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DECLARATION OF MARICELA FERNANDEZ

I, Maricela Fernandez, hereby declare:

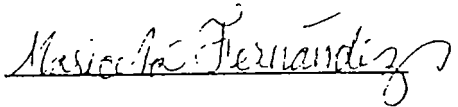
1. I am 15 years old and in the 10th grade at Watsonville High School located in Watsonville, California. I have attended this school since the 9th grade. I make this declaration based on my own personal knowledge, and if called to testify I could and would do so competently as follows:
2. One problem at my high school was the condition of the bathrooms. Last school year, 2000-2001, there was often no soap, toilet paper, or paper towels in the bathrooms. In addition, the mirrors were so dirty they did not reflect images and were so black in color I did not realize at first that they were mirrors. When toilet paper rolls were available they were often not useable because they were dirty from being on the bathroom floor or are even wet. Also, at any given time at least one toilet, but often more, was out of order from having overflowed. I estimate that one of five student bathrooms at the school was locked at any given time, forcing students to travel farther to use the restroom. On one occasion last year, I went to use the restroom during fifth period and found it locked. Because the other bathrooms were too far away, I just held my bladder so that I would not be late for class. In the first month of this school year, 2001-2002, I was using the bathrooms at my

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friends' houses before and after school because the school
bathrooms were still so dirty. In addition, this school year, I have
noticed that in the machines where you buy sanitary napkins, only
tampons are available for purchase even though most girls at the
school only use pads.

3. Overcrowding has been another problem at my school. At the
beginning of ninth grade in 2000, not everyone in my French class
had seats. The students without seats were not allowed to continue
taking the class. I heard from my friends that some classes were
held in the school library as well.

4. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of
California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on
10/16 (month/day) 2001 at Watsonville, California.



Maricela Fernandez