

Governor Gavin Newsom,

This is not a request. This is a demand for immediate state intervention in one of the most grotesque miscarriages of justice ever inflicted on a San Diego family. Malaika and Xayah Robinson remain separated from their mother, father, grandparents, extended blood family, and their younger siblings — siblings they have never even been allowed to meet — under a parental-rights termination produced by a child-welfare system running rabid with power, retaliation, and contempt for constitutional rights. Our family exposed misconduct, exercised protected speech, and refused to remain silent. The response was not accountability. The response was retaliation — disappearing visits, manufactured accusations, restraining orders, escalating government pressure, and an entire network of officials closing ranks against a law-abiding family. California cannot continue allowing children to suffer catastrophic psychological and emotional harm while government actors punish the family fighting to protect them.

Governor Newsom, use every lawful power of your office to force immediate independent review of this case and to support reversal of this wrongful termination of parental rights. Do not send this back into the same San Diego machinery that created and continues defending the injustice. This is not a request for another referral, another internal review, or another agency explanation. This is a demand for action, accountability, and restoration of this family.

Evelyn Lopez completed what Child Welfare demanded and progressed to months of unsupervised visitation with her daughters. Our family has recordings showing the pressure placed on her, including a social worker telling her, in substance, that if she moved out of my home her children would be returned, but if she remained there they would not. San Diego County had already approved me and that same family home through RFA for placement of Malaika and Xayah. Instead of reunification, the pressure intensified while the agency continued building reports against the family.

The retaliation becomes impossible to ignore when you follow the chronology. Our family exposed misconduct through a website, public speech, flyers, Board of Supervisors appearances, recordings, and direct outreach. Agency reports themselves repeatedly focus on that speech and public exposure. Then visits disappear, new accusations appear, family members are removed, and restraining orders follow. Protected speech should never become a reason for government officials to punish a family or interfere with the bond between children and the people fighting for them.

Meanwhile, Malaika and Xayah continue showing the damage. Our family documents screaming, severe meltdowns, head-banging, hospitalizations, abuse concerns, and children begging not to leave their mother. A neurotherapist conducting a bond study personally witnesses Malaika suffer a meltdown lasting more than 25 minutes because she does not want to leave her mother and return to the caregiver. She warns of catastrophic psychological and emotional harm from severing these family bonds. The termination stands anyway. The harm continues.

What should alarm your office is the sheer scale of government involvement against one family. Social workers, supervisors, County Counsel, the guardian ad litem's office, appointed attorneys, investigators, multiple judges, and private citizens have become part of a case generating thousands of pages of reports, repeated accusations, restraining orders, hearings, and more than two years of family separation. This is not a violent criminal organization being dismantled. This is a mother, father, grandparents, children, caregivers, and an elderly dependent being ground through a government system that keeps producing new reasons to defend what it has already done. The scale itself demands outside investigation.

California has a responsibility to intervene when a county system becomes incapable of examining itself. Direct the appropriate state agencies to conduct an immediate independent state-level review of the retaliation, false reporting, coercion, abuse of authority, handling of abuse concerns, interference with protected speech and familial association, and the circumstances surrounding the termination of parental rights. Preserve the records. Examine the recordings. Examine the reports. Examine what officials know about the children's trauma, how they respond to those warnings, and why the separation continues. Then use every lawful avenue available to your administration to support reversal of this wrongful termination and restoration of Malaika and Xayah to their family.

I am not asking San Diego County to investigate itself again. I am demanding that the State of California look at what San Diego continues doing to this family. Malaika and Xayah have a mother, father, grandparents, siblings, cousins, and an extended family that continue fighting for them. We are not disappearing, we are not surrendering our constitutional rights, and we are not remaining silent while catastrophic harm continues. This family needs restoration. Malaika and Xayah need to come home.

Please be advised that this letter and any supporting materials may be published online or otherwise made available to the public as part of my continuing effort to document this case, preserve the record, seek accountability, and ensure that what is happening to Malaika and Xayah is not buried or forgotten.

For the record,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ricky G. Robinson". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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