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1. The following facts are within my personal knowledge and, if called as a witness

herein, I can and will competently testify thereto.

I, Emese Balog, declare as follows:

2. I met Brian Warner p/k/a Marilyn Manson online in approximately 2010. I was a fan of Manson's living in Hungary at the time.

- 3. In January 2011, I spent three days and two nights in the company of Marilyn Manson while he was visiting Vienna for an art exhibition. During that trip, I communicated with Manson's personal assistant Ashley Walters who was traveling with Manson and coordinated our meeting. When I arrived at their hotel in Vienna, she met me in the lobby and introduced me to Manson. When Manson was at the hotel, I stayed with him in his room, and when he was out, I stayed in Walters' room. I have not seen Manson or Walters since that weekend in January 2011.
- 4. On October 15, 2020 and January 22, 2021, I received emails from Illma Gore ("illma@phoenixact.com") sent through my website. A true and correct copy of those emails are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. The messages from Gore said in part, "I know this is a strange way to reach out but my name is Illma, I work with the Phoenix Act alongside Evan Rachel Wood. We were organizing a group of people to meet up in Los Angeles and Zoom/Skype in to talk about experiences they had that might be similar to yours."
- 5. In approximately February to May 2021, I became aware through media coverage that lawsuits had been filed against Manson, including by Walters.
- 6. I reviewed Walters' complaint at the time, in which Walters states that she "witnessed Defendant's constant degradation of female fans," citing one example, the January 2011 trip to Vienna. I reviewed her further statement that, "While in Vienna, Defendant met with a young girl. After inviting her to his hotel room, he bragged about having sex with her. He also texted Walters from his hotel room saying he took the girl's virginity."
- 7. Walter's description of my time with Manson and Walters in Vienna is false. I was not degraded, humiliated, or abused by him. And while I did have sexual intercourse, for the first

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time, with Manson, I consented to and enjoyed everything that happened between us that weekend. I was also not a "young girl" at the time. I was 19-year-old woman.

8. I was deeply disturbed by Walter's filing and Gore's emails. Not only had my story been taken and mispresented by Walters without my knowledge or consent, but also I was being recruited by Gore, as a supposed victim of Warner, to join "a group of people... to talk about experiences they had that might be similar to" mine. All of this was false, as I was not victim of Manson. I did not attend any "groups" organized by Gore or Wood.

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

Executed on this the day of July, 2022, at England, United Kingdom.

Emese Balog

EXHIBIT A

Evan Rachel Wood / Phoenix Act Inbox x

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Thu, Oct 15, 2020, 3:57 AM 🌟 🤸



Illma Gore <illma@phoenixact.com>

Hey!

I know this is a strange way to reach out but my name is Illma, I work with the Phoenix Act I run it alongside Evan Rachel Wood.

We were organizing a group of people to meet up in Los Angeles and Zoom/Skype in to talk about experiences they had that might be similar to yours.

I'm not sure that you would be interested in participating - you aren't obligated to speak but if you wanted to listen in that would be fine.

It's a small group and you are personally invited. If you wanted to know more first. I would be happy to jump on the phone or email more details.

Best,

Sent from my iPhone

Illma Gore <mail@gretaaurora.com>

Hi Greta,

I am close with Evan Rachel Wood, I want to reach out and speak to you on the phone on behalf of The Phoenix Act and very important information if anything just to listen.

Fri, Jan 22, 9:37 PM 🕁 🐛



Illma Gore <mail@gretaaurora.com>

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to me 🕶 Hi Gre I am c Best, Illma

from: Illma Gore <mail@gretaaurora.com> reply-to: Illma Gore <Illma@phoenixact.com> to: gretaaurorahadesz@gmail.com

date: Jan 22, 2021, 9:37 PM

subject: New Message From Greta Aurora

signed-by: gretaaurora.com

security:

Standard encryption (TLS) <u>Learn more</u>

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