UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CRIMINAL NO. 21-187

SECTION: "G"

v. *

JAVONTE RICHARD

FACTUAL BASIS

Defendant, JAVONTE RICHARD ("RICHARD") has agreed to plead guilty to the indictment, charging her with one count of theft of mail by a postal employee, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1709. Should this matter have gone to trial, the Government would have proven, beyond a reasonable doubt, through the introduction of relevant, competent, and admissible testimonial, physical and demonstrative evidence, the following facts to support the allegations against defendant.

At all times material herein, the defendant, **RICHARD**, was employed by the United States

Postal Service as a letter carrier working at the Johnson Street Post Office in Metairie, Louisiana,

which is located in the Eastern District of Louisiana.

The Government would establish that the case against the defendant, **RICHARD**, began on October 30, 2019 as a result of complaints received by the U.S. Postal Service, Office of Inspector General ("USPS-OIG") concerning missing parcels received by the Johnson Post Office, that were to be delivered by **RICHARD**. On November 14, 2019, USPS-OIG Special Agents placed a package in the mail to be processed and delivered by **RICHARD** while on her route. The item was a Priority Mail package addressed to a fictitious person and address:

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approximately 7:06 AM, RICHARD reported to work at the Johnson Street Post Office. Agents

monitored Richard as she delivered her route. At approximately 6:26 PM, RICHARD opened the

package. Shortly after, USPS-OIG Special Agents stopped RICHARD while she was seated in

her Long Life Vehicle (LLV) in the 4200 block of Belvedere in Metairie. Upon stopping

RICHARD, they observed RICHARD re-taping the package. Agents identified themselves to

RICHARD and she was verbally advised of her Miranda rights. RICHARD admitted to opening

the package. RICHARD then accompanied the agents to the Johnson Street Post Office to be

interviewed. Prior to questioning, RICHARD was again advised of her Miranda rights via Office

of Inspector General (OIG) form "Miranda Rights." RICHARD acknowledged she understood her

rights and signed the form. RICHARD admitted that said she knew it was wrong to remove

packages from the mail.

Both the Government and the defendant, RICHARD, do hereby stipulate and agree that

the above facts set forth a sufficient factual basis for the crime to which the defendant is pleading

guilty and that the Government would have proven these facts beyond a reasonable doubt at trial.

JONM. MAESTRI

4-14-22 Date

Assistant United States Attorney

JA**V**ONTE RICHARD

Date

Defendant

DENNIS MOORE

Date

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