EXHIBIT A

DECLARATION OF GERRI VALENTIN-CRUZ

I, Gerri Valentin-Cruz, hereby declare the following:

1. I am competent to testify to the matters herein. Unless otherwise indicated, I make this declaration based upon personal knowledge.
2. I was born on February 25, 1954 in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. I am a natural-born United States citizen.
3. I consider myself Afro-Latino and identify myself as Afro-Puerto Rican.
4. I have been a resident of Georgia since approximately 1993 or 1994.
5. I currently reside in Fulton County.
6. I registered to vote in Fulton County in March 2008.
7. I received my voting card on or about March 18, 2008. A true and correct copy of that card is attached to this Declaration as Exhibit 1.
8. My husband and I were planning to cast our ballot during Fulton County's early voting period, because we will be in the process of moving on Election Day, November 4, 2008.
9. On Saturday, October 11, 2008, I received a letter dated October 2, 2008, via regular U.S. mail, from the Fulton County Department of Registration and Elections indicating that that office had received notification from the State of Georgia, that I am not a U.S. citizen and I am ineligible to vote.
10. The letter stated that if I did not provide proof of my U.S. citizenship within one week from the date of the letter, I would be removed from the list of registered voters.

11. I was very concerned when I received this letter, because I am a U.S. citizen, and I have always been a U.S. citizen.

12. I was also concerned because I did not receive this letter until October 11, 2008, which is more than one week from the date of the letter, and according to the letter, I would have already been removed from the list of registered voters.

13. On October 13, 2008, I called Fulton County Department of Registration and Elections, and left a voicemail from Ms. Brenda Williams regarding this matter.

14. Ms. Williams returned my call the same day, and explained that the Secretary of State's office had provided Fulton County with information indicating that I was as a non-citizen.

15. Ms. Williams asked me for the proper spelling of my name, and was able to locate me on a certain database, although she did not indicate which database.

16. Ms. Williams proceeded to tell me that I had been deleted from the list, although she did not provide any further details regarding which list. She also indicated that I should not have a problem voting early, but explained that I would need to show my Georgia driver's license in order to do so.

17. I asked Ms. Williams to provide me with something in writing indicating that I would be allowed to cast my ballot during the early voting period.

18. Ms. Williams sent me an email indicating that I would have to follow up with the Secretary of State for this type of confirmation.

19. I am upset that although I am a U.S. citizen, and I have always been a U.S. citizen, my right to vote is being threatened.

20. I am also confused as to whether I will be able to vote early as I would like to do, or at all.

21. I want to make sure I can exercise my right to vote and that my vote is counted.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1746 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing statements are true and correct.

This the 13 day of October, 2008.

Gerri Valentin-Cruz

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EXHIBIT 1

VOTER REGISTRATION OFFICE
141 PRYOR STREET, SUITE 4085
ATLANTA GA 30303
404-730-7072

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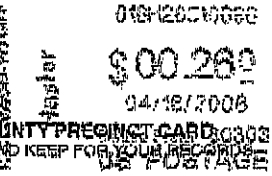

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