IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT, LAW DIVISION

ATIKU ABUBAKAR,)	
)	
Petitioner,)	
v.)	G
CHICAGO STATE UNIVERSITY,)	No. 2023 L 006854
Respondent.)	

<u>AFFIDAVIT</u>

Caleb Westberg, first being duly sworn, states that if called to testify in this matter, I am over eighteen years of age and could competently testify as to the facts contained herein, and do affirm as follows:

- 1. I am employed as the Registrar of Chicago State University and am authorized to submit this Affidavit on its behalf.
- 2. Bola Ahmed Tinubu graduated and was awarded a degree from Chicago State University on June 22, 1979.
- 3. Chicago State University provided a diploma to Bola Ahmed Tinubu, and subsequently provided a certified (or official) *copy* of that diploma. Both are valid and authentic diplomas of Chicago State University.
- 4. There are certain differences between the diploma and the certified copy because all diplomas are signed by the *current* President/Board Chair. There are also differences in the font and seal on the diploma versus the certified copy because the University updated its font and seal after the diploma was issued.
- 5. The difference in the date of award on the diploma versus the certified copy is likely the result of human error. The graduation date on the certified copy is typed in manually by a person and can be inaccurate.
- 6. In the United States of America, institutions of higher education often consider the diploma to be a ceremonial document.

7. The official records of Chicago State University reflect and verify that Bola Ahmed Tinubu graduated and was awarded a degree as stated above.

Caleb Westberg

Subscribed and Sworn, this 24th day of July 2023.

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