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6 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
7 **FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**
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9 Helen Doe, et al.,

10 Plaintiffs,

11 v.

12 Thomas C Horne, et al.,

13 Defendants.
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No. CV-23-00185-TUC-JGZ

ORDER

15 Pending before the Court is Plaintiffs' Motion to Proceed Via Pseudonym. (Doc. 2.)
16 Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 5.2(e), Plaintiffs Jane Doe and Megan Roe
17 request leave to proceed using pseudonyms for themselves and their respective parents,
18 Helen Doe and James Doe, and Kate Roe and Robert Roe, to protect their identities from
19 public disclosure. Plaintiffs do not object to revealing their identities to Defendants under
20 an appropriate protective order. (*Id.* at 11.) Defendant The Gregory School does not oppose
21 the Motion. (Doc. 23.) No other defendants have responded and the time for doing so has
22 expired.

23 Having reviewed the Motion and accompanying declarations in support, (Docs. 2,
24 4–9), the Court finds that Plaintiffs reasonably fear severe harm in the form of lost privacy,
25 discrimination, and harassment if their names and gender identities are publicly disclosed
26 because they and their families are likely to face greater threats of retaliation than the
27 typical plaintiffs in civil litigation. *See Does I thru XXIII v. Advanced Textile Corp.*, 214
28 F.3d 1058, 1067–68 (9th Cir. 2000). Here, the need for anonymity outweighs any prejudice

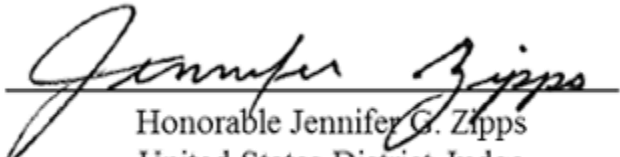
1 to Defendants and is in the public interest. *Doe v. Ayers*, 789 F.3d 944, 945 (9th Cir. 2015).

2 Thus, there being no opposition and good cause appearing,

3 **IT IS ORDERED** that Plaintiffs’ Motion to Proceed Via Pseudonym (Doc. 2) is
4 **GRANTED**. Plaintiffs Jane Doe and Megan Roe, and their parents and next friends, Helen
5 Doe, James Doe, Kate Roe, and Robert Roe, may proceed using pseudonyms in this matter.

6 Dated this 23rd day of May, 2023.

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Honorable Jennifer G. Zapps
United States District Judge