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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY
STATE OF MISSOURI

-VS-

SHAYKALA WATSON
[redacted]

RACE: Black
SEX: Female
DOB: [redacted]
HGT: 5'06
WGT: 155
P.D.: St. Louis County
ORI Number:
MO0950000

SSN: [redacted]
OCN: NO OCN
CASE ID: 189490839
RPT NO: 26-12217
CT. NO: 26SL-CR05433

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Defendant

Bond $500,000
See warrant attachment

CHARGES

Count: 01 ABUSE OR NEGLECT OF A CHILD - RESULTING IN DEATH UNDER SEC. 568.060.5(2) - NO SEXUAL CONTACT - CLASS A FELONY

COMPLAINT

(HOLD FOR GRAND JURY)

State of Missouri)
County of St. Louis) SS

Comes now the State of Missouri by and through the undersigned Assistant Prosecuting Attorney on information and belief that there is probable cause to believe that the above-named defendant committed the following crime(s):

COUNT: 01 ABUSE OR NEGLECT OF A CHILD - RESULTING IN DEATH UNDER SEC. 568.060.5(2) - NO SEXUAL CONTACT - CLASS A FELONY

That Shaykala Watson, in violation of 1. ABUSE OR NEGLECT (PHYSICAL OR MENTAL INJURY)
Section 568.060, RSMo, committed the class A felony of abuse of a child, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.011 and 558.002, RSMo, in that on or about April 8, 2026, in the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, the defendant was eighteen years of age or older and knowingly caused the Confidential Victim, a child less than eighteen years of age, to suffer physical injury as a result of abuse by pressing into the abdomen of Confidential Victim with extreme force, and the injury inflicted was serious physical injury on Confidential Victim, and Confidential Victim died as a result of injuries sustained from this conduct.

568.060-001Y20203899.0

The undersigned Prosecutor informs the Court on information and belief that the above offense(s) herein charged were committed.

Steven Ebert II 71875

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MBE: 71875
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

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I, Joseph Percich, DSN 3661, St. Louis County Police Department, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true and documented in report number 26-12217. I have probable cause to believe that on April 8, 2026, within St. Louis County, Shaykala Watson, Black, Female, 5'06", 155lbs, committed one or more criminal offense(s).

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The facts supporting this belief are as follows: On or About April 8, 2026, officers responded to St. Louis Children's Hospital for an investigation into injuries suffered by Confidential Victim, a child less than one year of age. Officers and paramedics responded to Defendant's house, in St. Louis County, where they found Confidential Victim to be suffering from injuries. EMS brought the victim to Children's Hospital where Doctors attempted to save the life of the victim, but were unsuccessful. Upon Interview, Defendant admitted to being at her St. Louis County residence alone with the victim, placing the victim on the floor of the kitchen, and pressing down onto the victim's torso with extreme force. Medical and Autopsy records show that the victim died as a result of blunt force trauma to the chest and abdomen, and noted that the victim suffered fractured ribs, lacerations of internal organs, and an atrial contusion. Defendant was the mother of Confidential Victim.

I believe that the defendant will not appear in court in response to a criminal summons because I believe that the defendant poses a danger to the community or to any other person because of the nature of these charges and the fact that the victim was a minor.

Joseph Percich, DSN 3661, St. Louis County Police Department

[Signature] /s/ _____ Date: 08/13/2026

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