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STATE OF MONTANA,)	Cause No. DC-24-2020-0000120-IN
	Plaintiff,)	Lake County District Court
-vs-)	Montana Twentieth Judicial District
LENNIE OLIVIA WEBSTER,)	DECISION
	Defendant.)	

On December 7, 2023, the Court found the Defendant violated the conditions of her sentence, revoked the deferred sentence that was imposed on February 11, 2021, and the redeferred sentence that was imposed on April 27, 2023. The Court sentenced the Defendant to five (5) years to the Montana Women's Prison for the offense of Count I: Criminal Possession with Intent to Distribute, a Felony, in violation of §45-9-103, MCA. The Court further recommended chemical dependency treatment. The Court also recommended the original conditions be reimposed should the Parole Board consider any sort of early release.

On April 5, 2024, the Defendant's Application for review of that sentence came on for hearing by Zoom videoconference before the Sentence Review Division of the Montana Supreme Court (hereafter "the Division"). The Defendant appeared from the Montana Women's Prison and was represented by Teal Mittelstadt, Defense Counsel. The State was not represented. The Defendant provided a statement.

Before hearing the Application, the Defendant was advised that the Division has the authority not only to reduce the sentence or affirm it, but also increase it. The Defendant was further advised that there is no appeal from a decision of the Division. The Defendant acknowledged that she understood this and stated that she wished to proceed.

Rule 12, Rules of the Sentence Review Division of the Supreme Court of Montana, provides that, "The sentence imposed by the District Court is presumed correct. The sentence shall not be reduced or increased unless it is clearly inadequate or clearly excessive." (Section 46-18-

904(3), MCA).

The Division finds that the reasons advanced for modification are insufficient to hold that the sentence imposed by the District Court is clearly inadequate or clearly excessive.

Therefore, it is the unanimous decision of the Division that the sentence is AFFIRMED.

DATED this 30th day of April, 2024.

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Hon. Luke Berger, Chair

Hon. Matthew Cuffe, Member

Hon Jessica Fehr, Member

Copies mailed or emailed this ______ day of May, 2024, to:

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