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F. #2019V02754

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

– against –

THE REAL PROPERTY AND PREMISES  
KNOWN AS: DEED NO. 18,877; CALLE PASEO  
DE LOS VIRREYES, 4283, LOT 21, MZA 41,  
FRACCIONAMIENTO VILLA UNIVERSITARIA,  
ZAPOPAN, JALISCO, MEXICO; CLAVE  
CATASTRAL: 12014H223400370000, HELD IN  
THE NAME OF HECTOR RAFAEL CARO  
ELENES, WITH A USUFRUCT GRANTED FOR  
LIFE TO RAFAEL CARO QUINTERO AND  
ELIZABETH ELENES DE CARO, et al.,

Defendants In Rem.

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**DEFAULT JUDGMENT AND  
PARTIAL DECREE OF  
FORFEITURE**

Civil Action No. 19-5748 (ENV)

WHEREAS, on or about October 11, 2019, the United States of America  
("United States") filed a Verified Complaint in rem (the "Verified Complaint") against eight  
real properties located in Mexico in the above captioned matter, which included the  
following five properties:

- (i) The real property and premises known as: Deed No. 18,877; Calle Paseo de los Virreyes, 4283, Lot 21, Mza 41, Fraccionamiento Villa Universitaria, Zapopan, Jalisco, Mexico; Clave Catastral: 12014H223400370000, held in the name of Hector Rafael Caro Elenes, with a usufruct granted for life to Rafael Caro Quintero and Elizabeth Elenes de Caro;
- (ii) The real property and premises known as: Deed No. 9859. Avenida Melchor Ocampo, 468 Bodega (Local) 21, Fraccionamiento Mercado de Abastos Norte, Mercado el Campesino, 59, 21, 45140, Zapopan,

Jalisco, Mexico; Clave Catastral: 12014I005900290000, held in the names of Hector Rafael, Roxana Elizabeth, Henoch Emilio and Mario Yibrán, all with the surnames Caro Elenes, with a usufruct granted for life to Rafael Caro Quintero and Elizabeth Elenes de Caro;

- (iii) The real property and premises known as: Deed No. 8527; Calle Sagitario 5289-8, Condominio Sagitario, Fraccionamiento Residencial Arboldeas, Zapopan, Jalisco, Mexico; Clave Catastral: 12014H332600170008, held in the name of Roxana Elizabeth Caro Elenes;
- (iv) The real property and premises known as: Deed No 8527; Calle Sagitaro 5289-9, Condominio Sagitario, Fraccionamiento Residencial Arboldeas, Zapopan, Jalisco, Mexico; Clave Catastral: 12014H332600170009, held in the name of Roxana Elizabeth Caro Elenes; and
- (v) The real property and premises known as: Deed No. 8187; Calle Luigi Pirandello 5397, Lote 29B, Mza 145, Fraccionamiento Vallarta Univerisdad, Zapopan, Jalisco, Mexico; Clave Catastral: 12014H114500370000, held in the name of Roxana Elizabeth Caro Elenes

(Items (i) through (v), collectively, the “Defendant Real Properties”);

WHEREAS, on October 11, 2019, this Court found, based on the Verified Complaint, there was probable cause to believe that the Defendant Real Properties were subject to forfeiture, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 21 U.S.C. § 881(a)(6), and that the grounds for the issuance of the Court’s findings of probable cause existed pursuant to Rule G(3) of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions (the “Supplemental Rules”);

WHEREAS, notice of this action was published on an official internet government forfeiture website, [www.forfeiture.gov](http://www.forfeiture.gov), for at least thirty (30) consecutive days, beginning on October 24, 2019 and ending on November 22, 2019, in accordance with Supplemental Rule G(4)(a)(iv)(C);

WHEREAS, on or about November 25, 2020, notice of the Verified Complaint was posted on the Defendant Real Properties, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 985(c)(1)(B);

WHEREAS, the government served direct notice of forfeiture to all known potential claimants, in accordance with Supplemental Rule G(4)(b)(i); and

WHEREAS, on or about March 17, 2021, the Clerk of Court issued a Certificate of Partial Default stating that no person has filed a claim or answer or otherwise moved with respect to the Defendant Real Properties;

UPON the Declaration of Brendan G. King, Assistant United States Attorney, dated April 1, 2021, the Certificate of Partial Default, a copy of the Verified Complaint to which no response has been made, and all papers filed and proceedings had herein;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED as follows:

1. Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 55 and Local Civil R. 55.2(b), the Defendant Real Properties are hereby forfeited and condemned to the use and benefit of the United States for the reasons set forth in the Verified Complaint.
2. All persons or entities known or thought to have an interest in, or claim to the Defendant Real Properties having been given due notice of these proceedings, and none of those persons or entities having filed a claim, answer, or other response to the Verified Complaint of any kind, the default of all persons having any interest in the Defendant Real Properties is hereby noted.
3. The United States Drug Enforcement Administration, United States Marshals Service and any other duly authorized law enforcement officer and/or government

contractors shall dispose of the Defendant Real Properties in accordance with all applicable law and regulations.

4. This Court shall retain jurisdiction over this action to enforce this Default Judgment and Partial Decree of Forfeiture.

5. The Clerk of this Court shall forward eight (8) certified copies of this Partial Default Judgment and Partial Decree of Forfeiture to the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York, Attention: AUSA Brendan G. King, 271-A Cadman Plaza East, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Brooklyn, New York 11201.

Dated: Brooklyn, New York

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April 15, 2021

  
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HONORABLE ERIC N. VITALIANO  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK