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**IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
UTAH COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH**

<p>STATE OF UTAH,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Plaintiff,</p> <p>vs.</p> <p>PETERSON DREW MATHESON 446 E GILBERT PEAK WAY Eagle Mountain, UT 84005 DOB: 4/27/1993 SID: 1467776</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Defendant.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">AMENDED INFORMATION</p> <p>Case No. 231402248</p> <p>Judge Robert A. Lund</p> <p>OTN: 64149941</p> <p>Bail:</p>
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The State of Utah, by and through the Utah County Attorney's Office, charges the defendant with the commission of the following offense(s):

COUNT 1: MANSLAUGHTER, Second Degree Felony, in violation of Utah Code Ann. § 76-5-205, in that on or about 6/4/2023, in Utah County, the defendant, PETERSON DREW MATHESON, did (a) recklessly cause the death of another individual, to wit: Defendant crossed into oncoming traffic and caused the death of R.S.

COUNT 2: MANSLAUGHTER, Second Degree Felony, in violation of Utah Code Ann. § 76-5-205, in that on or about 6/4/2023, in Utah County, the defendant, PETERSON DREW MATHESON, did (a) recklessly cause the death of another individual, to wit: Defendant crossed into oncoming traffic and caused the death of M.H.

COUNT 3: NEGLIGENTLY OPERATING A VEHICLE RESULTING IN DEATH, Second Degree Felony, in violation of Utah Code Ann. § 76-5-207, in that on or about 6/4/2023,

in Utah County, the defendant, PETERSON DREW MATHESON, did operate a motor vehicle in a criminally negligent manner causing the death of another individual, and had in his body a measurable amount of a controlled substance, to wit: Defendant crossed into oncoming traffic and caused the death of R.S. and had a measurable amount of THC in his body.

COUNT 4: NEGLIGENTLY OPERATING A VEHICLE RESULTING IN DEATH, Second Degree Felony, in violation of Utah Code Ann. § 76-5-207, in that on or about 6/4/2023, in Utah County, the defendant, PETERSON DREW MATHESON, did operate a motor vehicle in a criminally negligent manner causing the death of another individual, to wit: Defendant crossed into oncoming traffic and caused the death of M.H. and had a measurable amount of THC in his body.

COUNT 5: RECKLESS DRIVING, Class B Misdemeanor, in violation of Utah Code Ann. § 41-6a-528, in that on or about 6/4/2023, in Utah County, the defendant, PETERSON DREW MATHESON, did operate a vehicle

- (1) in willful or wanton disregard for the safety of persons or property; or
- (2) (a) traveling on a highway at a speed of 105 miles per hour or greater; or
- (b) while committing three or more traffic violations under Utah Code Title 41, Chapter 6a, Traffic Code, in a series of acts occurring within a single continuous period of driving covering three miles or less in total distance.

COUNT 6: FOLLOWING TOO CLOSE, Infraction, in violation of Utah Code Ann. § 41-6a-711, in that on or about 6/4/2023, in Utah County, the defendant, PETERSON DREW MATHESON, did , (1) while operating a vehicle,

- (a) follow another vehicle more closely than was reasonable and prudent, having regard for the:
 - (i) the speed of the vehicles;
 - (ii) traffic upon the highway; and
 - (iii) condition of the highway; and
- (b) fail to follow at a distance so that at least two seconds elapsed before reaching the location of the vehicle directly in front of the defendant's vehicle.

COUNT 7: FAILURE TO STAY IN ONE LANE, Infraction, in violation of Utah Code Ann. § 41-6a-710(1), in that on or about 6/4/2023, in Utah County, the defendant, PETERSON DREW MATHESON, did , (1)(a) while operating a vehicle on a roadway divided into two or more clearly marked lanes for traffic,

- (i) fail to keep the vehicle as nearly as practical entirely within a single lane; or
- (ii) move the vehicle from the lane before the operator had reasonably determined it was safe to do so.

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT: Lesa Carson of the Utah County Sheriff's Office, having probable cause to believe that the defendant committed the above-listed offense(s), submitted the following evidence in support of the filing of this Information:

On June 4, 2023 at approximately 12:30 pm in Eagle Mountain, Utah, officers were dispatched to a report of a traffic collision. Officers found three vehicles involved in the incident; a white 2016 Ford F-150 pickup truck (“the white truck”), a 1987 Porsche 911 Carrera (“the Porsche”), and a white 2014 Nissan Maxima (“the Maxima”). Defendant was the driver of the white truck. Defendant was traveling eastbound on SR-73 when he crossed into incoming traffic and struck the Porsche head on. The adult male driver and the adult female passenger of the Porsche were pronounced deceased at the scene. The front end of the Porsche was completely destroyed and had serious damage up into the passenger compartment. Defendant was transported to the hospital due to injuries sustained in the crash. The driver of the Maxima did not sustain significant injuries. A fourth vehicle was damaged when it struck debris from the crash.

Several witnesses reported that Defendant and the driver of the Maxima had been involved in what appeared to be a road rage incident shortly before the collision. One witness, who was driving immediately in front of Defendant and the Maxima eastbound on SR-73, reported that he had stopped at the intersection of SR-73 and Eagle Mountain Blvd., and that the white truck and the Maxima were directly behind him at the stop sign. The witness reported that after making the eastbound turn on SR-73 from Eagle Mountain Blvd., the Maxima turned into the merge lane and the white truck turned directly into the regular travel lane in what appeared to be an attempt to pass the Maxima. The road has a short merge lane and then is a single lane in each direction in this area. The witness reported that the Maxima sped up and began to merge out into the roadway, preventing the white truck from passing him on the left. The witness reported that after the Maxima merged into the regular lane of travel, the white truck swerved over to the right of the Maxima, driving on the shoulder of the road in what appeared to be an attempt to pass the Maxima on the right. The witness estimated the initial speed at 65-70 miles per hour. The witness stated that he and his wife were both concerned because of how close both the Maxima and the white truck were to the witness’ vehicle.

Dash cam footage from a passing motorist shows the Maxima travelling in the eastbound travel lane. The white truck is travelling in the same direction, parallel to the Maxima but is off the roadway on the right shoulder of the highway. It appears that the rear driver’s side tire of the white truck is by the passenger side door of the Maxima and that the white truck is attempting to pass the Maxima on the right. The driver’s side tires of the white truck are completely off the roadway to the right of the fog line. Both the Maxima and the white truck appear to be travelling at a high rate of speed and are just one vehicle length behind the witness’ vehicle which is travelling in the same direction. The witness stated that the Maxima and the truck bumped into each other at least two times. The witness stated that it looked like the driver of the white truck started to lose control and swerved slightly farther out onto the shoulder. It then appeared that the driver of

the white truck over corrected to keep from crashing on the shoulder and swerved sharply behind the Maxima into oncoming traffic, where it struck the Porsche.

The driver of the Maxima reported that the white truck was tailgating the Maxima on SR-73 uncomfortably close. The driver of the Maxima stated that he tapped his brakes to show disapproval and heard a horn honk behind him. The driver of the Maxima reported that the white truck pulled up to drive on the shoulder of the road next to the Maxima. The driver of the Maxima estimated that the white truck was travelling 60-65 miles per hour. The driver of the Maxima stated that he saw the white truck speed up so the driver of the Maxima “closed the distance” with the vehicle in front of him to “about a Suburban’s length.” The driver of the Maxima stated that the white truck moved left into the Maxima’s lane and the driver’s side of the truck struck the passenger side of the Maxima. The driver of the Maxima stated that he slowed and the white truck spun to the left in front of the Maxima and into the westbound lanes where the white truck struck the Porsche. Deputies saw paint transfer and a large amount of black tire marks on the passenger side of the Maxima and driver’s side of the white truck, consistent with the Maxima driver’s statement. Other witnesses stated that it appeared that the white truck was trying to make a left hand turn when it crossed into oncoming traffic.

Defendant’s car was searched and officers found a gun in the center console.

On July 6, 2023, a forensic toxicology final report shows that the driver of the white truck, Peterson Drew Matheson, had a measurable amount of THC and the primary metabolite of THC in his body at the time of the traffic collision.

Based upon evidence received from Lesa Carson of the Utah County Sheriff’s Office, I have reason to believe the defendant committed the offense(s) as charged herein.

Authorized for presentment and filing this August 25, 2023.

UTAH COUNTY ATTORNEY’S OFFICE

Sworn to by:

/s/ Rachelle Shumway

RACHELLE SHUMWAY
Deputy Utah County Attorney