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Steven T. James Clerk of the House State House, Room 145 Boston, MA 02133

RE: Annual Report of Wiretap Interceptions

To the General Court Pursuant to G.L. c. 272, § 99R

Dear Mr. James:

Pursuant to the requirements set forth in General Laws Chapter 272, § 99R, I hereby submit this report to the General Court on behalf of the Hampden County District Attorney's Office for the calendar year of 2023.

The number of applications made for electronic surveillance warrants during 2023 totaled twenty-nine (29). The names of the applicants on each of these applications were District Attorney Anthony D. Gulluni, and Assistant District Attorney Kerry Beattie and/or Assistant District Attorney Daniel Hespeler. The Massachusetts Superior Court issued sixty-three (63) wiretap warrants for separate target lines in 2023. The effective period for these warrants (which includes renewal warrants) during 2023 were:

January 9, 2023 – February 28, 2023 (narcotics)
March 29, 2023 – June 6, 2023 (narcotics)
August 7, 2023 – December 8, 2023 (narcotics, conspiracy to commit murder)
November 13, 2023 – December 18, 2023 (narcotics)

The number of designated offenses pertaining to these wiretap applications totaled two (2). These designated offenses are defined in G.L. c. 272, §99(B)(7) as the possession or sale of any narcotic or harmful drug and conspiracy thereof; and conspiracy to commit murder.

There were twenty-six (26) renewals for a warrant pertaining to the narcotics designated offenses in 2023.

The total number of interceptions made during the 2023 calendar year in connection with the narcotics designated offenses totaled three hundred nine seven hundred eighty (309,780).

Eighty-one (81) indictments were obtained because of wiretaps issued in 2023 related to designated offenses. There were an additional thirteen (13) indictments for non-designated offense obtained because of wiretaps issued in 2023.

There were no criminal trials in which wiretap interception evidence or evidence derived therefrom was introduced in 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,

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