

Declaration of Adrian Juarez

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2 I, Adrian Juarez, hereby declare:

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

5 2. I am eleven years old and in the sixth grade at Wilmington Middle School. I
6 attended Gulf Avenue Elementary for kindergarten through fifth grade.

7 3. In Mr. Ibarra's class in the 4th grade my handwriting book was torn, had missing
8 pages and looked really old. In this class there was not enough books for everyone and so I had to
9 share a book with someone else. We didn't get homework in our books and took home pieces of
10 paper to work on. Other books that I have gotten at Gulf and Wilmington have been old and had
11 graffiti in them, and my friends told me they had books that had torn and missing pages. It was
12 sometimes harder to learn from these books and it didn't feel right when they would give them to
13 us.

14 4. We had rats in Mr. Ibarra's class in the 4th grade. On the first day, my friend went
15 to throw something out and when he moved the trash can I saw a rat run into the closet. My
16 friends kept seeing rats in this class in the beginning and middle of the year. Mr. Ibarra bought
17 traps and stuff to try to deal with the rats and he caught a rat in a trap in our classroom. There
18 would be rat poop in the closet and Mr. Ibarra would clean it up and then there would be more.
19 Sometimes it smelled bad and the teacher and my friends said they got headaches and couldn't
20 breath. In my 1st period class in Wilmington we have an ant problem. There are trails of ants and
21 then when we kill them they come back the next day. We can't do anything about it.

22 5. At Wilmington and Gulf the bathrooms sometimes have no soap and no paper
23 towels, a couple times I had to dry my hands on my shirt. Sometimes there is writing on the
24 walls. At Wilmington last week I tried to go to the bathroom but the bathrooms were locked and I
25 couldn't use them. At Wilmington this year there was no wall separating the toilets in the
26 bathroom for a while before they fixed it.

27 6. In Ms. Sonnen's class at Wilmington she has been asking to get the curtains fixed
28 for seven years but they have never gotten fixed. Ms. Sonnen's class also has graffiti on the

1 window that she says has been there for at least seven years and they can't take off. In my 2d and
2 3rd period classes at Wilmington there is not enough chairs and sometimes kids have to go and
3 sit in the back on the supply tables.

4 7. In the 5th grade we got to dissect frogs and squids but Mr. Ibarra had to go and
5 buy the frogs, squids, plates and tools that we used.

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7 I declare under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California and the United
8 States that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 15 day of October, 2001 in
9 Wilmington, California.

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