IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA FREE STATE HIGH COURT, BLOEMFONTEIN

In the matter between

Case No:

LERATO RADEBE

First Applicant

LEHLOHONOLO RADEBE

Second Applicant

SELLOANE MOTLOUNG

Third Applicant

EQUAL EDUCATION

Fourth Applicant

and

PRINCIPAL OF LESEDING TECHNICAL SCHOOL

First Respondent

CHAIRPERSON OF THE SCHOOL GOVERNING. BODY, LESEDING TECHNICAL SCHOOL

Second Respondent

DISTRICT DIRECTOR, LIJWELEPUTSWA DISTRICT

Third Respondent

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT, BASIC EDUCATION, FREE STATE

Fourth Respondent

MEC FOR EDUCATION: FREE STATE

Fifth Respondent

MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION

Sixth Respondent

NOTICE OF MOTION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the application will be made on Friday 17 May 2013 at 09h30 or so soon thereafter as Counsel may be heard, for an Order:

- 1. Dispensing with the forms, service and time limits prescribed in the Rules of Court and granting leave for this application to be heard as a matter of urgency;
- 2. Declaring the First and Second Respondents' conduct in banishing the First Applicant ('the learner') from her classroom during school hours to constitute a suspension and to be unlawful and discriminatory;
- 3. Declaring the failure of the Third to Sixth Respondents to intervene to remedy this course of conduct to be unlawful and discriminatory;
- 4. Declaring that the First and Second Respondent's requirement that the learner may only attend school if she cuts off her dreadlocks discriminates unfairly against her on the basis of her religion and ethnicity;
- 5. Declaring that the Respondents' conduct towards the First Applicant violates her constitutional rights to, amongst others, equality, dignity, education, and the freedoms of religion, belief, opinion, expression, association, and culture.
- 6. Interdicting and restraining the First and Second Respondents from preventing the First Applicant from participating fully as a Grade 8 learner at their school, and from harassing, disadvantaging, victimising her or discriminating against her in any way;

- 7. Ordering the First and Second Respondents to allow the learner to participate fully as a grade 8 learner at their school, with immediate effect;
- 8. Ordering First to Third Respondents to meet with the learner and the Second and Third Applicants (her parents) within five school days of the date of the Order, to assess what learning she has missed since January 2013, and to agree on a suitable program of extra tuition to enable her to catch up;
- 9. Ordering the First, Second and Third Respondents to ensure that a majority of the officials and employees under their direction participate wholeheartedly in an education and relationship building workshop to be provided by the Human Rights Commission within one month of the date of this Order;
- 10. Ordering the First and Second Respondents to explain their error in banishing the learner from her classroom, and their improved understanding of the religious and cultural rights of learners, to a full assembly of the learners and educators of the Leseding Technical High School within one month of the date of this Order;
- 11. Ordering those Respondents who oppose this application to pay the costs hereof; and
- 12. Further and/or alternative relief.

TAKE NOTICE FURTHER THAT if any of the Respondents intend to oppose this application for urgent relief they may file a notice of intention to oppose, together with any answering affidavits, by close of business on Wednesday 15 May 2013, whereupon the Applicants shall be entitled to file a reply.

TAKE NOTICE FURTHER that the Applicants have appointed the Equal Education Law Centre as their legal representatives. They will accept notice and service of all process in these proceedings at the Legal Aid Office, 2nd floor St Andrews Building, 113 St Andrews Street, Bloemfontein and via email to <u>lisad@eelawcentre.org.za</u>.

TAKE NOTICE FURTHER THAT the annexed affidavits of LERATO RADEBE,
LEHLOHONOLO RADEBE, SELLOANE MOTLOUNG and BRAD
BROCKMAN will be used in support of this application.

KINDLY PLACE THE MATTER ON THE ROLL

Signed at Bloemfontein on this 10th day of May 2013.

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The Registrar Free State High Court Corner Fountain and President Brand Streets Bloemfontein

And to:

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And to:

Mrs Mopatli The Chairperson of the SGB Leseding Technical Highschool Constantia Road Welkom email info@lesedingtechnical.co.za

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Mr Gough, State Attorney Free State On behalf of the Third to Sixth Respondents Fedsure Building, 11th Floor, 49 Charlotte Maxeke Street, Bloemfontein Record a way Lover, on the 10 Many 2013 at 13h 27 6bo 512 612 612 has

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