

1 I, Estela Ortega, do hereby declare:

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3 1. I am the Executive Director at Organizational Plaintiff El Centro de la Raza
4 (“El Centro”), where I have worked for 14 years. In this role, I, Estela Ortega, I am over the
5 age of 18, competent to testify to matters in this Declaration, and make this Declaration
6 based on my personal knowledge.
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11 2. El Centro is a non-profit, non-partisan 501(c)(3) organization grounded in the
12 Latino community of Washington State.
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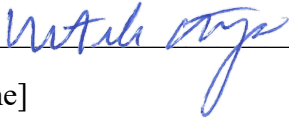
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15 3. El Centro’s mission is to unify all racial and economic sectors; to organize,
16 empower, and defend the basic human rights of our most vulnerable and marginalized
17 populations; and to bring critical consciousness, justice, dignity, and equity to all the peoples
18 of the world.
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23 4. While El Centro has a wide array of programs, it is well known for its voter
24 registration and get-out-the-vote efforts. As part of those get-out-the-vote efforts, El Centro
25 conducts education campaigns to ensure voters have all the information that they need to
26 vote, including how and where to cast a ballot. These education campaigns include e-mails
27 to its network, announcements on radio programming, social media, answering questions
28 from individual voters about their ballots and voting procedures, and other volunteer efforts
29 to boost civic engagement through voting.
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37 5. El Centro also recognizes that people of color, especially Latino voters, are
38 disproportionately impacted by Washington’s signature verification requirement.
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41 6. El Centro has participants who have been disenfranchised by Washington’s
42 signature verification requirement.
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EXECUTED this 24 day of July, 2023, at Seattle, Washington.



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