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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

LILLIAN ROBBINS, as administratrix of the estate of Kathy Robbins, deceased, and as surviving mother and heir of Kathy Robbins; and JAMES ROBBINS, SR., as the surviving father and heir of Kathy Robbins,

Plaintiffs,

CIVIL ACTION NO .: CIVS-85-0675 RAR

AMENDED CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES

vs.

COUNTY OF GLENN, CALIFORNIA;

ROGER L. ROBERTS, individually and in his official capacity as Sheriff of the County of Glenn, California;

C.B. HARRISON, TODD JAMES, VIRGINIA COLLINS, JOHN EDWARDS, J.L. BRANDENBERGER, DIANA KILLEBREW, BECKY BARTUCCO, VIRGINIA INGRAHAM, FRAN LANGFORD, and PETER R. RAMIREZ, individually and in their official capacities as jailers, deputy jailers, or other employees of the Sheriff's Department, County of Glenn, California; JANE HAHN, individually and in her official capacity as Chief Probation Officer of the County of Glenn, California;

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GEORGE A. EDWARDS, GEORGE F. PRIDE, JOE WILLIAMS, and KEITH C. HANSEN, individually and in their official capacities as past and present members of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Glenn, California;

Defendants.

INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

1. This is a civil rights action for damages resulting from the wrongful death of a 15 year—old girl, Kathy Robbins, in the Glenn County Jail on August 29, 1984. The Glenn County Jail is a county—operated facility, located at 543 West Oak Street, Willows, California, that defendants use to incarcerate juveniles and adult inmates. Lillian Robbins, as administratrix of the estate of Kathy Robbins, brings claims of Kathy Robbins, for unlawful and unconstitutional treatment at the hands of defendants, that survive her death. Lillian Robbins and James Robbins, Sr., as surviving heirs of Kathy Robbins, bring wrongful death claims for their own loss and injuries resulting from the death of their daughter.

JURISDICTION

- 2. This Court has jurisdiction of this action under 28 U.S.C. 8 1343(3), this being an action to redress the deprivation, under color of state law, of rights secured by the Constitution of the United States and the Civil Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. 8 1983.
- 3. This Court also has jurisdiction of this action under 28 U.S.C. 8 1343(4), this being an action to recover damages under acts of Congress providing for the protection of civil rights, specifically the Civil Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. 8 1983.

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4. This Court also has jurisdiction of this action under 28 U.S.C.8 1331(a), this being an action wherein the matter in controversy arises under the Constitution and Laws of the United States.

PLAINTIFFS

- 5. LILLIAN ROBBINS is administratrix of the estate of Kathy Robbins, deceased.
- 6. LILLIAN ROBBINS is also the surviving mother and heir of Kathy Robbins, and is a citizen of the United States. At all times relevant hereto, she has resided in the County of Glenn, California.
- 7. JAMES ROBBINS, SR., is the surviving father and heir of the deceased, Kathy Robbins, and a citizen of the United States. At all times relevant hereto, he has resided in the State of Nevada.

DEFENDANTS

- 8. Defendant COUNTY OF GLENN, CALIFORNIA is a local unit of government in the State of California. The policies and practices of the defendants complained of herein represent customs and usages of defendant COUNTY OF GLENN, CALIFORNIA.
- 9. Defendant ROGER L. ROBERTS is, and was at the time of Kathy Robbins's death, the Sheriff of the County of Glenn, California. In his capacity as sheriff, defendant is responsible under, inter alia, 8 4000 of the California Penal Code, and 8 26605 of the California Government Code, for the overall operation and administration of the Glenn County Jail and the safety and welfare of inmates incarcerated therein. Defendant is sued individually and in his official capacity.

- 10. Defendants C.B. HARRISON, TODD JAMES, VIRGINIA COLLINS, JOHN EDWARDS, J.L. BRANDENBERGER, DIANA KILLEBREW, BECKY BARTUCCO, VIRGINIA INGRAHAM, FRAN LANGFORD, and PETER RAMIREZ are, and were at the time of Kathy Robbins's death, jailers, deputy jailers, and other employees of the Glenn County Sheriff's Department. In such capacities, they are responsible for the day-to-day operation of the Glenn County Jail and the safety and welfare of inmates incarcerated therein. Defendants are sued individually and in their official capacities.
- 11. Defendant JANE HAHN is, and was at the time of Kathy Robbins's death, the Chief Probation Officer of the County of Glenn, California. In this capacity, she is responsible under, <u>inter alia</u>, **85** 628, 852, and 854 of the California Welfare and Institutions Code, for detaining minors in the Glenn County Jail. Defendant is sued individually and in her official capacity.
- 12. Defendants GEORGE A. EDWARDS, GEORGE F. PRIDE, JOE WILLIAMS, and KEITH C. HANSEN were, at the time of Kathy Robbins's death, members of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Glenn, California. As such, these defendants exercise the powers of the County of Glenn and are responsible under, inter alia, 88 850, 851, 853 and 870 of the California Welfare and Institutions Code 88 25351, 25380, 25382, and 29602 of the California Government Code, and 8 4015 of the California Penal Code for establishing, providing, maintaining, and operating a suitable house or place for the detention of persons alleged to come within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, and for maintaining, operating, and staffing the Glenn County Jail. These defendants are sued individually and in their official capacities.

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FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 13. On Saturday, August 25, 1984, at approximately 12:30 a.m., while walking down the street with a girlfriend in Orland, California, plaintiffs' decedent Kathy Robbins, who had been reported as a runaway, was taken into custody by Officer Eric Vining of the Orland Police Department, placed in handcuffs, and transported to the Glenn County Jail.
- 14. When Kathy Robbins and Officer Vining arrived at the Glenn County Jail on August 25, 1984, defendants refused to contact Kathy's mother, to release Kathy to her mother or other members of her family, or to place her in a non-secure alternative to the jail such as Glenn House, a group home in nearby Orland, California.
- 15. On August 25, 1984, when Kathy Robbins was taken into custody, there was space available at Glenn House, and Kathy could have been placed there.
- 16. When Kathy Robbins arrived at the Glenn County Jail on August 25, 1984, defendants decided to incarcerate her in the jail. They conducted a strip search of her person, then lodged her alone in a male juvenile cell in the jail. Although she manifested physical indications of previous suicide attempts, defendants locked her up by herself in an isolated cell.
- 17. The cell in which defendants lodged Kathy Robbins measures approximately twelve feet by twelve feet and nine feet, eight inches in height. It has a solid steel door with a small mesh screen window, which measures approximately $3-1/2 \times 5-3/4$ inches. The window is five feet from the floor. The cell contains two metal bunk beds, a table and bench, a toilet and a shower space. At the time of Kathy Robbins's death, there

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was a metal guardrail attached to the top bunk of each bed.

- 18. Defendants incarcerated Kathy Robbins in the male juvenile cell at the Glenn County Jail from Saturday morning, August 25, 1984, to Wednesday, August 29, 1984, at 8:30 a.m., when they took her to a detention hearing in Juvenile Court. At that hearing, defendant HAHN recommended that Kathy remain in custody until September 7, 1984. The Juvenile Court ordered that the matter be continued to a later date and that Kathy remain incarcerated in the jail. Defendants then returned Kathy to the male juvenile cell at the Glenn County Jail.
- 19. On Wednesday, August 29, 1984, at approximately 5:40 p.m., defendant VIRGINIA COLLINS found Kathy Robbins unconscious and hanging in a kneeling position from the guardrail of the top bunkbed by a sheet wrapped around her neck. Defendant COLLINS left Kathy Robbins hanging from the bunkbed and went to summon defendants JOHN EDWARDS and J.L. BRANDENBERGER. Defendants EDWARDS and BRANDENBERGER released Kathy Robbins from the bunkbed and called for medical assistance. Kathy Robbins was transported to Glenn General Hospital where medical staff attempted to resuscitate her. At approximately 7:04 p.m., Kathy Robbins was pronounced dead.
- 20. At the time Kathy Robbins was taken into custody on August 25, 1984, defendants failed and refused to notify her mother, LILLIAN ROBBINS, that she was incarcerated in the Glenn County Jail.
- 21. From the time of Kathy Robbins' initial incarceration in the Glenn County Jail on August 25, 1984, until her death on August 29, 1984, defendants failed and refused to facilitate contacts between Kathy Robbins and her mother, LILLIAN ROBBINS.
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County Jail on August 25, 1984, until her death on August 29, 1984, defendants failed and refused to allow plaintiff LILLIAN ROBBINS to visit her daughter except for a short visit on Monday, August 27, 1984.

- 23. From the time of Kathy Robbins's initial incarceration in the Glenn County Jail until her death on August 29, 1984, defendants failed and refused to deliver to her telephone messages that had been left by her mother, LILLIAN ROBBINS.
- 24. From the time of Kathy Robbins's initial incarceration in the Glenn County Jail until her death on August 29, 1984, defendants failed and refused to deliver to her reading materials that had been left for her by her mother, LILLIAN ROBBINS.
- 25. From the time of Kathy Robbins's initial incarceration in the Glenn County Jail until her death on August 29, 1984, defendants failed and refused to provide her with adequate clothing. Instead, defendants required Kathy to wear jail-issue inmate jumpsuits.
- 26. From the time of Kathy Robbins's initial incarceration in the Glenn County Jail until her death on August 29, 1984, defendants failed to prevent her from coming or remaining in contact with adult inmates in the Glenn County Jail. Instead, defendants allowed and authorized adult inmates to have direct contact with Kathy.
- 27. Defendants failed to conduct adequate medical and psychological screening of Kathy Robbins at the time she was initially incarcerated in the Glenn County Jail. Defendants failed to observe, note, and act upon physical indications that Kathy Robbins had previously attempted to commit suicide. Defendants failed to take reasonable precautions to prevent Kathy Robbins from committing suicide.

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- 28. From the time of Kathy Robbins's initial incarceration in the Glenn County Jail until her death on August 29, 1984, defendants failed to conduct adequate monitoring of Kathy in her cell in order to insure her safety and protect her from harm. Defendants failed to conduct any visual observation of Kathy Robbins for intervals of up to several hours.
- 29. From the time of Kathy Robbins's initial incarceration in the Glenn County Jail until her death on August 29, 1984, defendants failed to provide Kathy with adequate medical and mental health services.
- 30. From the time of Kathy Robbins's initial incarceration in the Glenn County Jail until her death on August 29, 1984, defendants failed to provide adequately trained staff for Kathy's care and custody.
- 31. From the time of Kathy Robbins's initial incarceration in the Glenn County Jail until her death on August 29, 1984, defendants failed to provide adequate supervision of the staff and employees who were responsible for Kathy's care and custody.
- 32. From the time of Kathy Robbins's initial incarceration in the Glenn County Jail until her death on August 29, 1984, defendants incarcerated Kathy in a filthy, dark, depressing, isolated, prison-like cell.
- 33. From the time of Kathy Robbins's initial incarceration in the Glenn County Jail until her death on August 29, 1984, Kathy was subjected to harassment, psychological abuse, and initimidation by defendants, including threats of extensive incarceration in the jail.
- 34. From the time of Kathy Robbins' initial incarceration in the Glenn County Jail until her death on August 29, 1984, defendants failed and refused to provide Kathy with any opportunities for exercise or recreation.
 - 35. From the time of Kathy Robbins's initial incarceration in the Glenn

County Jail until her death on August 29, 1984, defendants failed and refused to provide Kathy with any programming, regular activities, or materials to occupy her time. Instead, defendants required Kathy to spend hours and days alone in a bare cell with nothing to do.

36. Prior to the death of Kathy Robbins, defendants received a report dated October 12, 1983, entitled "Final Report on the Jail Needs Assessment Study, Glenn County, Willows, California." The report was prepared by Hughes, Heiss & Associates of San Mateo, California, and by Patrick Sullivan & Associates of San Luis Obispo, California. The report included a chapter on "Evaluation of the Existing Jail Facility." The first section of the evaluation chapter began with the statement, "1. AS CURRENTLY STRUCTURED, THE JAIL MAKES MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF THE INMATE POPULATION DIFFICULT." The section stated:

The configuration of available housing space makes segregation of the inmate population extremely difficult if not impossible.
... The ability to segregate the population reflecting the above listed needs makes it difficult for the sheriff to ensure the safety of either the custodial staff or the inmate population.

The existing facility configuration is extremely inefficient from the staffing perspective. The jail is divided into a number of distinct areas which cannot be observed by staff from any central location. As a result, it is extremely difficult for existing staff to manage and observe the inmate population. . . .

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The jail lacks a minimal medical examining facility. . . .

The facility fails to provide equal housing opportunities for female inmates. As currently structured, it is extremely difficult to provide female inmates equal access to outdoor recreation. Location of the exercise yard adjacent to the male housing area makes it extremely difficult to employ the area for outdoor exercise for female inmates.

It is extremely difficult to maintain the sight and sound separation for juvenile inmates when they are housed in the

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main jail which are required by law. If the sight and sound segregation standards are met through locking doors dividing the juvenile section from the remainder of the jail, observation and control of juveniles inmates for safety purposes is extremely difficult.

The section concluded, "In short, as currently configured, the jail is essentially inconsistent with efficient detention and correction operations. The inability to segregate the inmate population poses potential inmate safety problems and raises potential county liability issues should serious inmate injuries or assaults occur."

- 37. The second section of the evaluation chapter of the October, 1983, report on the Glenn County Jail began with the statement, "2. THE EXISTING JAIL FACILITY IS CHARACTERIZED BY SERIOUS FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY PROBLEMS," and discussed the fire and life safety deficiencies in the jail.
- 38. The third section of the evaluation chapter of the October, 1983, report on the Glenn County Jail began with the statement, "3. FACILITY OPERATING SYSTEMS ARE SERIOUSLY DETERIORATED AND NEED TO BE REPLACED OR REPAIRED." The section stated, "The entire plumbing system has seriously deteriorated, breaks down frequently, and presents a continuing health problem for both staff and inmates." The section also discussed the deficiencies in the electrical system in the jail.
- 39. The evaluation chapter of the October, 1983, report on the Glenn County Jail stated, "[T]he facility does not meet current Board of Corrections standards for housing immates for extended periods in local detention facilities."
- 40. Although the defendants had notice of the health and safety deficiencies of the Glenn County Jail long before the death of Kathy Robbins, through the October, 1983, report on the Glenn County Jail, they

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 failed and refused to take adequate steps to remedy those deficiencies. Such failure and refusal by the defendants subjected Kathy Robbins to serious health and safety dangers.

- 41. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to detain and incarcerate juveniles at the Glenn County Jail.
- 42. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to transport juveniles to the Glenn County Jail in handcuffs.
- 43. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to delay contacting the parents of juveniles detained at the Glenn County Jail.
- 44. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to refuse to release juveniles detained at the Glenn County Jail to family members or to place them in non-secure alternatives to the jail.
- 45. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to incarcerate juveniles in filthy, dark, depressing, isolated, prison-like cells in the Glenn County Jail.
- 46. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to subject juveniles to strip searches prior to their incarceration at the Glenn County Jail.
- 47. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to fail to conduct adequate medical and psychological screening of juveniles incarcerated at the Glenn County Jail.
- 48. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to maintain a cell in the Glenn County Jail for the incarceration of juveniles, and to incarcerate juveniles therein, which measures approximately twelve feet by twelve feet and nine feet, eight inches in height, with a solid steel door with a small mesh window measuring approximately 3-1/2

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by 5-3/4 inches which is five feet from the floor, and containing a table, bench, toilet, shower space, and two metal bunkbeds with metal guardrails attached to the top bunk.

- 49. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to continue to incarcerate juveniles in the Glenn County Jail following the juvenile's detention hearing in Juvenile Court.
- 50. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to unreasonably restrict contacts between juveniles incarcerated at the Glenn County Jail and their parents.
- 51. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to refuse to deliver phone messages from parents to juveniles incarcerated at the Glenn County Jail.
- 52. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to refuse to deliver reading materials provided by their parents to juveniles incarcerated at the Glenn County Jail.
- 53. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to require juveniles incarcerated at the Glenn County Jail to wear inadequate jail-issue inmate jumpsuits.
- 54. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to allow juveniles incarcerated at the Glenn County Jail to have direct contact with adult inmates in the jail.
- 55. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to fail to take adequate precautions to prevent juveniles incarcerated at the Glenn County Jail from committing suicide.
- 56. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to fail to adequately observe, note, or act upon indications that a juvenile

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incarcerated at .pa the Glenn County Jail may have suicidal tendencies.

- 57. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to fail to conduct adequate monitoring or visual observations of juveniles incarcerated at the Glenn County Jail.
- 58. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to fail to provide juveniles incarcerated at the Glenn County Jail with adequate medical and mental health services.
- 59. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to fail to provide adequately trained staff for the care and custody of juveniles incarcerated at the Glenn County Jail.
- 60. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to fail to provide adequate supervision of the staff and employees at the Glenn County Jail.
- 61. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to subject juveniles incarcerated at the Glenn County Jail to harrassment, psychological abuse, intimidation, and threats of extensive incarceration.
- 62. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to fail to provide juveniles incarcerated in the Glenn County Jail with opportunities for exercise or recreation or with materials to occupy their time.
- 63. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to fail to ensure the safety of either the custodial staff or the inmate population at the Glenn County Jail.
- 64. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to incarcerate juveniles in the Glenn County Jail, even though it is extremely difficult for staff to manage and observe juveniles in the jail.
 - 65. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to

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incarcerate female juveniles in the Glenn County Jail, even though the jail lacks adequate housing for female juveniles.

- 66. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to incarcerate juveniles in the Glenn County Jail, even though the jail lacks a minimal medical examining facility.
- 67. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to incarcerate juveniles in the Glenn County Jail, even though it is extremely difficult to provide female inmates in the jail with access to outdoor recreation.
- 68. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to incarcerate juveniles in the Glenn County Jail, even though it is extremely difficult, if not impossible, to maintain sight and sound separation between juvenile and adult inmates.
- 69. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to incarcerate juveniles in the Glenn County Jail, even though adequate observation and control of juvenile immates for safety purposes is extremely difficult, if not impossible, in the jail.
- 70. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to incarcerate juveniles in the Glenn County Jail, even though the jail poses severe problems for inmate safety.
- 71. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to incarcerate juveniles in the Glenn County Jail, even though the jail contains serious fire and life safety problems.
- 72. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to incarcerate juveniles is the Glenn County Jail, even though the jail contains seriously deteriorating plumbing and electrical systems that

present continuing health problems for both staff and inmates.

- 73. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to incarcerate juveniles in the Glenn County Jail, even though the jail does not meet current Board of Correction standards for housing inmates for extended periods in local detention facilities.
- 74. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to incarcerate juveniles in the Glenn County Jail, even though the jail is not operated in a manner consistent with the juveniles' safety and well-being.
- 75. It is the policy, practice, and custom of defendants to allow the deficiencies noted in the October, 1983, evaluation of the Glenn County Jail to continue without taking adequate steps to remedy them.
- 76. As a proximate result of the foregoing policies, practices, acts and omissions of the defendants, plaintiffs' decedent Kathy Robbins suffered fatal injuries.

LEGAL CLAIMS

- 77. For plaintiffs' legal claims, each enumerated below, they reallege Paragraphs 1 through 76 above, as if fully set forth herein, in each and every statement of claim, and further allege:
- 78. Since at least October, 1983, defendants have had actual notice that the Glenn County Jail was not operated in a manner consistent with the safety and well-being of juveniles incarcerated therein.
- 79. Defendants were responsible for the following policies, practices, acts, or omissions regarding plaintiffs' decedent Kathy Robbins:
 - a. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous

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indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing and refusing to notify Kathy's mother, LILLIAN ROBBINS, that Kathy was incarcerated in the Glenn County Jail.

- b. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing and refusing to facilitate contacts or visits between Kathy and her mother.
- c. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing and refusing to allow Kathy's mother to visit Kathy except for a short visit on Monday, August 27, 1984.
- d. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing and refusing to deliver to Kathy telephone messages that had been left by her mother.
- e. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing and refusing to deliver to Kathy reading materials that had been left for her by her mother.
- f. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing and refusing to provide Kathy with adequate clothing, but, instead, requiring Kathy to wear jail—issue inmate jumpsuits.
- g. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing to prevent Kathy from coming or remaining in contact with adult immates, but, instead, allowing and authorizing adult immates to have direct contact with Kathy.

h. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing to conduct adequate medical and psychological screening of Kathy at the time she was initially incarcerated; failing to observe, note, and act upon physical indications that Kathy had previously attempted to commit suicide; and failing to take reasonable precautions to prevent Kathy Robbins from committing suicide.

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- i. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing to conduct adequate monitoring of Kathy in her cell in order to insure her safety and protect her from harm.
- j. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing to provide Kathy with adequate medical and mental health services.
- k. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing to provide adequately trained staff for Kathy's care and custody.
- 1. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing to provide adequate supervision of the staff and employees who were responsible for Kathy's care and custody.
- m. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, incarcerating Kathy in a filthy, depressing, isolated, prison-like cell.
- n. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, intentionally, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, subjecting

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Kathy to harassment, psychological abuse, and intimidation.

- o. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing and refusing to provide Kathy with opportunities for exercise or recreation.
- p. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing and refusing to provide Kathy with any programming, regular activities, or materials to occupy her time, but, instead, requiring Kathy to spend hours and days in jail in a bare cell with nothing to do.
- q. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, maintiaining a juvenile cell with a guardrail that enabled Kathy to commit suicide.
- r. Negligently, carelessly, recklessly, and with callous indifference to the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins, failing and refusing to take adequate steps to remedy the deficiencies in the Glenn County Jail that had been noted in the October, 1983, evaluation report.
- 80. Defendants engaged in a course of conduct with respect to Kathy Robbins that was willful, wanton, and grossly negligent, and so blatantly indifferent to her rights and safety as to evidence intentional maltreatment.
- 81. As a direct and proximate result of defendants' willful, reckless, and deliberate failure to properly maintain and supervise juveniles in the Glenn County Jail, Kathy Robbins died in her cell at the
 jail on August 29, 1984.
- 82. As a direct and proximate result of the aforementioned policies, practices, acts and omissions of the defendants Kathy Robbins

died in her cell at the jail on August 29, 1984.

LEGAL CLAIMS OF PLAINTIFF LILLIAN ROBBINS AS ADMINISTRATRIX OF THE ESTATE OF KATHY ROBBINS

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- 83. For plaintiff's legal claims, plaintiff realleges paragraphs 1 through 82 above, as if fully set forth herein, and further alleges:
- 84. The policies, practices, acts, and omissions of the defendants complained of herein constituted punishment of Kathy Robbins during her arrest, incarceration, and confinement in the Glenn County Jail, and violated Kathy Robbins's constitutional right to due process of law.

LEGAL CLAIMS OF LILLIAN ROBBINS AND JAMES ROBBINS, SR., AS SURVIVING PARENTS AND HEIRS OF KATHY ROBBINS

- 85. For plaintiffs' legal claims, plaintiffs reallege paragraphs 1 through 82 above, as if fully set forth herein, and further allege:
- 86. The policies, practices, acts, and omissions of the defendants complained of herein deprived plaintiffs of their parental relationship with their daughter, Kathy Robbins, and caused her wrongful death, and violated plaintiffs' constitutional right to due process of law.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, plaintiffs pray that this Court:

- A. Assume jurisdiction of this action;
- B. Award LILLISN ROBBINS, as administratrix of the estate of Kathy Robbins:
- 1. General damages against each of the defendants in the amount of \$1,000,000, or such damages as may be proved at trial, for the pain, suffering, and injuries to which they subjected Kathy Robbins during her lifetime.
 - 2. Punitive damages against each of the defendants, except

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defendant COUNTY OF GLENN, CALIFORNIA, in the amount of \$9,000,000, or such damages as may be proved at trial, for the willful, wanton, reckless, and deliberate disregard of the rights and safety of Kathy Robbins. Such punitive damages are necessary to penalize defendants and their agents for such conduct.

- C. Award LILLIAN ROBBINS and JAMES ROBBINS, SR., as surviving parents and heirs of Kathy Robbins:
- 1. General damages against each of the defendants in the amount of \$1,000,000, or such damages as may be proved at trial, for the severe emotional and physical distress, anxiety, and anguish plaintiffs suffered by reason of the death of Kathy Robbins, as well as for the deprivation of decedent's care, support, comfort, society, counsel, financial support and contributions, future earnings, services, companionship, protection, guidance, and advice.
- 2. Special damages against each of the defendants in the amount of \$2,000, or such damages as may be proved at trial, for funeral costs and other final expenses of the decedent.
- 3. Deterrent damages against each of the defendants in the amount of \$9,000,000, or such damages as may be proved at trial, to deter defendants and their agents from such conduct in the future and to deter others from similar conduct.
- D. Award plaintiffs the costs of this proceeding, including attorney's fees and such other and further relief as to this Court

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seems just and proper.

Dated this 6th day of September, 1985.

GREER M. SMITH

Attorney for Plaintiffs

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the following document was mailed to:

Leonard G. Krup Frost, Krup and Atlas 134 West Sycamore Street Willows, California 95988

postage prepaid, by United States Mail, on this 9th day of September, 1985:

AMENDED CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES.

DATED: September 9, 1985.

NANCY E. JACOT

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