

1 DECLARATION OF MARIA TENORIO

2 I, Maria Tenorio, declare and state:

3 1. I am resident of Los Angeles, California. My son, Francisco is a plaintiff in this
4 action. I make this Declaration based upon personal knowledge and, if called upon to do so, I
5 could and would competently testify to the matters set forth herein.

6 2. My son, Francisco is in the Eighth Grade at Carver Middle School in Los Angeles,
7 California.

8 3. The purpose of this declaration is to describe some of the conditions at my son's
9 school and to express my concern that these conditions are making it difficult for my son to learn
10 and progress.

11 4. I know Francisco's school quite well. I have visited the school on many occasions
12 and I also attend night school there. In addition, I hear about the poor conditions of Carver
13 Middle School from Francisco on a regular basis. I have seen how inadequate the school's
14 facilities are and I believe that the poor conditions are impairing my child's ability to learn in
15 school.

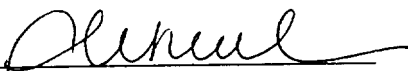
16 5. Francisco does not have any books to take home for any of his classes. Apparently
17 there are not enough books to go around and there is only one class set for each subject. Because
18 Francisco does not have any textbooks, he cannot complete all of his homework at home. I
19 regularly take him to the public library in order for him to use the books he needs so that he can
20 complete his homework assignments. I believe that, at a minimum, every student should be
21 provided with textbooks so that they may study and learn the subjects they are being introduced
22 to in school. The lack of textbooks has been one factor in preventing my son from advancing
23 more in his education.

24 6. My son's access to computers is extremely limited at Carver. There is a computer
25 lab, but it is antiquated. Francisco has told me that the computers that are in the lab can only be
26 used for typing and that they do not even work that well. There are no computers in the
27 classrooms.

I, Christina L. Checel am an associate with Morrison & Foerster LLP. I read, write and speak Spanish fluently. In May, 2000, I orally translated the declaration of Maria Tenorio from English into Spanish to Mrs. Tenorio, and the written English version of her declaration is an accurate reflection of the oral Spanish translation I did.

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

Executed this 24 day of August, 2001, in Los Angeles, California.


Christina L. Checel