

DECLARATION OF YANIRA SALGUERO

I, Yanira Salguero, declare as follows:

1. My child, Juan Salguero, is six years old and attends Cahuenga School located at 220 South Hobart Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90004.

2. I am writing this declaration to describe some of the unacceptable conditions which exist at Cahuenga.

3. My child has not been assigned books during this school year. In place of books, my child receives copies of worksheets for school work. I believe that this is a problem because children need books to read and study from in order to learn. In my opinion, this lack of textbooks is preventing my child from reaching his full potential.

4. I was required to purchase materials for my child's education, including crayons, glue, scissors and pencils.

5. The toilet facilities at the first floor of Cahuenga School are filthy. There is no toilet paper and no soap in these bathrooms. There is almost always water on the floor making the floor slippery and unsafe to children. There are clean bathrooms in the second and third floors of the school, but these are closed and off limits to my child.

6. The eating area where my child is to have his lunch is filthy. Many mothers have witnessed the tables where our children are to eat their lunch being cleaned with floor brooms and mops.

7. My child is educated in a trailer with many other Latino children. I believe this segregation is discriminatory.

8. Some of children in Cahuenga are being taught by teacher's aids, not credentialed teachers.

9. My child is required to wear a school uniform, as are all Hispanic children at Cahuenga. Asian children are not required to wear the school uniform.

10. On the first day of school, I was not welcome to my child's classroom and was asked to leave, however, Asian mothers were welcome in the classroom.

1 11. The principal has made himself unavailable to parents of children at Cahuenga
2 regarding parents' concerns of the inadequacies of the school.

3 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the
4 foregoing is true and correct.

5 Executed this 3 day of May, 2000 at Los Angeles, California.

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7 Yanira Salguero