

State of Minnesota  
County of Blue Earth

District Court  
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070113952  
Court File No. 07-CR-26-3265

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

**TIARA NICOLE LONG DOB: 06/04/1991**

101 Glenwood Avenue #L02  
Apt L02  
Mankato, MN 56001

Defendant.

**COMPLAINT**

Order of Detention

The Complainant submits this complaint to the Court and states that there is probable cause to believe Defendant committed the following offense(s):

**COUNT I**

**Charge: Endanger Child-Situation Could Cause Harm or Death-G**

Minnesota Statute: 609.378.1(b)(1)

Maximum Sentence: 364 days or \$3,000 fine, or both

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 08/09/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26025197

Charge Description: On or about August 9, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Tiara Nicole Long did, as a parent, legal guardian, or caretaker, intentionally or recklessly caused or permitted a child to be placed in a situation likely to substantially harm the child's physical, mental, or emotional health or cause the child's death.

**COUNT II**

**Charge: Endanger Child-Situation Could Cause Harm or Death-G**

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### COUNT III

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### COUNT IV

**Charge: Neglect of a Child-Likely Subst. Harm Physical/Emot Health-G**

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### COUNT V

**Charge: Neglect of a Child-Likely Subst. Harm Physical/Emot Health-G**

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### COUNT VI

**Charge: Neglect of a Child-Likely Subst. Harm Physical/Emot Health-G**

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## STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On August 9, 2026, at approximately 11:52 PM, officers of the Mankato Department of Public Safety were dispatched to an apartment complex in Mankato, Minnesota, Blue Earth County. A 13-year-old child called and stated that her mom was drunk and not waking up and the stove was on fire.

Officers arrived at the apartment complex and observed tenants of the building evacuating. The apartment complex's entire building alarms were activated and the fire doors had shut. Officers proceeded to the apartment and observed a significant amount of smoke and haze. There were three children outside Long's apartment that were later identified as Tiara Nicole Long's children. The children were 13, six, and two years old.

Officers went inside and observed that the stove was actively smoking and appeared to be the cause of the fire. Officers observed that the door on the stove was locked in it appeared to be in self-cleaning mode. Officers were able to unplug the stove.

Long was passed out in apartment despite significant smoke and loud noises from the fire alarm. Long would not wake up when officers attempted to wake her up. Long eventually woke up but was not comprehending that there was a fire and she needed to get out. Long appeared heavily intoxicated. Law enforcement had to take ahold of Long and pull her to her feet. Long was unable to walk or remain upright without assistance. Law enforcement escorted her out of the complex.

Officers spoke with Witness 1, who resided in a neighboring apartment. Witness 1 stated she heard beeping and all the kids screaming. She knocked on Long's door to see why the kids were screaming. Witness 1 found Long passed out in the bed. Witness 1 tried to wake Long but she wouldn't wake up. Witness 1 drug Long off the bed but she still did not move.

Long was later given a portable breath test which resulted in a .19 reading.

Long stated she went out drinking and then put a pizza in the oven when she returned.

Long's 13-year-old child confirmed that only Long would have been using the oven.

## SIGNATURES AND APPROVALS

Complainant requests that Defendant, subject to bail or conditions of release, be:  
(1) arrested or that other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court; or  
(2) detained, if already in custody, pending further proceedings; and that said Defendant otherwise be dealt with according to law.

Complainant declares under penalty of perjury that everything stated in this document is true and correct. Minn. Stat. § 358.116; Minn. R. Crim. P. 2.01, subds. 1, 2.

**Complainant**

Jesse Gilbertson  
Patrol Sergeant  
710 S Front St  
Mankato, MN 56001-3803  
Badge: 3126

Electronically Signed:  
08/10/2026 02:02 PM  
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

Being authorized to prosecute the offenses charged, I approve this complaint.

**Prosecuting Attorney**

Taylor Fast  
Assistant County Attorney  
401 Carver Road  
PO Box 3129  
Mankato, MN 56002  
(507) 304-4600

Electronically Signed:  
08/10/2026 01:59 PM

## FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE

From the above sworn facts, and any supporting affidavits or supplemental sworn testimony, I, the Issuing Officer, have determined that probable cause exists to support, subject to bail or conditions of release where applicable, Defendant's arrest or other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court, or Defendant's detention, if already in custody, pending further proceedings. Defendant is therefore charged with the above-stated offense(s).

### ☐ SUMMONS

THEREFORE YOU, THE DEFENDANT, ARE SUMMONED to appear as directed in the Notice of Hearing before the above-named court to answer this complaint.

IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR in response to this SUMMONS, a WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST shall be issued.

### ☐ WARRANT

To the Sheriff of the above-named county; or other person authorized to execute this warrant: I order, in the name of the State of Minnesota, that the Defendant be apprehended and arrested without delay and brought promptly before the court (if in session), and if not, before a Judge or Judicial Officer of such court without unnecessary delay, and in any event not later than 36 hours after the arrest or as soon as such Judge or Judicial Officer is available to be dealt with according to law.

☐ *Execute in MN Only*

☐ *Execute Nationwide*

☐ *Execute in Border States*

### ☒ ORDER OF DETENTION

Since the Defendant is already in custody, I order, subject to bail or conditions of release, that the Defendant continue to be detained pending further proceedings.

Bail: \$

Conditions of Release:

This complaint, duly subscribed and sworn to or signed under penalty of perjury, is issued by the undersigned Judicial Officer as of the following date: August 10, 2026.

**Judicial Officer**

Bradley C Walker  
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 08/10/2026 03:49 PM

Sworn testimony has been given before the Judicial Officer by the following witnesses:

COUNTY OF BLUE EARTH  
STATE OF MINNESOTA

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Defendant

**LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER RETURN OF SERVICE**  
*I hereby Certify and Return that I have served a copy of this Order of Detention upon the Defendant herein named.*

Signature of Authorized Service Agent: