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20 **SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

21 **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CENTRAL DISTRICT**

22 Phillip Urquidi, Daniel Martinez, Susana
23 Perez, Terilyn Goldson, Gerardo Campos, and
24 Arthur Lopez, ~~on behalf of themselves and all
other similarly situated~~, and Clergy and Laity
25 United for Economic Justice ("CLUE"),
26 Reverend Jennifer Gutierrez, Reverend Gary
Williams, and Rabbi Aryeh Cohen,
individually,

27 Plaintiffs,

28 vs.

Case No.

22STCPO4044

DECLARATION OF ARTHUR LOPEZ

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County of Los Angeles

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Sherril R. Carter, Executive Officer/Clerk of Court
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City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, Los Angeles County Sherriff's Department, Sheriff Alex Villanueva, Los Angeles Police Department, and Chief Michel R. Moore,

Defendants.

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1. Declaration of Arthur Lopez.

2. I'm 58 years old ? I was born in Los Angeles. I've lived in the area my entire life.

3. I was arrested for an alleged offense on Wednesday November 9th, in the evening.

4. After arrest, I was brought straight here, the Temple City Sheriff's Station. When I got here, I asked the jailer how long I'd be here, ? he said we have court on Monday.

5. I sleep on a thin mattress on a concrete slab. It's very cold in there. I have to constantly pull my hoodie over my head to stay warm - there's constant cold air. I haven't had a chance to shower or change my clothes. I haven't been given soap.

6. I didn't know what my bail amount was until the Public Justice Attorney, Brian Harding Law told me that the sheriff's Department website showed \$50,000.

7. I cannot afford the bail amount or to pay a bail bondsman. All of my money is in one bank account. I think it has about \$800 after I ~~was~~ was paid on Thursday. I try to save as much as I can because every month I have to save \$161 for car insurance and \$61 for my phone every month. After these expenses, I also have to buy food and put gas in my car.

8. I don't know how they picked the bail amount. I was surprised at how ^{high} it was. I thought, wow - that much?

9. Nobody asked me how much I could pay - no one even told me how much bail was. Nobody advised me on how to pay the bail or on any other ways that I could try to get out of jail.

10. I haven't been given an attorney in the criminal case and I can't afford to hire one myself. I haven't spoken with a judge or a magistrate since ~~my~~ being arrested. No one from the probation department has spoken with me either.

11. ~~When I was arrested I was taken to the jail and I don't have an apartment or home to stay in; my car is my ~~home~~ ^{home}.~~
I stay in the same area every night because it's quiet, near a restroom that's open all night, it's easy to get to work.

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12.

I've had the same job as a security guard for a year & a half. ^{This is my only source of income.} I am paid hourly and I work second shift - From 4pm to midnight. I work that shift Monday, Tuesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday every week. Not missing work is very important to me. Being in jail has prevented me from working Friday, Saturday, & Sunday so far. IF I miss a shift I don't get paid.

13.

Missing work has made me very worried because I don't have any money to spare. I bought my car for \$1,200. It is very important to me to take care of my car because that is where I live and I need it to get anywhere.

14.

About two weeks ago my car broke down. A mechanic towed it and said the transmission was shot & it will cost \$1,000

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to fix it. I gave him \$400 and still owe him \$645. He is keeping the car until I pay in full.

15. Since my car has been in the shop I have been sleeping outside a lot in the streets. I'm worried if I don't get out of here soon, the mechanic will put a lien on my car and I'll never get it back. Sleeping on the street is a lot worse than sleeping in my car. I feel safer in my car where I can lock the door.

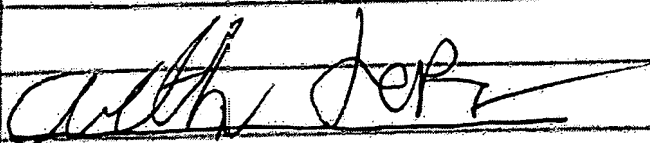
16. IF I stay in jail any longer, I am going to lose everything.

17. IF I could make bail I would make bail. I just want to get back to my daily life.

18. I don't want others to go through this. My attorney explained being a class representative means standing up for my rights and the rights of others. IF I can help someone else, I want to do that. I saw this as an opportunity to do good.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true & correct to the best of my knowledge.

Executed on this 15th day of November, 2022, in Los Angeles, California.



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