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4 **Notice:** Please contact an attorney to advise you of your rights upon an assessment of the facts in  
your case before using this template declaration. It is strongly advised that you contact a [family](#)  
5 [law attorney](#) or a [child custody attorney](#) to consider all of your options.

6 Attorneys for Petitioner

7 **SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

8 **COUNTY OF [COUNTY]**

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10 [Name of Mother or Father],

CASE NO.

11 Petitioner,

**DECLARATION OF PETITIONER,  
[NAME], IN SUPPORT OF REQUEST  
FOR ORDER [OR RESPONSIVE  
DECLARATION TO REQUEST FOR  
ORDER]**

12 v.

13 [Name of Mother or Father],

14 Respondent.

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17 I, [NAME], hereby declare as follows:

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19 1. I am the Petitioner in this matter, and the Mother/Father of the minor child, [CHILD'S  
20 NAME], born [CHILD'S DOB] (currently [CHILD'S AGE] years old). The facts set forth herein  
21 are of my own personal knowledge and if sworn I could and would testify competently thereto.

22 2. [INCLUDE THIS PORTION ONLY IF RESPONDING TO A REQUEST FOR  
23 ORDER. IF YOU ARE FILING A REQUEST FOR ORDER, REMOVE THIS PORTION AND  
24 PROCEED DIRECTLY TO ¶ 4] I have received and read the Request for Order re child custody  
25 and visitation, filed on [DATE OF FILING] by Respondent, [NAME OF RESPONDENT]  
26 (“Mother/Father”). I hereby respond as follows:

27 3. I am not in agreement with the orders requested by Mother/Father.

**DECLARATION OF PETITIONER, [NAME], IN SUPPORT OF REQUEST FOR ORDER [OR RESPONSIVE  
DECLARATION TO REQUEST FOR ORDER]**

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4. I respectfully request the court make the following orders:
  - a. LIST REQUESTED ORDERS HERE
  - b. LIST REQUESTED ORDERS HERE
  - c. LIST REQUESTED ORDERS HERE

5. I believe the orders I am requesting would be in the best interest of [NAME OF CHILD] for the following reasons:

6. Include all relevant facts supporting your requests and follow the list of tips provided in this article.
7. EXAMPLE EXHIBIT FORMAT: Father sent me a text message on August 4, 2020 indicating that he was “too drunk to drive” (Please see true and correct screenshot of text message from Father to Mother, dated August 4, 2020, attached herein as ‘Exhibit 1’).

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

Executed on [DATE], at [CITY, STATE].

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[NAME]