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### SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

Plaintiff.

VS.

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MICHAEL JACKSON,

Defendant.

Case No.: 1133603

MICHAEL JACKSON'S EX PARTE REPORT RE

PROTECTIVE ORDER: [proposed]

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Date: April 15, 2004

Place: Department 2 (Telephonic)

Time: 8:30

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TOM TO:

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CLERK OF THE ABOVE-ENTITLED COURT TO:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on April 15, 2004 at the hour of 8:30 a.m. in

Department 2 of the above-named court, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard.

Defendant Michael Jackson ("Mr. Jackson"), through counsel will report to the court

on the status of recent media reports and counsel's response thereto.

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#### MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

#### RELEVANT FACTS

On April 2, 2004 the Court ordered as follows:

The Court orders that a modification to the safe harbor order shall be that an ex parte hearing must be calendared, whether the parties agree or disagree on the content of any responsive statement that either side wishes to make to some information that's out in the public sector; that the proposed written statement would be lodged with the Court for an In Camera review by the Court and then returned to the parties with either a denial, not allowing them to use that statement, or permission to use the statement, the understanding of the permission to be clearly stated in any release; that the Court is only making a finding that they're not in violation of the gag order by releasing that statement, not that it approves or disapproves the content of the statement; that if it became a lot of trips to the Courthouse, the Court would reconsider a different way of handling it; that this shall be the final order, completing the gag order.

(April 2, 2004 minute order at p. 2.)

Yesterday, April 13, 2004, the Los Angeles Police Department issued a press release in which it was stated that allegations against Mr. Jackson are currently being investigated by the police department's Juvenile Division, Child Protection Section. (Exhibit A.) Reports concerning this matter have already saturated the media. Counsel for Mr. Jackson believes that the existence of an investigation by Los Angeles authorities into allegations of acts dating back to the "late 1980's" is entirely unrelated to this proceeding, and therefore not subject to the protective "gag" order. Given this fact, defense counsel responded and gave comments in response to media inquiries.

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## LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE Tuesday, April 13, 2004

"Michael Jackson Investigation Statement"

Las Angeles: The Los Angeles Police Department was contacted by the Los Angeles: County District Attorney's Office one month ago regarding allegations of child abuse against Michael Jackson. The victim alleges the acts took plane in the City of Los Angeles in the late 1980's. The Department's Juvenile Division, Child Protection Section, is currently investigating the allegations.

No further details of the investigation will be released until the investigation is completed.

This news release was prepared by Public Information Office Jacon Loc. Media Ralations Section, at 213-485-3586.

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