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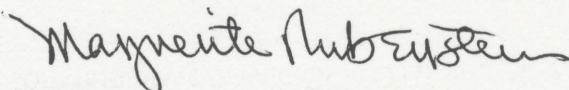
Dear Deputy Attorney Tada:

I am contacting you regarding the Schneider vs. City and County of San Francisco; Federal District Court Case No. C-97-2203-MMC. Ms. Schneider has filed a federal civil rights complaint and is suing for damages for her injuries and the deprivation of her constitutional rights due to the outrageous and unlawful treatment she was forced to endure at the hands of the City and County of San Francisco.

As Dean of Students at the Institute for Advanced Study of Human Sexuality and as a therapist and sexologist for 25 years, I am acquainted with Ms. Schneider and highly value her community work with COYOTE and other related organizations. The cruel and abusive treatment she received at the hands of San Francisco Sheriffs is inexcusable. I have worked with sex workers and the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered communities for 25 years and am appalled that this terrible treatment still exists.

I urge that Ms. Schneider receive full restitution for her ordeal and that this behavior cease immediately within the Sheriffs and the Police Departments. Those responsible should face serious charges for their hostile and deliberate mistreatment.

Sincerely,



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