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IN THE THIRD DISTRICT COURT, SALT LAKE DEPARTMENT

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SALT LAKE, STATE OF UTAH

THE STATE OF UTAH Plaintiff, vs. **PETER JOSEPH HOFFELMEYER** **DOB: 10/15/1978** **14242 SOUTH CROWN ROSE DRIVE** **Herriman, UT 84096** **OTN#: 72431885** **SO#: 469476** **SID#/BCI#: 1532486** **Booking#: 26051570** Defendant.	Screened by: HOMICIDE TEAM Assigned to: TO BE ASSIGNED **INFORMATION** DAO # 26.042038 BAIL: NO BAIL WARRANT WARRANT/RELEASE: IN JAIL PRD 11/12/2026 Case No.

The undersigned Trooper N. MILES - Utah Highway Patrol Section 4, Agency Case No. 264-06618, upon a written declaration states on information and belief that the defendant, PETER JOSEPH HOFFELMEYER, committed the crime(s) of:

COUNT 1
AUTOMOBILE HOMICIDE, 76-5-207, a Second Degree Felony, as follows: That on or about October 30, 2026 at I-80 Westbound at Mile Marker 130, the defendant did operate a vehicle in a negligent or criminally negligent manner causing the death of another individual; has sufficient alcohol in the actor's body such that a subsequent chemical test shows that the actor has a blood or breath alcohol concentration of .05 grams or greater at the time of the test; is under the influence of alcohol, any drug, or the combined influence of alcohol and any drug to a degree that renders the actor incapable of safely operating a vehicle; or has a blood or breath alcohol concentration of .05 grams or greater at the time of operation; or operates a vehicle in a criminally negligent manner causing death to another; and has in the actor's body any measurable

amount of a controlled substance. To Wit: T.G.

COUNT 2
NEGLIGENTLY OPERATING A VEHICLE RESULTING IN INJURY, 76-5-102.1(2)+(3AI), a Class A Misdemeanor, as follows: That on or about October 30, 2026 at I-80 Westbound at Mile Marker 130, the defendant did operate a vehicle in a negligent manner causing bodily injury to another; and had sufficient alcohol in the actor's body such that a subsequent chemical test shows that the actor had a blood or breath alcohol concentration of .05 grams or greater at the time of the test; was under the influence of alcohol, a drug, or the combined influence of alcohol and a drug to a degree that rendered the actor incapable of safely operating a vehicle; or had a blood or breath alcohol concentration of .05 grams or greater at the time of operation; or operated a vehicle in a criminally negligent manner causing bodily injury to another; and had in the actor's body any measurable amount of a controlled substance. To Wit: A.S.

THIS INFORMATION IS BASED ON EVIDENCE OBTAINED FROM THE FOLLOWING WITNESSES:

Sgt. J. Mecham, Trooper N. Miles, Trooper A. Bush, and Investigator C. Stutz

DECLARATION OF PROBABLE CAUSE:

Your Declarant bases the Information upon the following:

On or about October 30, 2026, Utah Highway Patrol were dispatched to a two-vehicle crash at I-80 Westbound near mile marker 130 in Salt Lake County. Enroute to the scene, Troopers were informed that a witness on scene stated that one of the parties involved appeared to be deceased. Dispatch advised that they could hear a female yelling “she’s dead” and “please don’t die, please don’t die.” Upon arrival, Troopers were informed by medical that T.G, driver of the green Subaru, had been pronounced deceased on the scene. Troopers were informed that the driver of the red Nissan Altima, identified as PETER JOSEPH HOFFELMEYER, and his female passenger, A.S., had been transported to a nearby hospital for treatment.

Troopers observed that the Nissan had extensive front-end damage and the Subaru had heavy rear end damage. Troopers observed that there were no signs of hard braking by the Nissan on the roadway near the accident site. Troopers located tire marks showing that T.G. had pulled her Subaru onto the right shoulder out of the flow of traffic. Troopers found the spare tire just in front of T.G. along with her cellphone which had instructions on how to change a tire on the screen. Troopers observed human matter spread across the trunk area of the Subaru, confirming that the trunk had been open and T.G. had been standing at the back of the vehicle when HOFFELMEYER struck her.

A witness stated he had pulled over when he observed a female, later identified as HOFFELMEYER’s passenger A.S., waving in distress. The witness stated that A.S. appeared to be under the influence and kept stating that her husband (HOFFELMEYER) was dead. The witness stated he observed HOFFELMEYER in the driver seat of the Nissan and moving like he

was under the influence. The witness stated that HOFFELMEYER kept his foot on the gas pedal the whole time until the Nissan quit running.

Troopers responded to the hospital to speak with HOFFELMEYER about the incident. Troopers heard HOFFELMEYER inform medical staff that he had taken his wife's "generic Adderall" around 7:00 p.m. that night. Medical staff finished their assessment and Trooper Bush spoke to HOFFELMEYER who had an odor of alcohol coming from his breath. Troopers observed that HOFFELMEYER spoke slowly and with a slur, and that his eyes were red, glossy and bloodshot. Trooper Bush conducted an HGN test and observed the lack of smooth pursuit in both eyes, and no resting nystagmus. While conducting the HGN test, HOFFELMEYER made an unsolicited comment that, "the person waiting on the side of the road is bothering me." Trooper Bush asked if HOFFELMEYER was aware of what happened, to which HOFFELMEYER responded, "yes."

HOFFELMEYER informed Trooper Bush that he was traveling home from a house party he and his wife attended in Park City. HOFFELMEYER stated he had two mixed drinks prior to the party and then two more mixed drinks while at the party. HOFFELMEYER stated that his wife had too much to drink and wanted to go home, so he told her, "okay lets go." HOFFELMEYER stated that his last drink was an hour before driving and that he felt safe to drive. HOFFELMEYER consented to a preliminary breath test (PBT) test and told Trooper Bush that he "definitely had alcohol in his system." The PBT test returned positive for alcohol at a 0.144 level. A blood draw warrant was ordered, and a blood draw was completed. At the time of this filing, the final toxicology report is still pending. Troopers were informed that HOFFELMEYER suffered some cracked ribs and would be released.

Troopers searched HOFFELMEYER's vehicle and located a bottle of 750 ml UV Silver Vodka in the trunk which was 1/8 full. While speaking with State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) Agents, HOFFELMEYER confirmed that he had purchased the bottle earlier in the day and prior to the Halloween party. HOFFELMEYER stated after purchasing the bottle he went home and made two mixed drinks for himself while A.S. got ready for the party. HOFFELMEYER stated that he took ten "shotgun" hits of THC from A.S. prior to leaving for the party. HOFFELMEYER stated that he smokes THC but because he was driving that night, he only did the "shotgun" hits. HOFFELMEYER confirmed that when he arrived at the party, he had two more additional mixed drinks, which he stated were Vodka Red Bull drinks.

MOTION FOR PRETRIAL DETENTION:

Pursuant to Utah Code 77-20-201(1) the State requests that Defendant be held without bail until further notice in this matter because the defendant is charged with Automobile Homicide, a second-degree felony, and a DUI with Bodily Injury caused to his passenger, a Class A Misdemeanor; and there is substantial evidence supporting the charge and clear and convincing evidence that the defendant would constitute a substantial danger to any other individual or to the community, if released on bail.

As referenced in the probable cause statement in this Information, there is substantial evidence based on the Defendant being charge with an Automobile Homicide, a second-degree felony, and

the death of T.G. and DUI with bodily injury to A.S., a class A misdemeanor. The Defendant was traveling westbound on I-80 when he drifted out of his lane and onto the shoulder, hitting T.G., who was standing at the rear of her vehicle attempting to change a flat tire. A witness confirmed that the Defendant was seated in the driver's seat and appeared to be under the influence. The witness stated that the Defendant kept his foot on the gas, until the Defendant's vehicle stopped running. The Defendant made unsolicited comments to Troopers that he had four mixed drinks that night and that he would still have alcohol in his system. Troopers conducted a preliminary breath test (PBT) on the Defendant, who blew a 0.144. A blood draw warrant was ordered, and a blood draw completed. At the time of the filing, the toxicology report is pending.

During the investigation the Defendant admitted that he had been drinking that night, had taken a generic Adderall, and had taken ten "shotgun" hits of THC from his wife prior to driving up to Park City. At no time during the investigation did the Defendant show concern or remorse for T.G. only making the unsolicited comment, "the person waiting on the side of the road is bothering me." The State is concerned that if the Defendant is released, he will continue to drive while under the influence and put the community in further danger. As such, the State requests that a No Bail warrant be issued and the Defendant held at the Adult Detention Facility in Salt Lake County.

Pursuant to Utah Code Annotated § 78B-18a-106 (2018) I declare under criminal penalty of the State of Utah that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my belief and knowledge.

Executed on: 10th day of November, 2026

/s/ NOAH MILES
Declarant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of November, 2026

Authorized for presentment and filing

SIM GILL, District Attorney

/s/ Jennifer Zeleny
Deputy District Attorney
10th day of November, 2026
JZ / KF / DAO# 26.042038

OTHER PENDING CASES FOR THE DEFENDANT

Court	Court Case #	Trial Judge	DAO #	Charge