I, SANDRA PARKS, hereby declare:

1. I make this declaration based on my own personal knowledge and if called to testify I could and would do so competently as follows:

- 2. I am the parent of Kim Parks, who is a plaintiff in this action. Kim just completed second grade at Garfield Year-Round Elementary School, and he will begin third grade there in several weeks.
- 3. My son Kim has never brought home a textbook from school, and he has been at Garfield the whole time he has been in school. Kim brings home copied papers to work on for homework. When I was in school, we had books to use. I like a book better than these copied papers because with a book you can read as much background material as you need over and over to help you understand things you don't understand. With just one or a few pieces of copied paper, you don't have enough material to really understand what you're learning. I asked the Principal why Kim doesn't have books to bring home, and the Principal told me the school doesn't have enough money to buy books for all the students in the school to take home for homework.
- 4. My older daughter is in 11th grade now, and she went through Garfield for elementary school too. She didn't have books to take home for homework when she was at Garfield, either. So I know the book problem has been going on for years, and it doesn't seem to me like the school is doing anything about fixing the problem.
- 5. Kim had about ten teachers when he was in Kindergarten two years ago. His first teacher was a long-term substitute, and her time ran out after about a month. After then, the class got a new teacher about every 30 days. Kids need one teacher, not a different teacher every time you blink. Kim could have learned more if he'd had a regular teacher at school.
- 6. When Kim was in first grade a year ago, he had about 19 teachers. His teacher kept getting sick, so the class had to have a lot of substitute teachers. The teacher was sick from environmental problems in the classroom she and her class, including Kim, were in.
- 7. Kim got sick a lot during his first grade year because of the poor ventilation in the classroom. He got stomach aches and headaches because there was dust everywhere and the school

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had not cleaned the HVAC system in a long time.

- After about the first month of school for Kim's first grade year a year ago, the school switched him to another class because there were too many kids in the first class. It's not good for kids to be in one class for a month and then switched to a whole new class to start over. The school should have organized its enrollment better.
- 9. The school bathrooms are filthy and old, and the school does not have enough bathrooms for all the kids. The two bathrooms are not enough for the whole school.
 - Kim is on track D, and Garfield is on a four-track, multitrack schedule. 10.
- The main building and the portables at Garfield do not have air conditioning, even 11. though the school operates on a year-round schedule. The added-on wings of the school have air conditioning, but the wings were closed for most of the 1999-2000 school year for renovations. Children in the classrooms without air conditioning suffer in the heat during the summer months.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States and the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on August 48, 2000 at Oakland, California.

Sandra Parker