IN THE KEITH BRADFORD, et al. CIRCUIT COURT Plaintiffs FOR BALTIMORE CITY MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION et al., CASE NO.: 94340058/CE 189672 Defendants. BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS OF BALTIMORE CITY et al., CASE NO. 95258055/CL20251 Plaintiffs. MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION 81 al., Defendants. ORDER

Pursuant to the Memorandum Opinion of even date herewith, it is hereby this 30th day of June, 2000,

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECLARED, that this Court previously Declared on October 18, 1996 that the State of Maryland was not providing the children of the Baltimore City Public Schools with a Constitutionally Adequate Education when measured by Contemporary Educational Standards; and it is

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECLARED, that the State of Maryland is still not providing the children of the Baltimore City Public Schools with a Constitutionally Adequate Education when measured by Contemporary Educational Standards; and it is

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECLARED, that the State of Maryland has failed to make the statutorily mandated best efforts to provide even a reasonable downpayment on the additional approximately \$2,000 to \$2,600 per pupil that is needed to provide the children of the Baltimore City Public Schools with a Constitutionally Adequate Education when measured by Contemporary Educational Standards; and it is

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECLARED that in light of the Constitutional mandate of "thorough and efficient" education the State's allocation of \$19.9 million for 2001 and the allocation of \$23.9 million for 2002 out of a \$940 million budget surplus in Fiscal Year 2001 is not making a "best effort"out of the available funds and will not enable the New Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners to provide the City's schoolchildren with a Constitutionally Adequate Education when measured by Contemporary Educational Standards during Fiscal Years 2001 and 2002; and it is further

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECLARED that having Ordered, Adjudged and Declared that the State is not fulfilling its obligations under Article VIII of the Maryland Constitution, as well as under the Consent Decree, the Court trusts that the State will act to bring itself into compliance with its constitutional and contractual obligations under the Consent Decree for the Fiscal Years 2001 and 2002 without the need for Plaintiffs to take further action.

Joseph H. H. Kaplan,

Circuit Court for Baltimore City

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