EXHIBIT I
Declaration of Tyquwane Gilchrist

1. I, Tyquwane Gilchrist, declare as follows:

2. I am currently incarcerated at Bridgeport Correctional Center, where I have been incarcerated since Dec 23rd, 2019. I am 25 years old.

3. I live in North Wing in Bed C13. I live in a dorm with about 58 bunks, 2 people per bunk. They were full until around mid-late March, but now it feels kind of empty because so many people have been sick. I sleep three feet away from the person in the bed closest to me. I have not seen any additional cleaning happening since the start of the pandemic.

4. I first started feeling symptoms of coronavirus around March 20th. I told medical staff, by sending a request and by speaking to a staff member who came by, that I was feeling symptoms, but they wouldn’t take me out of my dorm.

5. I had symptoms for about two weeks before anyone did anything.

6. After two weeks, medical took my blood pressure. They said it was super high, to the point where I could have had a stroke. At that point, they moved me to the medical unit.

7. I was isolated from approximately April 2nd to April 6th, in the medical unit of Bridgeport CC. I was in a cell by myself at first, then later with three other people who had tested positive for the virus. I was never tested for COVID-19.

8. For the duration of the time that I was there, I could not make any phone calls, including legal calls and calls to my family. I could not shower. I did not have access to recreation. They did not give me sheets, so I was sleeping on a bare mattress.

9. The medical staff and correctional staff I interacted with were not wearing masks.
10. I was given blood pressure pills while in the medical unit. They checked my blood pressure once per day.

11. Now I am back in general population. I still have pinkeye in both eyes, which they gave me some eye drops for during isolation. But I never received the antibiotics they promised me after I told them the eye drops weren’t doing anything.

12. Six people in my dorm have tested positive for the coronavirus. They were sent to Northern, but now they are back here. They said they were at Northern for two days, then Hartford for two days, then straight back here to general population.

13. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. I would testify to the same statements above if called to do so in court.

14. I have authorized Madeline Batt to affix my signature to this affidavit for me, because I am incarcerated, and it would take a minimum of seven days for me to receive a document in the mail, sign it in front of a notary, and return it by mail.

Executed this 23rd day of April, 2020.

Tyquwane Gilchrist

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