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10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

11 FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

12 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

13 Plaintiff,

14 v.

15 ANTHONY SCOTT LLOYD,

16 Defendant.
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No. CR 17-00720-SVW

GOVERNMENT'S FILING OF VICTIM
IMPACT STATEMENT RE: SENTENCING OF
DEFENDANT ANTHONY SCOTT LLOYD

Hearing Date: July 16, 2018

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Place: Courtroom of the
Hon. Stephen V.
Wilson

20 Plaintiff United States of America, by and through its counsel
21 of record, the Acting United States Attorney for the Central District
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1 of California, hereby files the attached victim impact statement
2 regarding the sentencing of defendant ANTHONY SCOTT LLOYD.

3 Dated: July 2, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

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April 23, 2018

The Honorable Stephen V. Wilson
United States District Judge
Central District of California
350 W. 1st Street
Courtroom 10A
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Anthony Scott Lloyd's Sentencing

Dear Judge Wilson:

I write to convey my very serious concerns regarding Anthony Scott Lloyd and the threat that was made on my life on account of my high profile opposition to President Donald Trump. While I appreciate that Mr. Lloyd pleaded guilty and expressed remorse over the incident, I am concerned that if the Court were to show Mr. Lloyd leniency and order probation, it would only embolden others to engage in similar conduct. Given the political climate of our country in which passions are inflamed across the political spectrum, I believe we must have effective deterrents within the legal system to discourage threats of violence and intimidation against elected officials.

Mr. Lloyd acknowledged that, as a "pro-president supporter," his animosity towards me was fueled by a radio program discussing public comments I made about the President last year. The language he used in his voice message was chilling, and demonstrated an utter disregard for law enforcement, and basic decency, with the use of homophobic slurs and racial epithets. Mr. Lloyd's words are revealing: **"What you said at your little faggot conference, if you continue to make these threats towards the President, you're going to wind up dead, Maxine, because we will kill you...You can call the FBI, you can call the NSA, you can call whoever the fuck you want and report this and try to get a surge or some kind of fucking phone number. Bitch, you do it again, you're dead. You're a fucking dead ass nigger."**

The remorse Mr. Lloyd expresses today, upon being caught, should not detract from the very real contempt he appears to have towards me, the LGBTQ community, women, and African Americans. In fact, had Mr. Lloyd attempted to assassinate me, it may very well have been investigated as a hate crime among other applicable statutes. Based on Mr. Lloyd's views and conduct, I do not believe probation would, in any way, further the purpose of rehabilitating Mr. Lloyd, and probation may endanger the community. In fact, he is more likely to become revered

among some segments of our society for having threatened a Member of Congress without any real consequences for his actions.

I must also, respectfully, impress upon this Court that my office has seen an increase in threats, racist smears, and intimidation at public town halls that I've hosted in my congressional district. At one town hall I hosted last year in Gardena, California at the Nakaoka Community Center, droves of individuals, some waving confederate flags while others were dressed in camouflage and holding menacing duffle bags, stormed the front of the community center and caused a loud disruption outside the front doors. Many of them were yelling very profane comments about me and the people I represent. While we did have a successful event inside the meeting space, upon the conclusion of the town hall, I had to take an exit through a side entrance. I was quickly escorted to a car and driven away from the premises, even as one of the demonstrators chased down my car for many yards before he could no longer keep up.

Once again, Mr. Lloyd's expressed contempt for me and flippant dismissal of federal law enforcement agencies are very serious, and I believe he must be held accountable for his actions in a manner extending beyond probation. I sincerely hope you take my comments into consideration as you assess the appropriate sentence, taking into account not only the facts of this case, but the public interest implications if individuals begin to believe there are no consequences for threatening the life of a Member of Congress with whom they disagree.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Maxine Waters". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Maxine" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Waters".

Maxine Waters
Member of Congress