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## **VIA EFILING**

Magistrate Judge Laurel Beeler United States District Court Northern District of California 450 Golden Gate Avenue, 16th Floor San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Narog v. City of Redwood City, et al.

Case No.: C13-3237 DMR

Request to Excuse Defendant Officers from January 23, 2015 Settlement Conference

## Dear Judge Beeler:

Pursuant to your Notice and Order re Settlement Conference, the City of Redwood City respectfully requests that the four defendant officers be excused from attending the January 23, 2015 Continued Settlement Conference. The officers' attendance is not necessary because they do not have decision-making authority regarding settlement. Michael Leon Guerrero, the Assistant City Attorney for the City of Redwood City, will attend the conference and has settlement authority.

The defendant officers attended the initial settlement conference on December 8, 2014. It would be an unnecessary burden and expense to require attendance. One of the officers is retired and lives in Alabama. Moreover, it would be a burden for the City to have the three other officer defendants take the day off to attend the conference.

Plaintiff will not oppose this application.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Melissa M. Holmes

Dated: January 3, 2015

