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PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT
DIVISION 28

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CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MO

BY Jeffrey C. Keal DCA

Date: 8/29/2025

Report #: 2025-53904

I, C. Stewart, a Detective with the Independence, Missouri, Police Department, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true.

1. I have probable cause to believe that on 8/28/2025, at 2311 hours, Cyvauodis Brewer, [REDACTED] committed one or more criminal offenses in Jackson County, Missouri.
2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On August 28, 2025, at approximately 2310 hours, Officer Counihan was on patrol in the area of Sterling Avenue and Lexington Avenue, Sugar Creek, Jackson County, Missouri. Officer Counihan observed a white Ford Escape traveling northbound on Sterling Avenue at a speed of approximately 40 miles per hour in a posted 25 mile per hour zone. Officer Counihan activated his emergency lights and siren in an attempt to conduct a traffic stop. The vehicle failed to yield, and a vehicle pursuit was initiated.

The occupants of the vehicle were later identified as Suspect 1 (driver) and Defendant Brewer (passenger).

During the pursuit, near the intersection of Truman Road and Northern Avenue, Officer Counihan advised that shots had been fired from the suspect vehicle toward his patrol vehicle. Additional gunfire was reported in the areas of Truman Road and Blue Ridge Boulevard, and Truman Road and Belmont Avenue. Responding officers later recovered multiple 9mm shell casings from each of these locations.

At the conclusion of the pursuit, Defendant Brewer was taken into custody after exiting the vehicle through the driver's side door. Near the vehicle, officers recovered a bag containing the following items:

- One black Smith & Wesson M&P 9mm handgun, serial number NHU0954.
- One baggie containing 0.53 grams of a white crystalline substance.
- One baggie containing 0.96 grams of a white crystalline substance.
- One baggie containing 0.55 grams of a white powder substance.

Subsequent field and laboratory testing confirmed the crystalline substances to be methamphetamine and the powder substance to be fentanyl.

An interview was conducted with Officer Counihan and Sgt. Stauch, assisting officer, who advised they were in fear for their life when the shots were being fired.

A post-Miranda interview was conducted with Defendant Brewer at the Independence Police Department. During the interview, Brewer admitted to firing the Smith & Wesson 9mm handgun from the vehicle during the pursuit, estimating that he fired three to four volleys. Brewer claimed he fired into the air; however, bullet strikes were observed on the rear of the Ford Escape. An apparent bullet defect was observed on the passenger side near the back seat window. Another apparent defect was observed just below on the side of the rear taillight.

Defendant Brewer further admitted there was an additional firearm, a .38 caliber revolver, inside the vehicle, which he claimed ownership of, though he denied it was used during the incident. Brewer also admitted the methamphetamine belonged to him. He denied ownership of the fentanyl, stating it belonged to Suspect 1.

Defendant Brewer has a prior felony record, including a conviction for forgery in Clay County Circuit Court on 1/16/2014 and tampering with a motor vehicle in Jackson County Circuit Court on 5/26/2022, prohibiting him from possessing firearms.

Defendant Brewer has demonstrated that he is a clear danger to the community. While fleeing from law enforcement, he discharged a firearm multiple times in a populated area, striking a police vehicle and placing both the pursuing officer and members of the public at risk of serious injury or death. Brewer's admitted possession of multiple firearms, coupled with his status as a convicted felon, shows a blatant disregard for the law. Additionally, his possession of methamphetamine further illustrates his involvement in dangerous criminal activity. His actions during this incident combining reckless disregard for human life, the unlawful use of firearms, and the possession of dangerous narcotics establish that he presents an ongoing threat to public safety if not detained.

Det. C. Stewart
Print Name

/S/Det. C. Stewart 1659
Signature

THE COURT FINDS PROBABLE CAUSE:

29-Aug-2025
Date

Jeffrey C. Keal
Judge