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**THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
KING COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EXECUTIVE SERVICES INQUEST PROGRAM**

IN RE: THE INQUEST INTO THE
DEATH OF DAMARIUS BUTTS

NO. 517IQ8013

DECLARATION OF LA ROND BAKER
IN SUPPORT OF THE
THE FAMILY’S REPLY ON ITS
MOTION TO COMPEL

I, La Rond Baker, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am an attorney for the King County Department of Public Defense, represent that family of Damarius Butts in this inquest, and have personal knowledge of the following:
2. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a true and correct copy of an email communication from Ghazal Shariffi, counsel for the Seattle Police Department (SPD) informing the parties that SPD chose not to submit its own response to the Family’s Motion to Compel but instead joined the Involved Officers’ briefing.

1 3. Attached hereto as Exhibit B are true and correct copies of email communications from
2 Ghazal Shariffi informing the parties that no SPD officer will “voluntarily” provide pre-
3 inquest hearing testimony.

4 4. Attached hereto as Exhibit C is the Final Bill Report for SB 5300.

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6 I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF
7 WASHINGTON THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

8 DATED this 29th day of October, 2019 in Seattle, King County, Washington.

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10 */s La Rond Baker*

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