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AFFIDAVIT FOR SEARCH WARRANT

**STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF PASCO**

BEFORE ME, a Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit in and for Pasco County, Florida, personally appeared Detective Samantha Gutierrez of the Pasco Sheriff's Office, who by me was first duly sworn, deposes and says that she reasonably believes that in a certain single family residence, said residence being more particularly described as a light tan in color, one story residence located on the north side of the roadway, at 7149 Carmel Avenue, New Port Richey, Pasco County, Florida; said residence can be accessed by traveling southbound on Seven Springs Boulevard from SR 54 for approximately 0.3 miles and traveling westbound on Carmel Avenue for approximately 0.2 miles; said residence is under the care, custody, or control of COLLIN KNAPP; said residence is pictured below; the laws of Florida, Chapter 782.04 are being violated and/or property which constitutes evidence relevant to proving that said crime has been committed is located therein.



Your Affiant's reason for this belief is as follows:

Your Affiant has been employed by the Pasco Sheriff's Office since February 17, 2003, and has been a Major Crimes Detective since April of 2013. Your Affiant has been the lead investigator in approximately 1000 investigations with the Major Crimes division, including, but

not limited to the following types of cases: homicide, robbery, aggravated assault, aggravated battery, sexual battery, death investigation, and child abuse. Your Affiant has received over 700 hours of specialized training, to include, but not limited to: homicide investigations, death investigations, crime scene investigation, sexual crime investigations, child abuse investigations, interview and interrogations, and case preparation and courtroom presentation.

Your Affiant is assisting with a missing person investigation documented under Pasco County Sheriff's Office case number 21043088. On November 30, 2021, the Pinellas County and Pasco County Sheriff's Office initiated a missing person investigation regarding KATHLEEN MOORE (B/F; DOB: 09/01/1987). Your Affiant spoke with Detective Roger Middleton, who relayed that he learned that the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office was contacted by JAIMIE POE (W/F; DOB: 01/22/1967) on November 30, 2021, wishing to report KATHLEEN MOORE as missing. The Pinellas County Sheriff's Office generated a report (case SO21-339281) and learned that several people last saw KATHLEEN MOORE leave a home in Pinellas County with a subject named COLLIN KNAPP (W/M; DOB: 06/19/1991) on November 28, 2021, after 10:00 PM, and it was determined that COLLIN KNAPP resided at 7149 Carmel Avenue, New Port Richey, Pasco County, Florida. The Pinellas County Sheriff's Office relayed that no one had been able to contact KATHLEEN MOORE after she left Pinellas County, which was highly unusual.

Detective Middleton told your Affiant that he learned from the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office that several of KATHLEEN MOORE's friends had been trying to contact her on her known cell phone number of 727-215-7422 since the time she was last seen by them on the evening of November 28, 2021. One such friend, TINA RAMSOOMYE (W/F; DOB: 09/29/1985), called KATHLEEN MOORE's cell phone multiple times on November 30, 2021, and at one point, a male who identified himself as JOHNSON VINCENT (W/M, DOB: 08/19/1978) answered the phone and indicated he had the cell phone in his possession in Pasco

County and had found it inside a dumpster.

Your Affiant learned that Detectives Middleton and Ryan Pacheco with the Pasco Sheriff's Office located JOHNSON VINCENT in the area of Seven Springs Boulevard and SR 54, New Port Richey, Pasco County, Florida, and conducted an interview with him on November 30, 2021, at 5:00 PM. JOHNSON VINCENT indicated he is homeless and stays in a small camp behind the Walgreens located at 7420 SR 54, New Port Richey, Pasco County, Florida.

JOHNSON VINCENT said he received consent from the Walgreens management to look through their dumpster regularly for any food or discarded items of value he could use and makes a point to look in the dumpster on a daily basis. JOHNSON VINCENT stated that he was looking through the dumpster on November 30, 2021, at around 11:00 AM and found a cell phone, which was easily accessible and not hidden deep within the dumpster. JOHNSON VINCENT said the phone was powered down and he powered it on, found it to be passcode protected and noted the battery to be at 4%. JOHNSON VINCENT told the Detectives that the mobile data for the device was turned off so he turned it on, which he was able to do without the passcode. JOHNSON VINCENT advised he kept the phone in his possession and traveled along Seven Springs Boulevard, New Port Richey, Pasco County, Florida, after that time until he received a phone call from a female, who told him the phone belonged to a missing person. JOHNSON VINCENT said he then returned to the Walgreens and provided the phone to management, prior to Detectives speaking with him.

Detective Middleton told your Affiant he confirmed with Walgreens management that there were no surveillance cameras at the business which face the dumpster on the property. Detectives Middleton and Pacheco took custody of the cell phone, which was determined to belong to KATHLEEN MOORE and was described as a Motorola cell phone in a blue case.

Detective Middleton told your Affiant that he then conducted several interviews by phone

with JAIMIE POE (the initial reporting person) and CONNOR BURTON (W/M; DOB: 10/18/1993), who was KATHLEEN MOORE'S roommate in Largo, Pinellas County, Florida. During the conversation with CONNOR BURTON, CONNOR BURTON said he last had communication with KATHLEEN MOORE when he received a text message from her cell phone on November 28, 2021, at approximately 10:11 PM. CONNOR BURTON relayed to Detective Middleton that the text message indicated that KATHLEEN MOORE was "being accused of things I'm not" and mentioned that she wished she could find a nice guy to be with. CONNOR BURTON said he later sent a text message back to KATHLEEN MOORE but she did not respond back to him and they had no further communication. CONNOR BURTON told Detective Middleton that KATHLEEN MOORE regularly used her Facebook account of www.facebook.com/kathleen.moore.395 but had made no Facebook posts since November 28, 2021, which was unusual.

Your Affiant learned that Detectives Middleton and Pacheco then responded to COLLIN KNAPP's residence of 7149 Carmel Avenue, New Port Richey, Pasco County, Florida, on November 30, 2021, at approximately 6:30 PM and spoke with him in a non-custodial interview. COLLIN KNAPP stated that he spent time with KATHLEEN MOORE and several friends in Pinellas County on the evening of November 28, 2021, and returned to his residence in his 2006 black Cadillac bearing Florida tag Z917XC with KATHLEEN MOORE in his company. COLLIN KNAPP confirmed that he and KATHLEEN MOORE share a romantic relationship and they planned to stay at his residence for the night so KATHLEEN MOORE left her own vehicle at a friend's house in Pinellas County. COLLIN KNAPP told Detectives that he and KATHLEEN MOORE arrived at his residence after midnight on the morning of November 29, 2021, and once inside his home, got into an argument about what to eat. COLLIN KNAPP described that both he and KATHLEEN MOORE were intoxicated and she got upset and

indicated she wanted to leave the residence. COLLIN KNAPP told detectives that he unlocked his vehicle for KATHLEEN MOORE to retrieve her backpack at which point she left his home on foot in an unknown direction while he returned inside his residence to play Xbox video games. COLLIN KNAPP estimated this time to be between 12:30 AM and 1:00 AM. COLLIN KNAPP said he did not leave his home after that time and had no information as to KATHLEEN MOORE's whereabouts.

Detectives Middleton and Pacheco indicated that while speaking with COLLIN KNAPP inside his home, they smelled a strong odor of cleaning chemicals. COLLIN KNAPP allowed them to walk throughout the home and they saw no indication of a struggle and did not observe any cleaning items, but maintained that the strong smell was evident throughout the home. Detectives Middleton and Pacheco said they were allowed access to the entire home with the exception of two bedrooms that COLLIN KNAPP said were rented by his roommate. Detective Pacheco told your Affiant he did mention to COLLIN KNAPP that his home smelled very clean and COLLIN KNAPP replied that November 30, 2021, was a day off work for him and he spent it cleaning because his dog sheds quite a bit.

Detectives Middleton and Pacheco checked the homes along Carmel Avenue in New Port Richey, Pasco County, Florida, for surveillance footage and found two homes to the east of COLLIN KNAPP's residence that had exterior cameras – 7226 Carmel Avenue, New Port Richey, Pasco County, Florida, and 7232 Carmel Avenue, New Port Richey, Pasco County, Florida. The surveillance was reviewed and the cameras at both homes captured a black Cadillac traveling westbound on Carmel Avenue on November 29, 2021, at approximately 12:15 AM. The same black Cadillac was again seen traveling westbound on Carmel Avenue on November 29, 2021, at approximately 12:21 AM, as if it had circled the block. The black Cadillac was then seen traveling eastbound on Carmel Avenue on November 29, 2021, at approximately 1:20 AM.

The first two times would line up with COLLIN KNAPP'S statement of when he and KATHLEEN MOORE arrived at his residence; however, his vehicle seen traveling westbound on Carmel Avenue at around 1:20 AM refutes his statement that he did not leave his home after KATHLEEN MOORE left on foot.

Your Affiant learned that Detectives Timothy Harris and Todd Koenig conducted a secondary noncustodial interview with COLLIN KNAPP at his residence on November 30, 2021, at approximately 10:30 PM. COLLIN KNAPP allowed the Detectives to search his home and both of his vehicles – his Cadillac and his landscaping truck and trailer – and consented to having his cellular phone with a phone number of 727-465-8323 downloaded. COLLIN KNAPP was noted to have an abrasion to the top of one of his hands which he attributed to falling and bumping it while being upset about an NFL football game he watched on November 28, 2021. COLLIN KNAPP told Detectives Harris and Koenig that he plays online Xbox games with a male named ZACHARY LONGO (W/M; DOB: 05/21/1994) on a regular basis and played online with him on the morning of November 29, 2021, after KATHLEEN MOORE left his residence. COLLIN KNAPP also told Detectives Harris and Koenig that he did, in fact, leave his residence on November 29, 2021, around 1:15 AM to drive to his place of employment, Harold Seltzer's located at 9409 US 19, Port Richey, Pasco County, Florida, to do an inventory on their meat to determine what needed to be ordered and then returned home after completing that task.

Detectives Harris and Koenig told your Affiant some conflicting statements made by COLLIN KNAPP were concerning, including one where he claimed he was too drunk to drive KATHERINE MOORE to a McDonald's like she asked him to prior to her leaving on foot but then driving to his place of employment. In addition, COLLIN KNAPP said that KATHERINE MOORE left his home on foot but also made statements that an unknown person picked her up. COLLIN KNAPP told Detective Middleton that KATHERINE MOORE left his home wearing a

black bodysuit and black pants but told Detectives Koenig and Harris that she was wearing a blue Rugrats sweatshirt.

Your Affiant learned that on December 1, 2021, several detectives with the Pasco and Pinellas Sheriff's Offices worked to obtain surveillance footage from various locations from the time frame of when KATHLEEN MOORE was last seen in Largo to the time frame of when her cell phone was discovered in the Walgreens dumpster. Surveillance footage from the 7 Eleven located at 2411 Seven Springs Boulevard, New Port Richey, Pasco County, Florida, shows COLLIN KNAPP arriving in a Steelers NFL jersey, a pair of dark shorts, and Adidas sneakers on November 29, 2021, at approximately 12:15 AM. Surveillance footage from Harold Seltzer's restaurant, located at 9409 US 19, Port Richey, Pasco County, Florida, showed that at approximately 1:27 AM on November 29, 2021, COLLIN KNAPP arrived at the location driving his 2006 black Cadillac and parked it near a large industrial dumpster close to a side entrance of the restaurant; however, the footage was quite grainy and made it difficult to decipher specific movements. He could be seen going inside the restaurant for a period of time according to the interior surveillance cameras and ultimately leaves the restaurant at approximately 1:53 AM. In the surveillance footage, COLLIN KNAPP was noted to be wearing pants, a gray shirt, and brown work boots.

Your Affiant learned that KATHLEEN MOORE's cell phone was accessed on December 2, 2021, after friends were able to provide her passcode. Within the cell phone, Cyber Crimes Detective Benjamin Beson found a Snapchat video from November 28, 2021, at 11:02 PM showing KATHLEEN MOORE wearing a light blue Rugrats sweatshirt.

Your Affiant learned on December 2, 2021, Pasco Sheriff's Office Detective William Wood coordinated to have Waste Management transport the industrial dumpster close to Harold Seltzer's restaurant to the landfill located at 14230 Hays Road, Hudson, Pasco County, Florida.

The dumpster was determined to be a 30-yard dumpster with a compactor attached, which Waste Management confirmed hadn't been dumped since November 6, 2021. Your Affiant learned from Detective Wood that Harold Seltzer's uses this dumpster exclusively and pays for its use. Detective Wood told your Affiant that once the dumpster was emptied into piles it was noted to contain mostly clear restaurant garbage bags containing rotten food and other discarded items. In one of the piles, which was determined to be the area where more recent material was discarded, Detective Wood saw several large black garbage bags unlike the clear bags. Detective Wood said he opened several of the bags and inside found a blue comforter with a significant amount of apparent blood, a red sheet with apparent blood, a light blue RUGRATS sweatshirt, a mattress cover with a significant amount of apparent blood, a Visa credit or debit card in KATHLEEN MOORE's name, brown work boots, a gray shirt, men's pants, a black body suit, a backpack, and three different pillowcases (a leopard print pillowcase, a red pillowcase with stripes, and a black and grey patterned pillowcase), among other items. The items were collected as evidence. The RUGRATS sweatshirt is consistent with the clothing that KATHLEEN MOORE is seen wearing in the Snapchat video taken the night of her disappearance, and the black body suit and backpack are consistent with the description of clothing/items she was last seen in. The three pillowcases match pillowcases that were photographed by Forensic Investigator Danielle Marinan when searching COLLIN KNAPP'S residence on November 30, 2021.

Your Affiant learned that Detective Joshua Hanson conducted a phone interview with ZACHARY LONGO on December 2, 2021, at 5:01 PM. ZACHARY LONGO confirmed that he regularly plays online Xbox games with COLLIN KNAPP, almost on a daily basis. ZACHARY LONGO said he could not recall whether or not he and COLLIN KNAPP played on their Xbox consoles on the evening of November 28, 2021, or the morning of November 29, 2021, as he doesn't keep track of the specific dates and times of their game play.

Based on the totality of the circumstances and evidence as detailed above, your Affiant reasonably believe that KATHLEEN MOORE suffered fatal violence at the hands of COLLIN KNAPP at his residence located at 7149 Carmel Avenue, New Port Richey, and that COLLIN KNAPP subsequently disposed of KATHLEEN MOORE'S clothes and backpack along with other items from his residence that were contaminated with blood at the dumpster at his workplace. You Affiant reasonably believes that COLLIN KNAPP subsequently cleaned his residence and disposed of KATHLEEN MOORE'S cell phone at the Walgreens located in close proximity to his residence.

Your Affiant also reasonably believes that a thorough search of the residence at 7149 Carmel Avenue, New Port Richey will yield additional evidence, to include items your Affiant now knows to be relevant to the investigation such as bedding/pillowcases that match items that were located with KATHLEEN MOORE'S bloody clothes. Based on the evidence discovered since the consensual search of 7149 Carmel Avenue, your Affiant now knows potential locations of blood and/or trace biological evidence that were not searched before, such as drain catch basins and mattresses.

Your Affiant knows that Xbox is a gaming console brand developed and owned by Microsoft. Users are assigned or create a unique log-in identification number or name and Microsoft retains information such as dates and times of when specific users are using online gameplay as well as the durations of play. Your Affiant knows that information can be retrieved from an Xbox gaming console, such as the unique log-in identification number or name of the user or users who have utilized the Xbox gaming console.

Because this investigation is an active and ongoing criminal investigation, this Affidavit and Warrant would be exempt from public disclosure under Chapter 119.071, Florida Statutes, and Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.420.

In light of these statutory requirements and/or the fact that this Affidavit is made before

any docket number has been created, any case number assigned nor any case file created, these documents would constitute "administrative records" at this time and that the procedures outlined in Rule of Judicial Administration 2.420(f)(3) which appear to govern sealing of "court records" once a criminal case is docketed do not yet appear applicable and compliance would be virtually impossible and/or defeat the ends of justice.

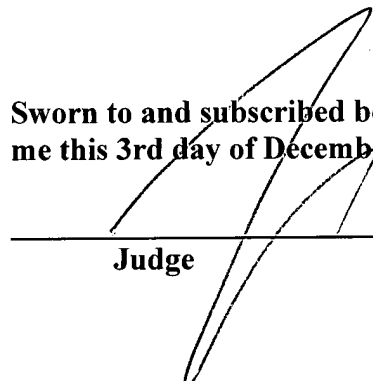
Therefore, and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 119.071 listing general exceptions from public records, I am requesting that the Affidavit and Warrant be sealed by the Court and filed sealed with the Clerk of the Court until further Order of the Court of competent jurisdiction.

Wherefore, your Affiant prays that a Search Warrant be issued according to the laws commanding the Sheriff and or Deputy Sheriffs of Pasco County, Florida, either in the daytime or the nighttime, and on any day of the week including Sunday, with the proper and necessary assistance, to diligently search, process, video record, and photograph, as well as utilize Human Remains Detection dogs at, the herein described residence and any curtilage thereof and any vehicles thereon, for human remains, body parts, blood, bodily fluids and other serological evidence, cellular phones or mobile devices, any Xbox gaming system and accessories, notes or receipts, any drain catch basins, garbage bags, cleaning supplies, towels, sheets and other bedding, pillowcases, including but not limited to a leopard print pillowcase, a red pillowcase with stripes, and a black and grey patterned pillowcase, so that such evidence may be procured to be used in the prosecution of such person or persons found to be involved in the illegal activity as alleged.



Affiant

Sworn to and subscribed before
me this 3rd day of December, 2021.



Judge

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