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8 9	SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA	
9 10	FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO	
11		Case No.37-2012-00095108-CU-PO-CTL
12	JORGE DAVID A., a minor, by and through his Guardian Ad Litem Jorge A.;	SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES
13	Plaintiffs,	(DAMAGES IN EXCESS OF \$25,000)
14	V.	Judge: Hon. Ronald S. Prager
15	SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT; and DOES 1-50,	Department: C-71 Trial Date: April 26, 2013
16 17	Defendants.	
18	COMES NOW Plaintiff, JORGE DAVID A., a minor, by and through	
19	his Guardian Ad Litem JORGE A., and for causes of action against	
20	the Defendant, and each of them, alleges:	
21 22	GENERAL ALLEGATIONS	
22	1. Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A., a minor, by and through his	
24	Guardian Ad Litem JORGE A., hereinafter referred to as the "minor	
25	Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A.," was at all relevant times herein, a	
26	resident of the City of Imperial Beach, County of San Diego, State	
27	of California.	
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2. On April 11, 2012, JORGE A. was appointed Guardian Ad Litem for minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A., for the purpose of maintaining this action on his behalf.

3. Minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. has caused to be filed claims against Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT pursuant to Government Code Section 911.2. Prior to the filing of the original, First Amended and Second Amended Complaint, on or about November 22, 2011, minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A., by and through his parents JORGE and LAURA A., presented claims to the SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT. Minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A.'s claims were denied by letter on December 9, 2011. In addition, an amended claim and application to file late claim were filed on behalf of minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. on February 14, 2012. Said amended claim was denied on April 1, 2012.

4. On or about October 2, 2012 this Court signed an Order granting Plaintiff's Petition to relieve him of any claim filing responsibilities.

5. The true and correct names and/or capacities of DOES 1-50 are unknown and are being sued by said fictitious names. Minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. will amend this Complaint to set forth their true names and/or capacities once same are ascertained.

6. Minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. alleges that each of the
Defendants named herein as DOES 1-50, is in some way responsible
for the events, occurrences and injuries set forth herein and are,

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Minor Plaintiff 7. JORGE DAVID Α. alleges that all Defendants at all relevant times were and are employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers, servants, and/or principals of the other remaining Defendants and that all the acts or omissions herein alleged were done with the knowledge, consent or acquiescence of the remaining Defendants.

8. At all relevant times, the employees, agents, volunteers, aides, and/or independent contractors of Defendants SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and DOES 1-50 were acting within the course and scope of their employment.

9. Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT at all times 16 herein mentioned, was and is a public governmental entity that 18 operates, owns, runs, exclusively controls, manages and supervises IMPERIAL BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, a public school within the 20 district of Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and is located at 650 Imperial Beach Blvd, Imperial Beach, California. 22

Defendant employees, agents, independent contractors, 10. 23 volunteers and aides at all times herein mentioned, who were in the 24 course and scope of their employment with Defendant at the time of 25 26 the INCIDENT, include but are not limited to: Magdalena Castillo, 27 Gloria Chavez, Ermelinda Magana, Donna Neahaus, Karen Mayor, Marni

Cavanaugh, Dawn Christopher, Gilbert Luna, Dawn Minutelli, and Russell Coronado.

11. At all times mentioned herein, including but not limited to June 2, 2011, the minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A., was a 12 yearold developmentally and physically disabled, special education student on the premises of, and under the supervision and exclusive control of Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT with their permission and consent.

12. Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT, and their employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides once they undertook to provide education and supervision to minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A., owed a duty to minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. to make the public school safe.

13. At all relevant times herein, Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and their employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides had a special relationship with minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A., a 12 year-old physically and developmentally disabled special education student, and were aware of his unique vulnerabilities, limitations, and disabilities, and owed him all of the duties and responsibilities commensurate with the law and that special relationship. 24

14. On June 2, 2011, during regular school hours, employees, 25 26 agents, independent contractors, volunteers, aides, and or other 27 individuals under the exclusive control of the Defendant SOUTH BAY

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UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT, breached the duties and responsibilities commensurate with the law and that special relationship by failing, amongst other actions, to utilize ordinary care.

15. Violations of mandatory duties imposed by law and referenced under Government Code Section 815.6, and other statutes, codes, ordinances, and enactments including, but not limited to, the California Constitution, California Government and Education codes and the California Code of Regulations, furnish the basis for the conduct alleged and the relief sought.

At all times herein relevant, Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION 16. SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides and DOES 1-50, had specific accident and medical emergency procedures for staff to follow. The rules clearly indicate that staff members and/or employees, agents, independent contractors, and volunteers must call the school nurse, not leave the injured child/person and must not the injured move Additionally, the principal is required to call 911, child/person. even before notifying parents or guardians.

17. At the time and place as stated herein, the un-witnessed accident of June 2, 2011 and the injuries stemming therefrom are of the type that would not occur without someone's negligence.

18. The injuries and damages suffered by the minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. were not due in any part, to any voluntary action or contribution by him.

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19. Minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A.'s claims for damages exceed the \$25,000 jurisdiction of the limited jurisdiction courts.

#### I. FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

#### Vicarious Liability of Public Employees - Government Code § 815.2

20. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates paragraphs 1 through 19 as if set forth fully herein.

21. On June 2, 2011, minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. was led to, taken to, and/or placed, on the school playground in an assisted standing device in an unsupervised area of IMPERIAL BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL by employees, agents, independent contractors, aides and volunteers under the exclusive control of Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT.

22. At all relevant times, this assisted standing device was under the exclusive control and possession of Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides who provided, operated, controlled, improperly adjusted, secured, fitted, maintained, serviced, and repaired the device utilized by minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. on June 2, 2011.

23. On June 2, 2011, the employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides of Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT failed to utilize ordinary care in properly supervising, monitoring, protecting, and overseeing its pupils and students, allowing the assisted standing device to fall over, be pushed over, be knocked over, or be tipped over, causing minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. to crash onto a hard outdoor concrete surface, striking his head and other parts of his body.

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24. Such negligent conduct included, but was not limited to: failing to adequately supervise children, placing minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. in harms way despite knowing that he was unable to defend, protect, and adequately care for himself; failing to follow proper and safe supervision protocol and procedure before the fall; failing to follow proper and safe protocol and procedure after the fall; failing to recognize the signs of serious injury to minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A.; failing to report the severity of minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A.'s injury to medical personnel; failing to see that minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. received the necessary and appropriate attention, care and/or treatment.

25. In addition, minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. alleges that on June 2, 2011, IMPERIAL BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL was not properly staffed, and/or trained and included the presence of a substitute teacher who was not properly supervised, qualified, competent or trained in handling, supervising, and protecting physically and developmentally disabled students such as minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A..

26. Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT, by and through
its agents, servants, employees, aides, independent contractors,
and volunteers, negligently failed to provide adequate supervision

and training of its teachers, staff, employees, agents, independent contractors, and volunteers, to protect students, including minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A..

27. At the time and place stated, no one, including any employees, agents, independent contractors, and volunteers of Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT was near enough to minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. to prevent the accident or observe minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A.'s skull or other parts of his body strike the hard outdoor concrete surface.

28. At the time and place as stated herein, no one, including employees, agents, independent contractors, and volunteers of Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT, reported to any medical first aid responder, parent, nurse, or any other medical provider that minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A.'s head had come in contact with the hard outdoor concrete surface.

29. Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides by their conduct led medical first aid responders, parents, nurses, staff members, or other medical providers to believe that minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. did not hit his head on the hard outdoor concrete surface, despite not knowing whether minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. had or had not struck his head on the hard outdoor concrete surface. All of the above conduct caused further injuries and damages.

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30. On June 2, 2011, the employees, agents, independent contractors, aides and volunteers of the Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT violated the law in the course and scope of their employment, causing Defendant to be vicariously liable under the above referenced California Government Code Section 815.2, and other statutes including but limited to California Education Code Section 44807 by failing to or negligently and carelessly organizing, promoting, sponsoring, holding pupils accountable for their actions, managing, monitoring, and supervising the playground/open area activities at IMPERIAL BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

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its 31. Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and 14 employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides 15 and DOES 1-50, are vicariously liable for the acts and omissions of 16 each and every one of their employees, agents, independent 17 18 contractors, and volunteers that subjected minor Plaintiff JORGE 19 DAVID A. to a clearly foreseeable risk of harm and likelihood of 20 sustaining serious injuries.

32. As a direct and proximate cause of the aforementioned unlawful and negligent conduct by Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT, and/or its employees, agents, independent contractors, aides and volunteers, minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. suffered catastrophic and traumatic brain injuries from which he will never recover.

33. As a direct and proximate result of the above mentioned unlawful conduct and negligent acts and omissions of Defendant SCHOOL DISTRICT SOUTH BAY UNION employees, and its agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides and DOES 1-50, minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. was injured in his health, strength, and activity, sustaining injury to his body and shock and injury to his nervous system and person, all of which injuries have caused and continue to cause minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. great mental, physical, emotional and nervous pain and suffering. These injuries have resulted in permanent disability to him. As a result, minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. has suffered general damages.

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34. As a direct and proximate result of the above negligent acts and omissions of Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides and DOES 1-50, minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. was injured in his health, strength, and activity, sustaining shock and injury to his body and brain, all of which injuries have caused and continue to cause him physical, mental, and emotional damages in an amount which will be shown according to proof.

35. As a further direct and proximate result of the above negligent acts and omissions of Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides and DOES 1-50, minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A., and/or his family, was required to and did employ physicians and

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surgeons for medical examination, treatment, surgery, and care of these injuries, and did incur medical and incidental expenses and losses of an amount presently unknown to Plaintiff. Plaintiff therefore asks leave of Court either to amend this Complaint to show this amount of medical and incidental expenses, when ascertained, or to prove this amount at trial.

36. As a further proximate result of the unlawful conduct and 8 9 negligence of Defendant, and each of them, minor Plaintiff JORGE 10 DAVID A. has incurred other expenses and will incur further 11 medical, educational, incidental and transportation expenses for 12 the care and treatment of the injuries to minor Plaintiff JORGE 13 DAVID A.. Minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. does not know at this time 14 the exact amount of expenses that have been incurred and that will 15 be incurred in the future. Minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. therefore 16 asks leave of Court either to amend this Complaint to show the 17 18 amount of these expenses, when ascertained, or to prove this amount 19 at trial.

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### II. SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

#### Negligent Supervision - Government Code § 815.2

23 37. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates paragraphs 1 24 through 36 as if set forth fully herein.

25 38. Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its 26 employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides 27 created and allowed a dangerous condition and foreseeable risk of

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harm to exist by leaving minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. in an unsupervised area known to be used by children who were running, jumping, pushing, or otherwise playing, in close proximity to minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A., despite their knowing he was unable to defend, protect and adequately care for himself.

39. While on the playground during the lunch recess at IMPERIAL BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL on June 2, 2011, minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A., was improperly secured into his assisted standing device by Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides and was pushed over or knocked over or tipped over, causing minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. to fall and hit his head and other parts of his body on a hard outdoor concrete surface.

On June 2, 2011, the employees, agents, independent 40. 16 contractors, and volunteers of Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL 17 18 DISTRICT and DOES 1-50, and each of them, negligently, carelessly, 19 and recklessly organized, sponsored, managed, monitored, and 20 supervised the playground/open area activities at IMPERIAL BEACH 21 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Such negligent conduct included, but was not 22 limited to: failing to adequately supervise children during the 23 lunch recess, including minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A.; placing 24 minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. in harms way despite knowing that he 25 26 was unable to defend, protect, and adequately care for himself; 27 failing to follow proper and safe supervision protocol and

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procedure before the fall; failing to follow proper and safe protocol and procedure after the fall; failing to recognize the signs of serious injury to minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A.; failing to report the severity of minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A.'s injury to medical personnel; failing to see that minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. received the necessary and appropriate attention, care and/or treatment.

9 41. Further conduct, actions and omissions of the employees, 10 agents, independent contractors, aides and volunteers of Defendant 11 SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and DOES 1-50, and each of them, 12 that give rise to liability include: negligent hiring of employees, 13 agents, independent contractors, and volunteers, teachers, and 14 substitute teachers; negligently failing to establish and/or 15 enforce rules, regulations, protocols, standards and procedures 16 determining conduct of students and pupils on the playground; 17 18 negligently training agents and employees, agents, independent 19 contractors, and volunteers in handling, supervising, and 20 physically and developmentally disabled protecting special 21 education students such as minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A.; 22 negligently failing to adequately train agents, servants, 23 employees, agents, independent contractors, and volunteers to 24 recognize and timely address and treat symptoms of serious and 25 26 life-threatening head injuries such as those that occur during 27 playground/open area activities.

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42. As a direct and legal result of the aforementioned acts and omissions by Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides, and DOES 1-50, minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. sustained serious permanent injuries and disabilities as outlined above.

#### III. THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

Dangerous Condition of Public Property - Government Code § 835

43. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates paragraphs 1 through42 as if set forth fully herein.

44. Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides allowed a dangerous condition to exist on their property in that they were aware or had sufficient time and notice to discover the dangerous, uneven, unstable surface of the playground and/or outdoor play area. The uneven and unstable surface resulted in a dangerous and hazardous condition to disabled students such as minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. and created a reasonably foreseeable risk of harm, the kind that occurred to minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID Α..

45. In addition, Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides further created a dangerous condition on public property in that they negligently owned, operated, maintained, constructed, paved, leveled, maintained, failed to maintain, allowed to

deteriorate, striped, planned, approved, supervised, designed, modified, inspected, repaired, and exclusively controlled the dangerous, uneven, and unstable surface of the playground and/or outdoor play area. All of the foregoing resulted in a dangerous and hazardous condition to disabled students such as minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. and created a reasonably foreseeable risk of harm, the kind that occurred to minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A..

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46. Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides placed minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. on the dangerous, uneven and unstable surface in his stander and left him alone, unable to protect himself, and without supervision, susceptible to tipping over, being knocked over, or being pushed over thereby further creating a dangerous condition on public property.

47. Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides allowed a dangerous condition to exist on its property in that it failed to provide safe playground and school ground areas, failed to adequately supervise the dangerous, uneven, and unstable area and failed to warn of said dangerous, defective and unsafe conditions despite the fact it knew or should have known of such conditions.

26 48. The negligence and carelessness of Defendant SOUTH BAY 27 UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent 28 15

contractors, volunteers and aides created a reasonably foreseeable risk of the kind of injury incurred by plaintiff.

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49. The conditions described above existed for a period of time and were of such a nature that Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides in the exercise of due care, knew or should have discovered the condition and its dangerous character in adequate time before the incident alleged to have taken measure to protect against the dangerous condition.

50. As a direct and proximate result of the aforementioned dangerous condition of public property created by Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. sustained severe and permanent injuries as outlined herein.

#### III. FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

# Failure to follow Mandatory Duties established by law - Government Code § 815.6

51. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates paragraphs 1 through 50 as if set forth fully herein.

52. The conduct of Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides are governed by numerous statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, and other legal provisions. These statutes, ordinances, regulations, and other legal provisions were enacted

for the purpose of protecting students against the risk of injury sustained by Plaintiff and establish mandatory duties on the part of SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTICT.

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53. On June 2, 2011 Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides failed to follow and breached the mandatory duties these statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations and other legal provisions mandated, including but not limited to those articulated in California Education Code Section 44807 by means of California Government Code Section 815.2, California Code of Regulations, Title 5, Sections 5530, 5531, 5551, and 5552, California Education Code Section 56060, and California Education Code Section 41401, while Plaintiff was under their supervision, custody and control of Defendant. Plaintiff will amend this Second Amended Complaint to add additional statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations and other legal provisions when they are ascertained after discovery is completed or prior to trial.

54. The negligence and carelessness of Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and its employees, agents, independent contractors, volunteers and aides created a reasonably foreseeable risk of the kind of injury incurred by plaintiff.

25 55. As a direct and proximate result of the aforementioned 26 failure to fulfill these legal duties and as a proximate cause of 27 such conduct, Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. sustained severe and 28 17 permanent injuries and damages as outlined above and herein.

56. As a direct and proximate result of the aforementioned failure to fulfill these legal duties minor Plaintiff JORGE DAVID A. sustained severe and permanent injuries as outlined herein.

WHEREFORE, minor Plaintiffs JORGE DAVID A., by and through his Guardian Ad Litem JORGE A., prays for judgment against Defendant SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT and DOES 1-50 on each and all causes of action as follows:

1. General or Non-Economic damages according to proof;

- 2. Special or Economic damages according to proof;
  - 3. Costs of suit herein incurred; and

4. For such other and further relief, including but not limited to interest and/or attorneys fees as permitted by law, as this Court may deem just and proper.

18 Dated: October 31, 2012

Marc D. Adelman, Attorney for Plaintiff