

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION**

CITY OF EL CENIZO, TEXAS, <i>et al.</i> ;	§	
Plaintiffs,	§	
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CITY OF AUSTIN, <i>et al.</i> ,	§	
Plaintiff-Intervenors,	§	CIVIL ACTION NO. 5:17-cv-404-OLG
v.	§	
	§	
STATE OF TEXAS, <i>et al.</i> ,	§	
Defendants.	§	

DECLARATION OF SABINO RENTERIA

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I, Sabino Renteria, declare the following:

1. My name is Sabino “Pio” Renteria and I am over eighteen years of age. I have personal knowledge of and could testify in Court concerning the following statements of fact.

2. I am a City Council Member for the City of Austin, representing District 3. I have served as the City Council Member for District 3 since January 2015.

3. My wife, Lori Renteria, and I are founding members of and have faithfully attended Holy Family American Catholic Church since its establishment in 2012. Our church is one body, but is held across several services in both English and Spanish.

4. Our church, located at 8613 Lava Hill Rd, serves a rural community that is predominantly Hispanic. Under Rev. Dr. Jayme Mathias both services have grown steadily for many years until talk of Senate Bill 4 (SB 4) and the concurrent ICE raids in Travis County began. Since then, our Spanish service has seen a drastic drop in attendance.

5. SB 4, touted as a safety measure, has made our families feel so insecure that they are afraid to worship at their spiritual home. From personal observations, I would say over a fourth of our Spanish service families have stopped attending on Sundays.

6. We are not a large wealthy church but we are a faithful and close-knit community. What SB4 has done is nothing short of devastating for the families directly affected and those who care deeply for them.

I declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1746 that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed in Travis County, Texas, on the 19th day of June, 2017.



SABINO RENTERIA