1 2 3 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE VETERANS FOR PEACE, GREATER 10 SEATTLE, CHAPTER 92, aka No. 11 VETERANS FOR PEACE, a nonprofit corporation, 12 Plaintiff. DECLARATION OF LYLE MERCER 13 IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR A v. TEMPORARY RESTRAINING 14 ORDER AND PRELIMINARY 15 CITY OF AUBURN, a municipal INJUNCTION corporation, 16 Defendant. 17 18 19 I, Lyle Mercer, hereby declare as follows: 20 1. I am 91 years old and live in Seattle, Washington. 21 2. I served in World War II from 1942 to 1946 as a Second Lieutenant in the 82nd 22. Airborne Division of the Air Corps and as a noncombat paratrooper officer. I was honorably 23 discharged in 1946. 24 I participated in the 2011 Auburn Veterans Day Parade and believe it is important 25 that VFP 92 marches because VFP 92's members are strong advocates for peace and want to see 26 the end of the warfare state. 27 28 29

4. I am very upset about the City of Auburn's decision not to allow VFP 92 to participate in this year's parade. Who are they to tell us not to participate in the parade? I believe this is some kind of discrimination.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED this 5 of November, 2012, at Seattle, Washington.

Lyle Mercen