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 12 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
 13 AND THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
 14 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT COMPOSED OF THREE JUDGES
 15 PURSUANT TO SECTION 2284, TITLE 28 UNITED STATES CODE

16 **RALPH COLEMAN, et al.,**
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 Plaintiffs,
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 v.
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 20 **EDMUND G. BROWN JR., et al.,**
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 Defendants.

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C01-1351 TEH
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**DECLARATION OF ROSS MEIER IN
 SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' MARCH
 2012 STATUS REPORT IN RESPONSE
 TO JUNE 30, 2011 ORDER**

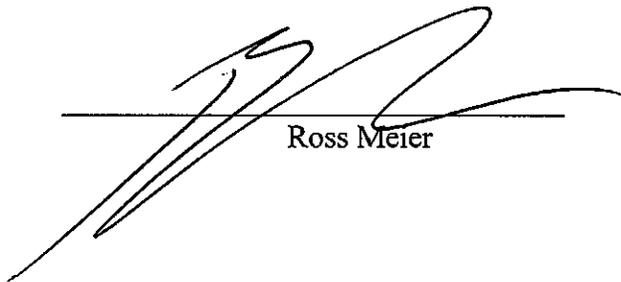
1 I, ROSS MEIER, declare as follows:

2 1. I am the Chief of the Population Management Unit of the Division of Adult
3 Institutions for the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR). I have been
4 employed in this position since March 2010 and have been with the Population Management Unit
5 since 2003. I have assisted in gathering data maintained by CDCR on numerous occasions. I am
6 competent to testify to the matters set forth in this declaration, and if called upon to do so, I would
7 and could so testify. I submit this declaration in support of Defendants' March 2012 Status
8 Report to the Court's June 30, 2011 order.

9 2. As part of my duties, I manage the day-to-day intake of offenders from county
10 jails, and the movement and housing of inmates throughout the state prison system. On October
11 1, 2011, the state implemented public safety realignment under Assembly Bill 109. CDCR's
12 most recent weekly report of population, which includes data through March 7, 2012, reflects that
13 as of that date, the actual population for in-state adult institutions was 126,111 inmates, or
14 158.3% of design capacity.

15 3. Defendants currently project that the in-state population will be reduced to 155%
16 of design capacity prior to the June 27, 2012 benchmark. Because Defendants' best projections
17 show that the population will be reduced to 155% of design bed capacity prior to the June 2012
18 benchmark, there appears to be no need to implement additional measures or to ask the Court to
19 extend the benchmark dates at this time.

20 I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the
21 foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Sacramento, California on March 14, 2012.

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