## **DECLARATION OF HIJRAN MALIK**

I, Hijran Malik (A# \_\_\_\_\_\_\_), hereby declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746 that the following is true and correct.

- I make this declaration based on my own personal knowledge and if called to testify I could and would do so competently and truthfully to these matters.
- My name is Hijran Malik. I am 21 years old and from Afghanistan. I came to the United States in July 2024 to seek asylum due to threats from the Taliban. I have been in immigration detention since entering the United States, and am currently detained in Eloy Detention Center in Eloy, Arizona.
- 3. I was not represented by counsel during my removal proceedings. On January 6, 2025, I was ordered removed to Afghanistan.
- 4. I heard that the U.S. government has started transferring people with final orders to the military base at Guantánamo Bay, Cuba. I also heard the U.S. government is targeting people they think are criminals or gang members, even if they have no proof.
- 5. I am afraid of being transferred to Guantánamo. I believe that I am at risk of being transferred because I have a final order of deportation and am from Afghanistan.
- 6. I do not want to be transferred to or detained at Guantánamo. I am afraid of what will happen to me when I get there. I heard that there is no ability to contact lawyers or family from Guantánamo. I want access to an attorney to help me get out of detention and figure out what options I have in my immigration case.
- Everything in this declaration is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

Executed on the 28th of February, 2025 in Eloy, Arizona.

Hijran Malik

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