## **EXHIBIT H**

## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

GEORGIA LATINO ALLIANCE \*
FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, et al., \*

Plaintiffs,

\*

V. \* 1:11-CV-1804-TWT

NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the \*
State of Georgia, et al., \*

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Defendants.

## AFFIDAVIT OF NEIL WARREN

Personally appears before me, the undersigned officer duly authorized to administer oath in and for the State of Georgia, Neil Warren, who, after being duly sworn, deposes and states his oath as follows:

1.

My name is Neil Warren. I am *sui juris* and competent to testify in this matter and under no civil or legal disability. I give this Affidavit as evidence in the above-styled action and for any lawful purpose. I make this Affidavit based on my personal knowledge of its contents.

2.

I am the duly elected Sheriff of Cobb County, Georgia. I have held this position since 2004 and am charged with enforcing the criminal and

traffic laws in Cobb County. Based upon the position I hold and the duties incumbent therein, I am familiar with some of the impact that illegal immigration has on Cobb County and its citizens.

3.

In 2007, the Cobb County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) became the first local law enforcement agency in Georgia to partner with Immigration & Customs Enforcement (ICE) to implement Section 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. Pursuant to agreement, the CCSO verifies the immigration status of all foreign nationals coming into jail custody charged with the violation of state law. The Sheriff's Office was already identifying foreign nationals coming into custody in order to comply with the provisions of the Vienna Convention and the Section 287(g) program was a natural extension of the existing program.

4.

Since the inception of the Section 287(g) Program in July of 2007, the CCSO has processed some 18,367 foreign nationals into jail custody. Of that number, approximately 9,817 have been transferred to ICE custody due to the fact that they were in the United States illegally. Most importantly, the number of foreign nationals coming into jail custody at the inception of the program has dropped from an average of 582 per month in 2007 to an

average of 255 per month during 2011. This decrease represents not only a cost savings of \$53/inmate day for housing but a significant decline in the number of foreign nationals violating the law and being processed through the justice system. I believe this decline to be a direct result of the 287g enforcement in the county.

5.

The Section 287(g) program and partnership with ICE has successfully leveraged local Cobb County resources to assist ICE in identifying foreign nationals that are in the United States illegally while dramatically lowering the number of individuals committing offenses and the cost of housing and processing these individuals through the justice system.

Further Affiant Saith Not.

Neil Warren

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Sworn to and prescribed before me this 4 day

NOTARY PUBLIC

Notary Public, Cobb County, Georgia My Commission Expires May 25, 2012