The above-named student has elected to complete the Master of Science in Criminology & Criminal Justice degree by researching and writing a thesis under the supervision of several faculty members, one of whom will serve as the chairperson of the student’s thesis committee. The student and supervising faculty members hereby agree as follows:

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