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Docket No. 16-15469

### IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

NARUTO, by and through his Next Friend, *Plaintiff-Appellant*,

ν.

DAVID J. SLATER, et al., Defendants-Appellees

On Appeal from the United States District Court for the Northern District of California

### NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF NEXT FRIEND ANTJE ENGELHARDT

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Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 17(c), Plaintiff –Appellant Naruto, a Crested Macaque ("Appellant"), by and through his Next Friends, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, Inc. ("PETA") and Antje Engelhardt, Ph.D. ("Dr. Engelhardt"), respectfully submits this notice to inform the Court that Dr. Englehardt will not continue as a next friend to Appellant in this proceeding. In the proceedings below, Appellant's rights were represented by both Dr. Engelhardt and PETA. Going forward, PETA will be solely responsible for maintaining this litigation and for fulfilling the duties of a next friend. There have been no prior orders concerning Dr. Engelhardt's status as a next friend.

Dated: May 9, 2016

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