

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT FORM

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 CIRCUIT COURT OF
 JACKSON COUNTY, MO

CRN: KC24009897I, Det. Grant Spiking #5484, Kansas City, Missouri Police Department

(Name and identify law enforcement officer, or person having information as probable cause.)

knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true.

I have probable cause to believe that on 02-14-24, at West Pershing Road & Kessler Road in
 (Date) (Address)

Kansas City, Jackson County Missouri Lyndell Mays
 (County) (Name of Offender(s))

a black male committed one or more criminal offense(s).
 (Description of Identity)

Felony Murder
 Armed Criminal Action

The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 02-14-24, officers with the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department were working at the Kansas City Chief's Super Bowl Parade, located at 30 West Pershing Road, Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri 64108. At approximately 1349 hours, officers responded to sounds of shots near West Pershing Road & Kessler Road. Twenty-Five victims, suffering from apparent gunshot wounds, were either located at the scene or at area hospitals. A 43-year-old female, who was among these victims, succumbed to her injuries and her death has been ruled a homicide by the Jackson County Medical Examiner's Office.

An individual, later identified as **Lyndell Mays**, was located suffering from apparent gunshot trauma, just to the north of West Pershing Road & Kessler Road. A pistol was located next to **Lyndell Mays**, as well as, spent shell casings. **Lyndell Mays** was transported to an area hospital for treatment.

Witness 9 was present at the time of the shooting. She responded to Police Headquarters, 1125 Locust Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106, to give a statement. She stated herself and **Lyndell Mays** were at Kessler Road & Pershing Road. She stated a group of four males approached **Lyndell Mays** and one of the males asked **Lyndell Mays** what he was looking at, because they didn't know him. **Lyndell Mays** told Witness 9 he did not know who the individuals in the group were. Witness 9 stated one of the individuals had a backpack with a firearm hanging out of it. According to Witness 9, the two individuals pulled out firearms from their backpacks. Witness 9 tried to pull **Lyndell Mays** away so they could leave. As she turned her back, she heard gunshots. When she turned back around, she saw the group shooting at **Lyndell Mays**. She clarified and stated the incident happened fast and she only saw the individuals with their firearms out, but could not see who was shooting. After the individuals started shooting at **Lyndell Mays**, **Lyndell Mays** pulled out his own pistol and started returning fire. Witness 9 started to run away, and when she looked back at **Lyndell**, she observed him fall to the ground. She ran to **Lyndell Mays** and observed him suffering from apparent gunshot trauma. A still photo, from surveillance video at the scene, was shown to Witness 9. Witness 9 positively identified **Lyndell Mays** by circling him on the photo and writing "Lyndell." Witness 9 positively identified herself by circling

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herself and writing "me." **Lyndell Mays** was observed wearing a red long-sleeved shirt. Witness 9 was observed wearing a white long-sleeved shirt.

Detectives interviewed Witness 9's boyfriend (Witness 13). He stated a group of individuals approached **Lyndell Mays** and Witness 9 and they began arguing about why they were staring at each other. One of the individuals had a backpack and he could see a firearm inside it. Witness 13 stated at no time did the individual touch the firearm or make any threatening statements. Witness 13 also stated none of the individuals in the approaching group made threatening statements to him, Witness 9, or **Lyndell Mays**.

Detectives reviewed surveillance video and observed **Lyndell Mays** and Witness 9 standing near the West Pershing Road & Kessler Road intersection, just to the north. It appears **Lyndell Mays** gets into a verbal confrontation with a group of individuals standing several feet away from them. **Lyndell Mays** starts to approach the individuals in an aggressive manner, at which time Witness 9 puts her hand on **Lyndell Mays** in an attempt to stop him from advancing further. It appears Witness 9 and **Lyndell Mays** continue to verbally argue with the individuals in the group. **Lyndell Mays** backs up and appears to continue yelling at the individuals in the group, pointing his finger at them in an angry manner. **Lyndell Mays** circles behind a person, and pulls out a handgun with his right hand and points it at one of the individuals (later identified as [REDACTED]). At this time, none of the other individuals appear to have produced a firearm. As **Lyndell Mays** is chasing [REDACTED] while pointing his gun at him, the other individuals in the group pull out their firearms and point them in the direction of **Lyndell Mays** and appear to start shooting in his direction. [REDACTED], whom **Lyndell Mays** is pointing his gun at, is seen running away from **Lyndell Mays** and appears to be unarmed. **Lyndell Mays** continues to chase [REDACTED] as he is running away from him, and **Lyndell Mays** appears to be shooting at [REDACTED]. **Lyndell Mays** then appears to get struck by gunfire and falls to the ground. The individuals involved flee the area. Witness 9 runs up to **Lyndell Mays** and immediately strikes him with her fist, in an angry manner, two times. Just to the north of **Lyndell Mays**, the deceased victim is observed laying on the ground suffering from apparent gunshot trauma. [REDACTED] was transported to an area hospital with apparent gunshot trauma behind his left ear and his left ankle.

On 02-16-24 at approximately 2056 hours, detectives interviewed **Lyndell Mays** at an area hospital. **Lyndell Mays** was read his Miranda Rights, from Form 72 P.D. and he agreed to give a statement. **Lyndell Mays** stated he, Witness 9, and Witness 13 were at the parade near Pershing Road and Kessler Road. **Lyndell** gave a statement of what occurred that was inconsistent with surveillance video at the scene. When **Lyndell Mays** was confronted that we had surveillance video of the incident, he then changed his story.

Lyndell Mays identified himself, Witness 9, and the others involved by circling them in a still shot taken from the surveillance video. **Lyndell Mays** acknowledged he pulled out his gun first and began firing his gun at the others first. **Lyndell Mays** was shown a still photo from surveillance video of him pointing a gun at one of the individuals. When asked what that individual was doing, who he was pointing the gun at, **Lyndell Mays** stated the individual was running away. **Lyndell Mays** stated he hesitated shooting because he knew there were kids there. **Lyndell Mays** stated they all could have had guns so he just randomly picked one of the individuals to target because he was in fear of Witness 9's life. **Lyndell Mays** confirmed that he drew a gun first, in a crowd of people with kids, picked one of the individuals in the group at random, and started shooting, all because they said, "I'm going to get you" and to him, that meant, "I'm going to kill you." **Lyndell Mays** stated the other

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individuals started shooting only after **Lyndell Mays** shot first. **Lyndell Mays** initially stated he didn't think he shot his gun. When **Lyndell Mays** was advised he did shoot, he replied that he didn't hit anything though, but he knew it was still bad. **Lyndell Mays** then stated he only shot one (1) time. He then said maybe two (2) times. When asked why **Lyndell Mays** advanced on them to begin with, he replied, "Stupid, man. Just pulled a gun out and started shooting. I shouldn't have done that. Just being stupid." When reminded that the person **Lyndell Mays** was shooting at was running away from him, **Lyndell Mays** replied, "I know." **Lyndell Mays** confirmed he shot first and shot two times. **Lyndell Mays** acknowledged he shouldn't have pulled a gun out.

This incident occurred in the middle of a very large crowd of people who were there celebrating the Chiefs Super Bowl Parade. At this time, there have been 25 victims injured by gunfire, resulting from this incident, with one victim being fatally shot.

Detectives observed multiple 9mm and .40 caliber spent shell casings just north of the West Pershing Road & Kessler Road intersection. A Glock 9mm handgun [REDACTED] was observed on the ground, in apparent blood, where **Lyndell Mays** fell on the ground after being shot. The magazine contained six (6) live 9mm rounds in a 15-round capacity magazine. There was a live round in the chamber. A computer check revealed the firearm to be stolen out of Kansas City, Missouri.

Printed Name /s/ Det. Grant Spiking #5484 Signature /s/ Det. Grant Spiking #5484

The Court finds probable cause and directs the issuance of a warrant this _____ day of _____.

Judge

Circuit Court of _____ County, State of Missouri.