NB:APW F. #2021R00258

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO BE FILED UNDER SEAL

AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT'S MOTION TO REVOKE BAIL

21-CR-00452(JS)(SIL)

- against -

WILLIE JUNIOR MAXWELL II, also known as "Fetty Wap," also known as Willie Junior Maxwell

Defendant.

EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, SS:

DEREK WONDERLAND, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigations ("FBI"), duly appointed according to law and acting as such.

For the reasons set forth below, there is probable cause that on December 11, 2021, within the Eastern District of New York and elsewhere, the defendant WILLIE JUNIOR MAXWELL II, also known as "Fetty Wap," also known as "Willie Junior Maxwell," possessed a firearm and intentionally placed another person in reasonable fear of physical injury by displaying a firearm, in violation of state law. There is also clear and convincing evidence that on December 11, 2021, within the Eastern District of New York and elsewhere, the defendant WILLIE JUNIOR MAXWELL II, also known as "Fetty Wap," also known as "Willie Junior Maxwell," did knowingly violate the conditions of his release pending trial in the case <u>United States v. Leonardi, et al.</u>, 21-CR-00452(JS)(SIL), in that the defendant

knowingly and intentionally possessed a firearm and threatened an individual, in violation of this Court's order of November 5, 2021.

(Title 18, United States Code, Section 3148(b)(1))

The source of your deponent's information and the grounds for his belief are as follows:1

A. INTRODUCTION

- 1. I have been a Special Agent with the FBI for more than nine years. I have been assigned the investigation of the defendant in the above-captioned matter. The allegations set forth below are based on my interviews of witnesses, review of documentary evidence, and from witness interviews and evidence provided to me by other special agents of the FBI, and other law enforcement agencies in the United States. As set forth more fully below, on December 11, 2021, the defendant WILLIE JUNIOR MAXWELL II, also known as "Fetty Wap," also known as "Willie Junior Maxwell," possessed a firearm and threatened an individual, in violation of state law and this Court's order that the defendant must not possess a firearm.
- 2. On September 29, 2021, a federal grand jury in the Eastern District of New York returned an indictment charging the defendant WILLIE JUNIOR MAXWELL II, also known as "Fetty Wap," also known as "Willie Junior Maxwell," with conspiracy to distribute and possess controlled substances, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 846. On October 29, 2021, the defendant was arrested arraigned on that indictment.

¹ Because the purpose of this Affidavit is to state only sufficient facts to support the motion for the issuance of an arrest warrant pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3148(b), I have not set forth herein all of the relevant facts and circumstances of which I am aware.

JUNIOR MAXWELL II, also known as "Fetty Wap," also known as "Willie Junior Maxwell," on a \$500,000 bond signed by the defendant and three other signees. (A copy of the order setting the conditions of release, dated November 5, 2021, is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.) The bond is secured by the defendant's property in Stockbridge, GA. (Id.) The Court imposed the following conditions on the defendant's pretrial release: (1) The defendant must not violate any federal, state or local law while on release, and (2) the defendant must not possess a firearm, destructive device, or other weapon. (Id.).

MAXWELL'S VIOLATIONS OF THE CONDITIONS OF RELEASE

- 4. Evidence of the defendant's violation of the conditions of his release are based upon a video-recording of a FaceTime call between the defendant and John Doe. According to John Doe, the Facetime call occurred on December 11, 2021, and in the call the defendant possessed a gun, threatened to kill him, and called an individual a "rat," despite the fact that this was a direct violation of both state law and the conditions of his release.
- 5. Specifically, on or about December 11, 2021, John Doe was on a FaceTime call with the defendant WILLIE JUNIOR MAXWELL II, also known as "Fetty Wap," also known as "Willie Junior Maxwell." The government received a video-recording of this FaceTime call. (A copy of the video recording of the FaceTime call is attached hereto as Exhibit 2). During this video, the defendant is shown holding a gun and pointing it towards John Doe. (Id.). The defendant then says to John Doe "Imma kill you and everybody you with," which he then repeats one more time. (Id.). The defendant then continues to threaten John Doe, saying "I'm gonna kill you," a threat which he repeats several more times throughout

the video call (<u>Id.</u>). Additionally, after John Doe called the defendant a rat, the defendant responded by saying, "Your man is a rat." (<u>Id.</u>) Screenshots of the defendant displaying a firearm are below:



WHEREFORE, your deponent respectfully requests that an arrest warrant be issued for the defendant WILLIE JUNIOR MAXWELL II, also known as "Fetty Wap," also known as "Willie Junior Maxwell," so that he may be dealt with according to law.

Because disclosure of the contents of this Affidavit would jeopardize an ongoing investigation and threaten the safety of witnesses, it is further requested that this Affidavit and the Arrest Warrant be filed under seal and remain under seal until further order of the Court.

Derek Wonderland Special Agent Federal Bureau of Investigation

Sworn to before me this 2nd day of August, 2022

