## THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ROCHELLE GARZA, as guardian ad litem to ) unaccompanied minor J.D., on behalf of ) herself and others similarly situated, ) Civil No. 17-CV-) Plaintiffs, ) **Declaration of** ) ) v. ) ERIC D. HARGAN, et al., ) ) Defendants. Ι, , do hereby depose and state as follows:

1. I submit this declaration in support of Plaintiffs' motion for a temporary restraining order.

- 2. I came to the United States from my home country without my parents.
- 3. I am 17 years old.

4. I was detained upon arrival, and am currently in a shelter in Texas.

- 5. I am pregnant. I have decided to have an abortion.
- 6. I have sought and obtained a judicial bypass of Texas's parent consent law.
- Both an attorney ad litem and a guardian ad litem were appointed to assist me in the judicial bypass. They both speak Spanish and have explained what is happening to me and my legal rights.
- 8. This declaration has been translated for me by my ad litems so that I know its contents and it states the truth.
- 9. I have had several appointment scheduled with a licensed health care facility in Texas for an examination by a licensed physician who specializes in obstetrics and gynecology, and to obtain options counseling, including on September 28 and October 6, 2018.

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- 10. I had an appointment scheduled for the abortion on September 29 and October 7, 2017.
- 11. I have been told my ad litems that Defendants prohibited me from traveling to the health care center for the examination, counseling, and abortion.
- 12. I am hopeful to obtain an abortion as soon as possible. I understand the next counseling appointment should have been October 12, with the abortion appointment on October 13. However, because I keep being delayed, the only appointments available to me are on October 18 and 19, 2017.
- 13. Defendants have forced me to obtain counseling from a religiously affiliated crisis pregnancy center where I was forced to look at the sonogram.
- 14. Defendants have been talking to me about my pregnancy I feel like they are trying to coerce me to carry my pregnancy to term.
- 15. Defendants told my mother about my pregnancy and are trying to force me to tell her as well.
- 16. I do not want to be forced to carry a pregnancy to term against my will.
- 17. I do not want to proceed in court using my real name because I fear retaliation because I am seeking an abortion. I do not want my family to know that I am seeking an abortion.
- 18. I agree to be a class representative for similarly situated individuals.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: October 11, 2017



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