

DECLARATION OF EMAD SORROUSH

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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON**

STATE OF WASHINGTON, et. al.,

Plaintiff,

v.

DONALD TRUMP, et. al.,

Defendants.

**CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:17-cv-00141-JLR
DECLARATION OF EMAD SOROUSH**

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746(2), I Emad Soroush, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am originally from Iran.
2. I currently live in Seattle and work as a software engineer for Apple, Inc.
3. I came to the United States in October 2008 to pursue my graduate studies. Prior to arriving in the United States, I had completed a Master’s program in Canada.
4. In the United States, I received my Ph.D. in computer science and engineer from the University of Washington in 2014.

- 1 5. Although I originally came to the United States on a student visa, I won the Diversity Visa
2 Lottery and received a green card on May 2009.
- 3 6. I became a U.S. citizen in October 2014.
- 4 7. Soon after becoming a U.S. citizen, I petitioned for immigrant visas for my parents, who
5 still live in Iran.
- 6 8. In July 2016, because there is no U.S. embassy in Iran, my parents traveled to Yerevan,
7 Armenia for the consular interview. More than one year since that interview, my father's
8 application is still being processed.
- 9 9. And, now that the President has issued the September 24, 2017 Proclamation, I do not
10 believe I will ever be able to have my father come to the United States.
- 11 10. The Presidential Proclamation suspends the entry of all immigrants from Iran indefinitely,
12 i.e., forever.
- 13 11. I had been hoping to bring my father to live with me after their long struggles raising the
14 family in Iran. If the President Proclamation is implemented, I may have to move to
15 Canada in order for my family to be reunited.
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19 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

20 Executed on this 3rd day of October, 2017

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Emad Soroush

