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To this Honorable Court,

- I, Ramona Mayon, declare as follows:
- 1. I have been a resident of San Francisco since May 31, 1997, except for five years in the Delta. I have been a housing rights organizer since 1997 exclusively concerned with the rights and abuse of the Vehicle Dweller. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and would testify thereto if called.
- 2. In my time in San Francisco (since I came here on purpose in 1997 from my home state of Louisiana, living in the honeymoon gift from my in-laws, a 32' black Bluebird schoolbus housing our blended family of five children, to be married November 14, 1997 in Golden Gate Park), I have had three voluntary contacts with the Defendant COALITION ON HOMELESSNESS (COH): 1st, their publication Street Sheet published my poem in their 1998 poetry edition (Exhibit A); 2nd, their publication of an essay in the Feb 2021 issue (Exhibit E of Complaint); and 3rd, during a protest they organized in front of SFMTA in 2021 that I barely remember. I have never contributed in any other way to Defendant COH. That's because they have zero focus in their advocacy to help legalize/ legitimize RV/ vehicle dwelling. Their focus is tent dwelling, which is harmful to society at large; mostly, it is an inadequate and cruel way to house humans when such an invention as an RV exists for under \$10,000 and enables the "Person Experiencing Homelessness" ("PEH") to leave their particular exclusionary zone, such as miserable San Francisco has become to me, living in an older RV that is being banned November 1, 2025 by SFMTA 7.2.54. Exhibit B establishes that their agenda has never included vehicle dwellers as it is from the Defendant COH's website and lists their accomplishments. There's been one strange, flop of a lawsuit by "End Poverty Tows Coalition" which actually served to firm up that police authority CAN tow for any other reason but a small number of unpaid parking tickets. It did ZERO to establish that the middle part, (i.e. the interior of that middle part of the vehicle's chassis) contains, for the purpose of the 4th, 5th, 9th, and 14th amendments, a home and one's papers.
- 3. On the other hand, my life since that first, very violent police raid November 13, 1997 (night before our wedding) has been three (3) decades of self-directed study of Constitutional law, specifically how exactly each class (i.e. slaves, women, the disabled, Vietnam veterans, etc.) obtained suspect status, as well as a minor in how international humanitarian crimes are prosecuted in the Hague. I went from writing essays to books through the 90's into the 2010's, and self-published on Amazon: "Nomadic Proud" and "Vehicle Dwellers Legal Primer" plus others. Progressed to extensive white papers on Academia.edu where I was accepted as an

Independent Researcher in 2017 under "gypsy anthropology" for my 1900+ page half-a-million word paper about hate speech ("My Big Fat Book of GypsyTraveller Lies, Hate, and Bigotry"). I also (currently) publish and distribute a pamphlet titled "Why You Hate the Homeless: 641 years of Anti-Gypsy Laws and Acts". The name of my business is the Gypsy Book Shop. My focus is exclusively on vehicle dwellers and the vibrant, worldwide, historical hatred of the GRT. That's the acronym for Gypsy-Roma-Traveller and how we are referred to by European parliaments and NGOs - here in America, we are lumped in with the homeless. I am an American-born Scottish Traveller, maiden name Robertson. I have almost always lived on wheels. Exhibit C is the memo issued on Oct 8, 2020 by the U.S. State Dept titled: "Working Definition of Anti-Roma Racism". In the footnote, naming 16 subsets of known nomadic groups (i.e. DNA, not choice), Travellers are listed (note: there are both Irish and Scottish Travellers). So, in a simple, non-threatening way, this instant case is a baseline introduction to the American gypsyTraveller. It's for other courtrooms that I ask what I call the "Gypsy Question", (i.e. "Is it really okay to treat us like this?"), which I did as recently as August 21, 2025 in front of the Appeal panel in Mayon v. Breed (Exhibit N in the Complaint).

- 4. Four months after my husband's death July 7, 2020 (in Sacramento), with the entire state "shut down" for the COVID-19 pandemic, needing a place full of memories in order to stabilize, I returned to San Francisco where we had lived 1997 to 2013 because it was familiar to me. I didn't feel as lost here. The pandemic was in full blast at that point and I didn't want to endanger family members, but mostly, I wanted to be alone on the beach to grieve. I had temporarily lost use of my RV-home of then-8 years due to mechanical failure and it was stored in the mountains. I was sleeping in my car at night, but utilizing a tent during the day. Upon my return to the City, an old friend invited me to stay next to her trailer parked on Great Highway at Balboa with approximately 30 other people as part of the beach encampment. I joined them on November 10, 2020.
- 5. On November 16, 2020 I was enrolled by HOT (Homeless Outreach Team) into the Dept of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) database mandated by HUD called the Homelessness Management Information System (HMIS). After they departed, a member of the encampment told everyone that a "sweep" was planned for Nov 18, 2020. Thus being verbally informed, and having an extensive history of "sweeps" (and PTSD) from the dozens of middle of night police raids of our schoolbus home (1997 2013, due to *SFPD 97* which, in 1971, criminalized eating or sleeping in one's "house car"), <u>absolutely</u> I packed my tent and moved my car away from the encampment. I returned the next morning (at approximately 7 am) on foot and filmed the entire proceedings. I published the photos on a blog <u>www.supportsurvival.home.blog</u> with the videos themselves at the top of the playlist holding the entire library of this saga with Dept of Homelessness and their non-profiteers on my Youtube channel.

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- 6. Because of the voter approved San Francisco Police Code § 169, I knew that written notice was required 24 hours prior, but also due to the size of the encampment, CDC has put out recommendations to not disturb the PEH, and maybe even offer aid. That was why I filed the pro se TRO on November 25, 2020 (exhibit D of the Complaint). In retrospect, if I had just asked for water, we might have been helped. Instead, I unleashed on myself, from that time forth, the fury of the City multi-agency task forces who were determined to make me pay for my advocacy. I laughingly tell those I organize with that, "I have done my best to become the Dept of Homelessness' Public Enemy #1 in court and out, and that I deserve it. But do I really?" When I speechify, I try to remember to close with that thought, so they go away thinking about whether THEY deserve what's happening to them, over that most basic right of all, the choice of where one seeks sanctuary and solitude: one's HOME.
- 7. Throughout December 2020, the City multi-agency teams harassed the Ocean Beach encampment so badly, all the people dispersed into sad, solitary campsites throughout Golden Gate Park to hide from the increasingly aggressive tactics trying to force us into the Moscone Center, a sports stadium downtown (without parking), converted to a massive homeless shelter for up to 400 homeless people and their pets. 800 opportunities to catch a deadly disease. Since the vaccine was not invented yet, and it was widely reported that across the country, people were dying in droves, no one I knew would submit to such stupidity. I do have a tape of this being offered, and where I call it genocide @ https://youtu.be/14jRvzhFip0?si=aq3EA8115MZ60Zns
- 8. Once the entire encampment group had been dispersed by HSOC (Healthy Street Operations Center which includes park rangers and SFPD), I was back to solo camping in my car, but with winter setting in, I used my AAA service to have my broken and unregistered RV towed from the mountains to me on Ocean Beach, on the other side of the park where the Great Highway meets the beach on Lincoln Avenue. My home arrived on Dec 23, 2020. My hunger strike began the next day because the neighbors (about 12 of them) had come out incensed, yelling at me to leave, etc. Yes, even for me it was terrifying. So I immediately plastered my RV with hand lettered signs saying, "Housing Rights or Death" and set out to get help from the City who was custodian of the CARES Act funding flowing from the federal government to the Cities for care of the PEH. Exhibit D is the SOS email I sent out on December 29, 2020. The only response was from someone who did "phone buddies" with the homeless to give them 24/7 emotional support (no, thank you) and an email where Defendant COH, who offered to publish anything I wanted to write about why I was on a hunger strike. That essay is Exhibit E - H of the Complaint, showing the essay and the emails surrounding the \$60 I was paid.

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agree to go there. What choice did I have after more than a year of lies?

- 9. On Jan 4, 2021, I received an email from someone at Defendant LAWYERS COMMITTEE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS SAN FRANCISCO (LCCRSF) who would go on to make a donation of \$500 towards repairing my RV (Exhibit E).
- 10. On Jan 5, 2021, I filed for another TRO re. fear that my RV would be seized. It is here that I began a low-key battle of pressure to obtain RV-specific services. The day after the first case management conference, April 13, 2021, I was contacted by the Dept's Problem Solving division who, on April 15, 2021, when we had our first phone call, can be heard here saying "yes" to my case plan funding for a mechanic's services, smog, clear tickets, DMV registration, and the "Elite" level of membership at Thousand Trails RV Resorts which would have allowed me stays up to 21-days at a time and the amenity-rich RV resorts are within 80 miles of one another and there are 7 in the area. The Dept's lies, which would go on until March 4, 2025 @ https://youtu.be/SzzvfJKrWiY?si=zkmfHbXQdPIboOwl
- 11. On October 10 and 27, 2021, I received two texts and on Oct 18, 2021, a phone call (Exhibit F) from same organization, Defendant LCCRSF (but a different person than is in Exhibit E from January 2021), asking if I would talk to them about my experience with how the City conducted sweeps of encampments. I had no animus at that point, I simply wasn't interested.
- 12. By this time, I had been officially diagnosed with breast cancer and was desperate to get the necessary radiation/ mastectomy/ chemo treatment the doctors advised. In spite of knowing that urgency, the Problem Solvers kept moving the goal posts and eventually ghosted me after paying for half the RV registration but nothing else. Ludicrously, on October 20, 2021 the Problem Solver called Adult Protective Services (APS) on me for medical self-neglect. It was the Problem Solvers division that had failed to provide case plan funding that would have gotten me to an RV park lifestyle again where I had support to seek medical care, instead I was left sixteen (16) months begging a revolving door of City workers. I was the office joke, and they let it be known in tape after tape and just as many emails. I published a book out of the emails called "No Services. No Peace" and they still laughed in my face because they were untouchable. Even then - in my frustration - I did not contact the Defendants. By February 4, 2022 I was enrolled into hospice by Sutter Health, expecting to be dead by Christmas.
- 13. August 9, 2022 I was subjected to a sweep of the seven (7) RVs parked around me at Lincoln and Great Highway (no tents). This was recorded and it can be clearly heard as a promise @ https://youtube.com/clip/UgkxmcdlSGW3 -QdHlBn8EbDfME fvzHYHRND-?si <u>=SDiO8FzGuNOxvKoi</u> that I would receive repairs at the "Vehicle Triage Center" if I would

14. Other audio from earlier visits from an official at HSOC (Healthy Streets Operation Center), the man can be heard to bring up my hospice status and ask if I had discussed "institutional hospice" in case something happened to my RV on August 5, 2021 @ https://youtube.com/clip/Ugkx1QzDjkS3M5FSBsUMj7EeXWJKPFwnCwVN?si=vFxt8mtw9qC-84vz Earlier, in May 2022, the same man can be clearly heard to say not to leave my RV unattended @ https://youtube.com/clip/UgkxNRtaz 2ZQcHd2toAKhIyes OUgmpGFhnIq?si= gb7HWS9-Y 05jO651 and @ https://youtube.com/ clip/Ugkxlubg\_uZ8uXxmZeUtxwR3p R7PoYJLihh9? si=eHBDqbYYSYRFF6ah and @ https://youtube.com/clip/UgkxmuHL3HgAMnPNn4L14X j2sDxcIcnkTyqA?si=w9t1AlwZ979kBpwE Even then, under such immense pressure, I did not contact the Defendants.

15. I resided at the Vehicle Triage Center from August 9, 2022 until it was shut down on March 4, 2025. It was against my free will to be there. The day I arrived, after the "sweep" on Ocean Beach, delivered by Atlas Towing to the Vehicle Triage Center, with me following in my SUV, I immediately discovered my RV had been damaged by the tow (they refused to trailer it, so a regular tow truck was used). The RV rear end visibly sagged and eventually, I would discover the rear leaf springs had inverted and bent. It was in far worse shape than the mere refusal to start consistently. I wouldn't be able to get that repaired until March 8, 2024 and by then there was significant damage to the siding of the RV since the 3" sag in the bottom made the roof basically crack at the seams (on the roof seal) so rain got inside, swelling the wood frame, causing the entire body to warp and leak even more. That was the winter of 11 atmospheric rivers hitting the Bay area, one after the other.

16. I had been at the "safe parking" site for two months, when I read the opening brief of the defendants lawsuit against the City (Exhibit B of the Complaint). Exhibit G is the Declaration made by Jeff Kowisky. Exhibit H is the April 1, 2022 article about him joining Urban Alchemy as its "growth" director. Upon seeing my 2020 pro se litigation obliquely referred to, with my identity cloaked to the general public by "unhoused person", but not the City Attorney's office, I prudently chose a course of silence because that seemed the safest, given I still believed I was dying, surrounded by a hostile workforce of former long-term prisoners who viewed their employer as their only option to be an upstanding citizen, and seeing as I was on hospice, and this was known by all defendants as well as the City to be gravely ill (NOTE: one does not get on hospice without a team looking at one's medical records). At this point, all I cared about was getting back to a rural RV park so I could have privacy to pass with dignity. Well, obviously THAT never happened.

17. On August 30 - 31, 2022 the Dept. Problem Solver showed up with a mechanic and she rejected the plan already in place, from the (street) Problem Solver, saying it exceeded the budget

(all this is on tape). I refused services of her mechanic, due to the yet-again changing goal posts and criteria. It wouldn't be until January of 2024 - a full sixteen (16) months later - that a mechanic would be brought in to do the work. He left before it was finished, and it still didn't start, in spite of over \$4000 being paid to him. The men hired Nov-Dec 2023, to do "weatherization", left the RV roof even more leaky plus they stripped all the silicone out the windows, replacing it with plain housing caulk, now all my windows leaked. The final, unsuccessful attempt to repair my RV so I could move to a friend's driveway in Clearlake (approved by the Dept) was in December 2024 and cost the tax payer at least \$11,000 (I have only some of the invoices). That mechanic left a broken spark plug in my engine and told the Dept my RV was irreparable. In spite of so much money being spent on paper, the RV never ran while at the Vehicle Triage Center, and on March 4, 2025, it was towed to the street and left for dead. The essence of a state-created danger to a disabled, elderly whistleblower. Still, throughout all this horror, I didn't contact the Defendants for help.

18. On April 15, 2025, two (completely-volunteer) street mechanics recovered the broken spark plug the aforementioned (unlicensed) mechanic left in my RV engine, then went on to rebuild the entire ignition system all the way down to the distributor (approximately \$1,000 in parts I bought with my credit cards). After five years of persistent work, my RV now starts and drives. It remains vulnerable to being seized due to other issues, including the aforementioned (unlicensed) mechanic putting four (4) car passenger (low quality) tires on the RV instead of the 6 high-quality truck tires he invoiced for. Same with the low-quality batteries going dead after three-days. Other work needs doing, including the running lights and some front end work. Smog and DMV. There is an acute danger of such inadequate tires, so I am still stuck in the Bayview. HSH sends HOT by but when I say give me what was promised at the VTC, they scurry away. Again, I have not solicited the help of the Defendants.

19. The reason for that - beyond my historical dislike of the Defendant COHs' failure to assert the rights of the vehicle dweller, is more pointed that that, because I knew (all along) that Defendant FRIEDENBACH is on the oversight committee that approved the funding for the Vehicle Triage Center. She (and Defendant MILLER who would soon send her staff to run it) knew and approved the conditions for opening the place next door to the infamous SuperFund site that is Hunter's Point Shipyard. She knew of the constant digging and soil disturbance (per the \$2 million dollar contract to Phoenix Electric). She knew there was no electricity, that we were made to give up our propane bottles to Urban Alchemy (tape @https://youtube.com/clip/Ugkx-T0oTNWFqzHt2O3i5VxVFBV-m6MAt0uQ?si=CS-izU9Bl59R9y14 where staff tells us to "check in our propane bottles with Urban Alchemy"). We signed an agreement to NOT COOK IN OUR HOMES because there was no fire suppression. Rats ran rampant and we had to deal with them in the dark. When the big rat clean up occurred, it was a man walking around with

a high pressure water sprayer, aerolizing all the feces and urine into the communal air. There was no kitchen, only a microwave outside by the charging station. Completely ignored ADA rights (that's the HUD case, in mid-stage right now). Constantly lied to AND about repairs (in City reports as well as the media) and other assistance. Social isolation, I spent three (3) Christmases in that remote, scary prison-like camp. The only outside visitors were Glide Memorial Harm Reduction vans that came through once a week (!!!) and occasionally a staffer from Coalition on Homelessness would come in to transport residents to a meeting in front of the Board of Supervisors to ask for the place to stay open. They did no actual organizing on site — or off.

- 20. Regarding the open cruelty of the Urban Alchemy staff (some of it filmed), suffice to say, it was discussed in the media by the tenant union members as well as having HUD file a complaint in my name (and some of the other residents) on Oct 1, 2024 against them for retaliation (plus my own ADA claims) is sufficient comment for this Declaration. Other Navigation Centers in the City's system do not report having these horrific conditions. This was done like this to pressure us into giving up our RVs and "going indoors". Defendant MILLER has taken to calling her operations as giving a "Four Seasons spa experience" to the PEH. That means it was a City policy to treat us so badly at the Bayview Vehicle Triage Center. They the brass at HSH and Urban Alchemy often paraded visiting dignitaries through the place without notice to show off how tight the operation there was. I put a stop to that (as union rep) in late June 2024 when I intentionally stopped the touring group and demanded to know why I was being kept in a human zoo and there's former inmates recreating their life experience on my dime. No one was ever brought out again, to my knowledge. And still I did not contact the Defendants to get their help because I understood they were ALL collaborative in the funding and oversight and management of the "safe parking" program.
- 21. Once my time (Exhibit I) on hospice ended May 31, 2023 because my insurance wouldn't pay for it after such a long time, and since I wasn't "declining", that is to say, I didn't die, I was discharged. I now receive medical care at UCSF Cancer Center. Part of that care is a weekly session with a psychotherapist who specializes in the dying and grief. That began late August 2023. By mid-October 2023, my head had cleared enough that I formed a tenants union, based on San Francisco's unique Charter amendment at Chapter 49A which allows those in places with more than 5 units, if they get 50% sign-ons they could unionize and force the landlord to the table. I garnered 23 signatures out of 35 residents.
- 22. January 26, 2024, I filed a pro se complaint for *Negligence per Se* alleging the conditions were unbearable and that we were indeed tenants under *WIC 8255* which is where the "Housing First" policy is encoded into law. It says the word "tenant" 13 times. The 2024 pro se litigation

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was meant to ask for help in the most direct way available in our system of checks and balances. That case was kept open until an appeals hearing I lost Aug 21, 2025. That would be Exhibit N of the Complaint. The conditions were known to the public - and presumably the Defendants - due to our tenant union, the Candlestick 35, making a substantial appearance in the media, which I show an INDEX of as Exhibit J. Media coverage for the VTC began as soon as it opened. I began cooperating with the media in February 2023 and was very open about doing it, speaking directly to Defendant URBAN ALCHEMY. I felt it made me safer for them to know I was speaking out and others were watching. It was all published in first rate newspaper(s) and the TV news did reports as well. I did it so all could see what was happening to us, simply BECAUSE we are Vehicle Dwellers. No one else in the HSH system is treated like this. That effort would go on to win the Reporter first place in digital media at the San Francisco Press Club on Dec 4, 2024 (Exhibit K) in two categories. Next day, notices were delivered that the Vehicle Triage Center would close in 90 days (Exhibit L). That closure occurred March 3, 2025.

23. I also present here as a part of Exhibit J the full text of the libelous article of Dec 13, 2024 in the SF Standard (only excerpts are presented as Exhibit L of the Complaint). I read it the day of its publication and was appalled. However, I did NOT consider suing the publication itself as it was the very same one that published the prize-winning profile on my books about my struggle for dignity over my GRT heritage May 2023.

24. While I had known the whole time I lived at the VTC about Defendant FRIEDENBACH being on the OCOH oversight committee, since she was the one who instigated the campaign that brought about the tax that funded it so it was widely reported in the media, including the grant for \$250,000 that was awarded Defendant COH (Exhibit M), it wasn't until August 5, 2025, quite randomly, I discovered Exhibit M of the Complaint, the paper signed by Mayor London Breed in 2020 putting Defendant MILLER on the OCOH committee where she had direct input on the sub-committee on Shelters and Navigation Centers. This is odd, to say the least, because she is the executive director of Defendant URBAN ALCHEMY that received millions in grants from this tax base. Her salary in 2023 was \$339,271, while in 2020, it was \$30,519. That's a thousand percent increase in salary in four years. This committee seat occupied by Defendant MILLER was discovered at the same time as Exhibit N, which was signed off by the Ethics committee (thus relevant here) for \$353,000 for purchase of a shower trailer meant to be stationed at the safe parking program. That trailer was never at the Vehicle Triage Center because the shower trailer that was on-site was the subject of the aforementioned HUD investigation and came from a rental company. What we had was only open four times a week mornings only, for 35 people (all men but 5), and it had dangerous ramps for the wheelchair bound resident. That was the basis of her HUD claim, while my HUD claim is about how I was treated by URBAN ALCHEMY and the Dept (HSH) after I substantiated the disabled resident's claim on May 9, 2024, on film.

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3	25. After nearly five years of being kept in a state of suspended crisis by the machinations of
4	an opaque, reckless, arrogant agency I have every intention of holding accountable, nonetheless, I remain committed to living in my RV home of thirteen years (13), which is now running, drives,
5	and is about to get a roof. How can the Dept decide my investment, my property, my hard-earned
6	HOME is a public blight worthy of being seized? While I <i>have</i> appealed the new Large Vehicle Task Force's failure to have me (of all people) in their "Refuge Permit" scheme, simply as a
7	formality to show the (federal) court it ("Refuge Permit") doesn't actually have any due process happening with it, I do very much plan to leave San Francisco as soon as I can.
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9 10	26. I would, in closing, point out that the Defendants FRIEDENBACH, COH, ACLU, and LCCRSF have made no attempt whatsoever in mounting a facial challenge to <i>SFMTA 7.2.54</i> which proves my point about why I don't want a false association with them.
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