**MERCER ISLAND MUNICIPAL COURT**

**KING COUNTY, STATE OF WASHINGTON**

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| **\_\_\_ CITY OF MERCER ISLAND**  **\_\_\_ CITY OF NEWCASTLE**  **Plaintiff,** | **Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Petition for Deferred Prosecution (DPPF)** |
| vs.  **Defendant,** | **Charges: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Violation Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |

I amthe defendant in this case and I petition the court for deferred prosecution under RCW Chapter 10.05. I make the following statement in support of my petition:

1. The wrongful conduct charged is the result of or caused by [ ] ***Alcoholism*** [ ] ***Drug Addiction***   
[ ] ***Domestic Violence Behavior Problems*** [ ] ***Mental Problems***, for which I need treatment.

2. Unless I receive treatment for my problem, the probability is great that I will offend again.

3. I agree to pay the cost of diagnosis and treatment, if I am financially able to do so, subject to   
RCW 10.05.130.

4. I understand that the court will not accept a petition for deferred prosecution from a person who sincerely believes that he or she is innocent of the crime(s) charged or does not suffer from alcoholism, drug addiction, domestic violence problems or mental problems.

5. If this charge is a violation of Title 46 or similar municipal ordinance, I have not previously been placed on a deferred prosecution for a Title 46 or similar municipal ordinance violation.

6. I have filed a case history and assessment with this petition as required by RCW 10.05.020.

7. I have the following rights: (a) to have a lawyer represent me at all hearings; (b) to have a lawyer appointed at public expense if I cannot afford one; (c) to have a speedy, public jury trial; (d) to appeal any conviction; (e) to remain silent and not testify; (f) to question witnesses who testify against me; (g) to call witnesses to testify for me, at no cost; (h) to be presumed innocent unless the charge(s) against me is (are) proved beyond a reasonable doubt; and (i) to present evidence and a defense. By deferring prosecution on these charges, I give up my right to: (a) a speedy trial; (b) a jury; (c) testimony on my own behalf; an opportunity to (d) call and (e) question witnesses; and

(f) present evidence or a defense.

8. I agree that the facts as reported in the attached police reports are admissible evidence and are sufficient to support a conviction. I acknowledge that the above items will be used to support a finding of guilty if the deferred prosecution is revoked.

9. If my deferred prosecution is revoked and I am found guilty, I may be sentenced up to the maximum penalty allowed by law.

10. If I proceed to trial and I am found guilty, I may be allowed to seek suspension of some or all fines and incarceration if I seek treatment. I understand that I may seek treatment from a public or private agency at any time, whether or not I have been found guilty or placed on deferred prosecution.

11. For some crimes, a deferred prosecution will enhance mandatory penalties for subsequent offenses committed within a seven-year period. I understand that a deferred prosecution will be a prior offense under RCW 46.61.5055 (driving under the influence, physical control of a vehicle under the influence, negligent driving if originally charged as driving under the influence or physical control of a vehicle under the influence, vehicular homicide, or vehicular assault).

12. If the court defers prosecution on any crime that would be a violation of state law or local ordinance relating to motor vehicle traffic control, I will be disqualified from driving a commercial motor vehicle for the period specified in RCW 46.25.090 and, if I drive a commercial motor vehicle holding a license issued by Washington State, I will be required to notify the Department of Licensing and my employer of this deferred prosecution within 30 days of the judge granting this petition.   
RCW 46.25.030. If the court grants this Petition, I may not operate a motor vehicle on the public highways without a valid operator’s license and proof of liability insurance pursuant to RCW 46.29.490. If my wrongful conduct is the result of or caused by alcohol dependency, I shall also be required to apply for an ignition interlock driver’s license and to install an ignition interlock device under RCW 46.20.720(2) and RCW 46.20.385. The required periods of use of the interlock shall be not less than the periods provided for in RCW 46.20.720(3). I may also be required to pay restitution to victims, pay court costs, and pay probation costs authorized by law. To help ensure continued sobriety and reduce the likelihood of reoffending, the court may order reasonable conditions during the period of the deferred prosecution including, but not limited to, attendance at self-help recovery support groups for alcoholism or drugs, complete abstinence from alcohol and all nonprescribed mind-altering drugs, periodic urinalysis or breath analysis, and maintaining law-abiding behavior. Alcoholism programs shall require a minimum of two self-help recovery groups per week for the duration of the treatment program. The court may terminate the deferred prosecution program if I violate this paragraph.

13. If the court grants this petition, during the period of deferred prosecution I will be required to contact my probation officer, the probation director or designee, or the court if there is no probation department, to request permission to travel or transfer to another state if my wrongful conduct involves: (i) an offense in which a person has incurred direct or threatened physical or psychological harm; (ii) an offense that involves the use or possession of a firearm; (iii) a second or subsequent misdemeanor offense of driving while impaired by drugs or alcohol; (iv) a sexual offense that requires me to register as a sex offender in Washington state. I understand that I will be required to pay an application fee with my travel or transfer request.

14. If I fail or neglect to comply with any part of my treatment plan or with any ignition interlock driver’s license or ignition interlock device requirements, then the court shall either order me to comply with the term or condition or be removed from deferred prosecution (RCW 10.05.090). After the hearing, the court will either order that I continue with treatment or be removed from deferred prosecution and enter judgment. If I am convicted of a similar offense during the deferred prosecution, the court will revoke the deferred prosecution and enter judgment.

15. The court will dismiss the charge(s) against me in this case three years from the end of the two-year treatment program and following proof to the court that I have complied with the conditions imposed by the court following successful completion of the two-year treatment program, but no less than five years from the date the deferred prosecution is granted, if the court grants this petition and if I fully comply with all the terms of the court order placing me on deferred prosecution.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that I have read the foregoing and agree with all of its provisions and that all statements made are true and correct.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Washington this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_.

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