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Statement of Lauren Young (Jane Doe 2)

Thank you, your honor, for allowing me to speak today. I am very disappointed that the prosecutor has decided not to retry Mr. Weinstein on the sexual battery charge on which the defendant was indicted and about which I testified during the trial. As you know, 10 members of the jury voted to convict the defendant on that charge, and two did not. I really wanted the prosecutor to retry the case, and I asked him to do that, because for 10 years I have done everything possible to seek justice for what the defendant did to me. I testified in the New York case against Mr. Weinstein as a Molineaux witness, which is like a 1108 witness in California, and then I was willing to testify in Los Angeles as well. I believed in our system of justice and I hoped that I would obtain justice if I testified truthfully, which I did.

Unfortunately, I have not achieved the justice that I had hoped to obtain. That is why it was so important to me to be able to have a retrial, but now I have been denied that as well. I wanted the retrial, because even though the defendant has been convicted in New York and California of crimes against other women, I wanted him to be held accountable for what he did to me. Yes, the defendant is sentenced by your honor to 16 years in prison, but I believe that if there were a retrial in reference to the sexual battery of me, it is likely that he

would be convicted and sentenced to even more time than your honor sentenced him to previously.

I think that Harvey Weinstein should be punished, for any and every crime he has committed against women, and that includes the crime he committed against me. I believe that if sexual predators learn that they will be prosecuted and punished for every crime they commit, it may deter others from committing crimes of sexual violence. That could help to protect women in the future. Harvey Weinstein has escaped the retrial as to me, but he will always be remembered not as a great producer, but as the convicted felon and sexual predator that he is. I hope that Mr. Weinstein's daughter is never the victim of a crime against her, but if she is victimized as I was, I pray that she will never be denied the justice that I was denied today.

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