IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA

IN RE:

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COMPASSIONATE RELEASE REQUESTS DIRECTED TO THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA COMMUNITY DEFENDER

STANDING ORDER 2020-11

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The Federal Defenders of the Middle District of Georgia, Inc. (hereinafter Defenders) are administratively appointed for the sole purpose to review requests made to the Defenders by their former clients for compassionate release pursuant to the CARES Act or 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(1)(A). If the Defender determines that a petitioner's motion may have merit, the Defender will file a motion requesting the appointment of counsel with the presiding judge. If the Defender determines that a petitioner is unlikely to succeed, the Defender will communicate that reasoning to the petitioner and provide the petitioner with forms and instructions to enable the petitioner to proceed *pro se* if the petitioner disagrees with the assessment of the Defender.

SO ORDERED, this 21st day of September, 2020.

s/ Marc T. Treadwell
MARC T. TREADWELL
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE