IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

TYLER DIVISION

J. and R. DOE AS GUARDIAN AD LITEM FOR I. ROE, J. D. DOE, E. DOE, D. DOE AND O. DOE; J. and E. ROE AS GUARDIAN AD LITEM FOR O. ROE, F. ROE, and N. ROE; F. BOE AS GUARDIAN AD LITEM FOR Z. BOE, S. BOE and X. BOE; H. and J. LOE AS GUARDIAN AD LITEM FOR A. LOE, L. LOE, M. LOE, G. LOE and R. LOE; ON BEHALF OF THEM—SELVES AND OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED,

PLAINTIFFS

VS.

JAMES PLYER, SUPERINTENDENT OF THE TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY; LEWIS LAMPKIN, BOB DOBBS, CHARLES CHILDERS, CARL ROSS, MARTIN EDWARDS, VERNON GOSS, MICHAEL BREEDLOVE and ROBERT RANDALL IN THEIR OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT,

DEFENDANTS

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ANSWER OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

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TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

NOW COMES The State of Texas and makes this Answer to Plaintiffs' Original Complaint herein. For such Answer Texas would show to the Court the following:

I.

The State of Texas agrees with the character description of this suit contained in statement of the case. The State does not admit such suit is properly brought or admit jurisdictional or standing issues.

II.

The State of Texas neither admits nor denies statements contained under THE PLAINTIFFS as they are without sufficient knowledge to do so.

III.

The State of Texas neither admits nor denies statements contained under <u>DEFENDANTS</u> as they are without sufficient knowledge to do so.

IV.

The State of Texas admits the characteristic description contained in <u>Jurisdiction</u>; however, Texas does not admit jurisdiction herein. <u>Venue</u> is admitted.

V.

Under the section entitled <u>THE FACTS</u>, The State of Texas is without sufficient knowledge to admit or deny Number 11. The State admits Number 12. The State is without sufficient knowledge to admit or deny Number 13. The State, since the identity of these people is unknown, is obviously without sufficient knowledge to admit or deny Numbers 14, 15, 16, or 17.

VI.

The State of Texas denies that this action is proper for class action, relief, and thereby denies Number 18.

VII.

The State denies <u>FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION</u>. The State would particularly deny the implementing of the policy characterized by Plaintiffs as only being implemented against Spanish surnamed individuals. 21.031 and policies promulgated thereunder are to affect all children and all illegal aliens.

VIII.

The State is without sufficient knowledge to admit or deny in detail what procedural due process was extended to each individual Plaintiff. However, The State would deny that the parties have been denied due process herein.

IX.

Texas denies Plaintiffs' THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION.

Texas denies Plaintiffs' FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION.

XI.

Texas denies Plaintiffs' FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION.

XII.

Texas denies all facts subsumed in Plaintiffs' Prayer for Relief.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, The State of Texas respectfully pray that Plaintiffs take nothing by this suit, that all relief prayed for by Plaintiffs be denied, and that this cause be dismissed. The State further prays for costs of Court and such other and further relief which they may be entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Suzan Cardwell, Assistant Attorney General of Texas, do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Answer of The State of Texas has been properly served by depositing a copy of same in the United States Mail, Certified, Return Receipt Requested, with sufficient postage attached, addressed to Mr. Peter Roos, MALDEF, 145 Ninth Street, San Francisco, California 94103, to Mr. John Hardy, 200 Peoples Bank Building, South, Tyler, Texas 75702, and to Ms. Roberta Rodkin, P. O. Box 1115, Tyler, Texas 75701, on this the

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