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### Declaration of Maritza Marquez

- I, Maritza Marquez, 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 a student at Hosler Middle School. I attended Hosler during the 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 school years, and I will be returning to Hosler in the fall of 2001 for my eighth grade year.
- 3. In my seventh grade English class during the 2000-2001 school year the teacher who was assigned to our class did not show up for school, and so I had a substitute for the first few weeks of school. During those first few weeks of school the administrators put us in a room that did not have any air conditioning and it was really, really hot and there was nothing we could do about it. I felt really sweaty and sick during that period. It was just so, so hot in that room because it was one of the last classes of the day. Also, that room only had about 10 desks, and so 15 students had to sit on the floor everyday. When I didn't arrive early enough to class I had to sit on the floor, and it was really difficult to pay attention. The substitute also only had one English literature book, and none of the students had books and so we would basically just sit there. After the substitute left, our permanent teacher came and we were moved to a different room with air conditioning, desks, and books, and I was able to learn.
- 4. During my seventh grade cinema class during the 2000-2001 school year we only had ten desks and about five chairs for the first week or two of class, and so most of us had to sit on the floor. Our teacher kept asking the administrators to give him desks but they only brought more chairs into our classroom. So for the rest of the year most of the students sat on chairs and we had to write on our notebooks in our laps because we didn't have desks. That was very difficult to do and my writing would get messed up. It was uncomfortable not to have a desk to write on.
- 5. During my P.E. class in seventh grade during the 2000-2001 school year we did not have enough sports equipment. So instead of playing sports games the teacher would have us walk around the park or run.

7. In my sixth grade year during the 1999-2000 school year we were not allowed to bring our English textbooks home with us because there were not enough books. If affects my learning when I cannot bring my textbooks home with me because I have to do everything in a hurry so that I can finish my assignment before the end of the period. Also, I when I can't bring my textbook home with me it is hard to study for tests and to review the materials that we went over in class. In my health class we only had a class set of textbooks, and so we couldn't take our textbook home with us. Also, these books were all ripped up and had drawings all over them. About ten different times during the school year I would turn to a page and it would be ripped up or there would be writing all over the page, and I wasn't able to read the assignment or the exercise that was assigned by the teacher. When this happened I would share with a friend or look at their book, but that took extra time and it was difficult to follow along.

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I declare under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California and the United States that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 2 day of August, 2001 in Lynwood, California.

Maritza Marque