional Facility since July of 2016.
- 3. That I am assigned to WCU unit of Westville Correctional Facility A Pod but have been working on B pod since Spring of 2022.
- 4. That the Defendant is assigned to A Pod.
- 5. That I do NOT practice Odinism.
- 6. That I do wear patches on my uniform that can be, but are not, associated with Odinism.
- 7. That the patches pay the utmost respect to my religious higher power, the same way a Christian person would wear a cross.
- 8. That I am not part of a cult.
- 9. That I am not part of a radical hate group.
- 10. That I started wearing the patches when the vests were issued to me and stopped wearing the patches on September 19th, 2023 per the order of my commander.
- 11. That the patches do not represent racism or a hatred for anyone.
- 12. That I have never had any interaction with the Defendant that was not recorded.
- 13. That I have never had any one-on-one interaction with the Defendant where we were alone together.
- 14. That it would be impossible for me to have any one-on-one interaction with the Defendant because policy mandates that anytime you engage with a member of that unit, you must be accompanied by another officer.
- 15. That the Defendant is on a security plan that mandates that at least two staff members and a video camera are present when interacting with the Defendant.
- 16. That I have interacted with the Defendant along side Sergeant Jones, but that it is always video monitored.
- 17. That I have never threatened or harassed the Defendant.
- 18. That I have never had a one-on-one conversation with the Defendant about Odinism.
- 19. That I have never had a one-on-one conversation with the Defendant where I tried to influence him in anyway.
- 20. That the only interactions that I have with the Defendant are the ones that are required by my duties as a correctional officer.
- 21. Any and every interaction that I have had with the Defendant has been because I was ordered to do so by command.
- 22. Command has never ordered me to threaten or harass or harm the Defendant.

- 23. When I do speak to the Defendant, I give him basic commands as to how to move while he is out of his cell.
- 24. That all my interactions with the Defendant have been documented on a video camera.
- 25. That I have always treated the Defendant with a level of respect and professionalism.
- 26. That the Defense untruthfully targets me as part of a cult.
- 27. That I am not familiar with the evidence involved in the Defendant's case besides what I have seen in the public media.
- 28. That I have never had an excessive force complaint filed against me while I have been employed at Westville Correctional Facility.

I swear, under penalty of perjury, as specified by IC 35-44-2-1, that the foregoing representations are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signed:

Joshua Robinson, Sergeant Westville Correctional Facility