

1 **Declaration of Rosa Cuevas**

2 I, Rosa Cuevas, 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 an eleventh grade student at Locke High School and a leader in the Locke
6 Student Union, an organization formed to try and help fix the problems at the school. I have
7 gone to Locke for all of my years of high school.

8 3. I take mostly AP classes, which are much smaller than regular classes, and so I
9 have books in my classrooms. However, many of my friends don't have books in their
10 classrooms. If my friends have books, there aren't enough, and they aren't allowed to take them
11 home. The teachers tell me that they have a limit on the number of copies that they are allowed
12 to make, and that sometimes the photocopy machine is broken down and so they can't make
13 copies for the whole class or hand out the whole lesson. It makes me angry that we don't have
14 the basic materials we need to learn. All of the children should have textbooks to take home
15 from school, and the teachers should not have to waste their time making copies for us. We
16 should not miss out on learning, because a photocopy machine breaks down.

17 4. Our school is very overcrowded. One of my teachers, the animation teacher, has
18 to teach her class in a closet

19 5. The bathrooms in my school are locked during class periods and also sometimes
20 during lunch time. When I have to go to the bathroom, I have to look for a security guard to open
21 up the bathroom doors. There are no bathrooms near the bungalows where I am in class, and so
22 sometimes it can take up to 20 minutes to find a security guard who will open the bathrooms.
23 That is 20 minutes that I am missing class time. It makes me upset.

24 6. We have one technology lab in our school, but you have to reserve time two or
25 three weeks in advance if you want to use the computers. I don't have computers in any of my
26 classes, except my fourth period where we have four computers, but none of those computers
27 work.

28 7. There are rat droppings in my art class, and we can see rats jumping around in the

1 bushes that surround the school. I am so scared of rats. I know that they bring diseases, and they
2 can make you sick if they bite you.

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4 I declare under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California and the United
5 States that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 18th day of June, 2001 in Los
6 Angeles, California.

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