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On July 8, 2009, proposed intervenors Our Family Coalition, Lavender Seniors of the East Bay, and Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (collectively "Proposed Intervenors"), filed a motion to intervene as party plaintiffs, together with a motion to shorten the time in which the motion to intervene is heard. In the motion to shorten time, Proposed Intervenors urge the Court to require the parties to respond to their motion by July 14, 2009, and to hold a hearing on their motion to intervene on July 17, 2009. Plaintiffs oppose the motion to shorten time and offer the following alternative in the interests of efficiency and judicial economy.¹

In addition to the instant motion, Plaintiffs received on June 27, 2009, the motion of Campaign for California Families to intervene as a defendant (though it does not appear on the Court's electronic docket). Moreover, on July 9, 2009, the City and County of San Francisco notified counsel for Plaintiffs that it may also file a motion to intervene as a plaintiff in this litigation in the coming days. It is likely that there exist numerous other individuals, associations, entities, and municipalities that wish to intervene in this action. Because seriatim litigation of proliferating motions to intervene will consume significant resources of both the parties and the Court, Plaintiffs respectfully suggest that the Court deny Proposed Intervenors' motion to expedite and instead issue an order setting a deadline of July 24, 2009, for all interested persons to file their motions to intervene in this action. Such a deadline will permit the parties to respond to those motions in an omnibus fashion, and permit the Court to consider them at the already-scheduled August 19, 2009 hearing, thereby promoting efficiency and conserving judicial resources. It would also ensure that all parties to the litigation are determined at the outset of these proceedings.

Accordingly, Plaintiffs respectfully request that the Court deny Proposed Intervenors' motion to shorten time, and issue an order setting a deadline of July 24, 2009 for all interested persons to file their motions to intervene, and setting forth a briefing calendar that enables the Court to consider the motions at the case management conference currently scheduled on August 19, 2009.

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Plaintiffs will file a separate response to Proposed Intervenors' motion to intervene.

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