I, MARIA IMPERATRICE, hereby declare:

- 1. I am one of the plaintiffs in this action and if called to testify I could and would do so competently as follows:
- 2. I am nine years old and I am in the fourth grade at Morris E. Dailey Elementary School in Fresno.
- 3. My school hardly has any supplies, including textbooks. I don't have textbooks to take home for homework. I'd rather have a book to take home so I could review what I'm going to do the next day and ask my mom for help. My parents buy books for me to use, and I like having the whole book better because I can go back and see what I already did in the book. If I had a book at school, I could look at all my work together and keep it together.
- 4. I know my teacher buys supplies for my classroom herself. Sometimes kids tear out pages from the journals we keep in class, and my teacher says not to tear out the pages because the teacher bought the journals herself and we don't have very many.
- 5. There isn't enough space in my classroom. We have to turn sideways to get around other desks when we walk around. Right now, there are three tables in one row in the room, and there are six kids at each table. Each kid just has space for one piece of paper on the desk, and we can't put our elbows out or we'd hit each other. I never put my elbows out.
- 6. We have one computer in our classroom now, but the mouse doesn't work on it.

  And we only have one computer program on it. That means we can only write stories on the computer, but we can't do any math problems or anything else on it.
- 7. The bathrooms at my school are really dirty, and one set of bathrooms is always locked. There are two bathrooms at the school for girls, and two for boys. The bathroom by the cafeteria is never locked, but it's dirty. There are three stalls in that bathroom. I try not to use it because it's so dirty, but sometimes I can't hold it. The bathroom by the "pod" part of the school is always locked. There are six or stalls in that bathroom, I think. But it doesn't matter because that bathroom is always locked.

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8. If I could have any classroom I wanted, there would be enough supplies for everybody. I'd get to take home a book to get the attention I need. And my classroom would be bigger so no one would share a desk. My classroom wouldn't have an old rug from when my dad was around. I'd want at least one computer in each classroom and not four computers only for the principal to use. And I'd want my school to have clean bathrooms that I could use.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California and the United States that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on April 15, 2000 at Fresno, California.

Maria Imperatrice