## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY

JANE DOE 1, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

WILLIAM C. THORNBURY, JR., MD, in his official capacity as the President of the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civil No.: 3:23-CV-00230-DJH

## DECLARATION OF JOHN DOE 2 IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

- I, John Doe 2, hereby declare and state as follows:
- 1. I am over the age of 18, of sound mind, and in all respects competent to testify. I have personal knowledge of the information contained in this Declaration and would testify completely to those facts if called to do so.
- 2. I am a plaintiff in this Action and I am the parent and next friend of my minor child, John Minor ("JM") Doe 2, who is also a Plaintiff in this action.
  - 3. I currently reside in the Eastern District of Kentucky with my sister and son.
  - 4. My son, JM Doe 2, is a fifteen-year-old transgender boy.

Because of concerns about my child's privacy and safety, I have moved to proceed in this case under a pseudonym. *See Pls.' Mot. for Leave to Proc. Pseudonymously*, ECF No. 1. I have contemporaneously signed with my legal name a separate copy of this declaration. My attorneys have a copy of that separate declaration.

- 5. When JM Doe 2 was in the first grade he would occasionally ask to be called by a male name and male pronouns. He has always preferred "boy's" clothes, and, from a young age, periodically questioned whether something was "wrong" with him.
- 6. JM Doe 2 "came out" as a boy at home and at school in about the seventh or eighth grade. As part of his coming out process, JM Doe 2 cut his hair and began using male pronouns. He recently even obtained a legal name change. When JM Doe 2 began puberty and started menstruating, he felt depressed and distressed by the mismatch between his body and gender identity.
- 7. I have seen numerous healthcare professionals with JM Doe 2. After many evaluations and careful discussions regarding the risks and benefits of treatment, JM Doe 2 began receiving gender-affirming medications. He first began using birth control pills to stop his periods. He then began testosterone treatment. He continues to receive this care in Kentucky. He also sees a therapist.
- 8. Hormone therapy has significantly improved JM Doe 2's mood and sense of self. For instance, JM Doe 2 feels tremendous pride when he sees his body changing to match his male identity. I have never seen JM Doe 2 as happy as he is now that he is receiving the treatment. JM Doe 2 has not experienced any negative impact by the use of the hormone therapy.
- 9. I believe that if the Treatment Ban prevents JM Doe 2 from continuing with his treatment the birth control and testosterone that JM Doe 2 would revert to his previous mental state. JM Doe 2 has told me that he cannot imagine his life without this medical treatment. I do not know whether my family will be able to obtain this treatment out-of-state.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 22 <sup>nd</sup>	day of May	2023.
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/s/ John Doe 2 John Doe 2