

## **DECLARATION OF AMMON BUNDY**

I, Ammon Bundy, declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of the State of Idaho as follows:

1. My name is Ammon Bundy. I am over the age of 18 and competent to testify to the matters stated herein. I am a named Defendant in the above-captioned case.
2. I submit this Declaration in support of a Motion for Relief from Judgment (or any other relevant or applicable Motion) filed by Diego Rodriguez. The facts contained herein are based on my personal knowledge unless otherwise indicated.

### **BACKGROUND ON THE VIDEO**

3. In early April 2022, I recorded a public video address in response to the State of Idaho's involvement in the removal of Baby Cyrus from his family and the role of St. Luke's Health System in that process.
4. The purpose of the video was to inform the public, express concern over the actions of St. Luke's and CPS, and to call for peaceful, lawful action to demand accountability. I specifically stated in the video that I did not want anyone to threaten, or go after any staff or personnel at St. Luke's.
5. I emphasized in the original video that we should allow the perpetrators a chance to do the right thing, and that I had personally told other activist groups to stand down and not take matters into their own hands at that time.

### **DISCOVERY OF THE ALTERED VIDEO**

6. In May 2025, I reviewed an official transcript and courtroom audio recording from the jury trial in this case. During my review, I identified a video that had been submitted into evidence by Plaintiffs' counsel and shown to the jury.
7. Upon watching that video, I immediately recognized that it had been altered. The version presented in court had been edited to remove portions of my original statement and splice together two separate sections of the video in a way that changed the meaning of what I said.
8. Specifically, the edited version removed my clear disclaimers rejecting violence and calling for peaceful action, and instead made it appear as though I was endorsing threats or pressure by so-called "patriot groups." The edit created a false narrative and portrayed me as dangerous or threatening, which I absolutely was not.

9. I verified this manipulation by comparing the video used in court to the original, full-length recording that I published in April 2022. The alteration is clear and deliberate.

### TRANSCRIPT COMPARISON SUMMARY

10. Below is a comparison of the relevant portion of the video as it was originally recorded versus the version that was edited and shown to the jury:

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Original (Unedited) Statement:  
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*“I have to say that I’m not okay with any of this. To be honest with you, if justice was to be served, we would go into the hospital, take that baby, and we’d give it back to their mother. And then if we were further to administrate justice, we would find those that are accountable and we would uh prosecute them, and uh, and uh, you know, make them uh, pay, for the damages that they caused to this family and assure that this never happens again.*

*That’s what should happen. And uh, I will say this, that I’m not alone in those feelings, but uh we also have had to suppress those uh those thoughts and actions uh because we are trying to give the people that are uh, making the decisions that are doing this thing to them—give them a chance to correct this issue so that we don’t have to do it for them.”*

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Edited Version Shown to Jury:  
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*“...if justice was to be served, we would go into the hospital, take that baby, and we’d give it back to their mother. And then if we were further to administrate justice, we would find those that are accountable and we would uh prosecute them, and uh, and uh, you know, make them uh, pay, I know that there are groups, uh patriot groups, that have wanted to come. And uh, and just do what needs to be done...”*

11. The first part of my statement — and where I directly urged groups to stand down and refrain from any unlawful action — was completely removed. Then, a sentence from a different part of the video was spliced in to make it appear as if I was aligning with those groups or encouraging action, which I was not.

12. This edit reversed the meaning of my message and misled the jury about my intentions. It portrayed me as threatening or dangerous when I was actually doing the opposite — urging peace and restraint.

### **HARM AND PERJURY DECLARATION**

13. The use of this doctored video in court was a deliberate attempt to deceive the jury and portray me—and by association, Diego Rodriguez—as dangerous, threatening, and extreme. The Plaintiffs' counsel knew I was not present at trial and could not correct the record. This misconduct prejudiced the jury and contributed to an unjust and extreme judgment.

14. I affirm that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of the State of Idaho that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED this 9th day of June, 2025.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "A. Bundy", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ammon Bundy