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11	ELIEZER WILLIAMS, et al.,	Case No. 312 236	
12	Plaintiffs,	Hearing Date:	August 25, 2003
13	V8.	Time;	3:30 p.m.
14	STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DELAINE)	Department:	16
15	EASTIN, State Superintendent) Of Public Instruction, STATE)	Judge:	Hon. Peter J. Busch
16	DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, STATE) BOARD OF EDUCATION,		
17	Defendants.)		
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20	AND RELATED CROSS-ACTION.		
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23	DECLARATION OF DONALD R. MITCHELL IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANT STATE		
24	OF CALIFORNIA'S OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR SUMMARY ADJUDICATION		
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[], Donald R. Mitchell, say:

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1. I am the principal of Gompers Secondary School in San Diego Unified School District. I have been principal of Gompers Secondary since September 2000. I have extensive knowledge of the students, teachers, and facilities at Gompers Secondary, and am familiar with the curriculum and instructional materials provided to the students. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this declaration; and if called as a witness I would and could testify competently thereto.

2. I am generally familiar with the Williams lawsuit. I am aware that plaintiffs, in their motion for summary adjudication, have quoted page 14 of Gompers Secondary's 2000 "School Application for II/USP Funding" which states that "51% of students said there were not enough books and supplies for all the students in their classes."

3. I was not principal at Gompers Secondary when the II/USP Application was drafted in the spring of 2000. I do know, however, that this statement has not been true since the time I became principal in the fall of 2000. Indeed, as principal of Gompers, my staff and I have ordered a State-adopted and district-approved textbook for every student at Gompers Secondary to use in class and to take home in every core subject. Not only does Gompers order enough books for each student to use and take

home, but it also conducts an end-of-semester inventory to 2 replace lost or damaged textbooks. 3 As principal of Gompers Secondary, I have also ensured 4 that there are more than enough supplemental instructional S materials and supplies for the students. From fall 2000 to 6 7 spring 2003, the school has spent more than \$700,000 in purchasing classroom supplies, books for classroom libraries and 8 other supplemental instructional materials. Currently, my 9 expectation for every class at Gompers Secondary is to have a 10 classroom library with at least 500 young adult reading books for 11 the students to use and check out. (The English classrooms are 12 expected to have a library of at least 1,500 young adult reading 13 14 books.) 15 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is 16 17 true and correct. 18 Executed this 6 day of August, 2003 at San Diego, 19 California. 20 21 Vard Ruthell 22 23 Donald R. Mitchell 24 25 26 LA2-682928 1 27 28

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