UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH DISTRICT

DENNIS HOLLINGSWORTH, et al.

No. 10-70063

Petitioners,

D.C. No. 3:09-cv-02292-VRW Northern District of California,

VS.

San Francisco

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

Respondent,

KIRSTEN M. PERRY, et al.

Real Parties in Interest.

RESPONSE OF REAL PARTY IN INTEREST/DEFENDANT PATRICK O'CONNELL, ALAMEDA COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER, TO PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS

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Patrick O'Connell, Alameda County Clerk-Recorder, does not oppose the petition in question.

Respectfully submitted, this 8th day of January, 2010

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