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The Honorable Scott S. Harris
Clerk of the Court
Supreme Court of the United States
1 First Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20543

RE: *Jose Arnaldo Rodrigues v. Ron Davis, Warden*
Supreme Court of the United States, Case No. 18-6330
**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE BRIEF TO A RESPONSE TO
PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI**

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am counsel for the respondent, Ron Davis, Warden. A petition for a writ of certiorari in this case was filed on October 13, 2018. A response is currently due by November 15, 2018. Pursuant to Rule 30.4 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the United States, respondent respectfully requests that the time for filing a response be extended by 30 days, up to and including December 17, 2018.

This is respondent's first request for an extension of time to file a response. When this case was docketed on October 16, 2018, I was preparing appellee's brief in a capital case, *Delaney Geral Marks v. Ron Davis*, Ninth Circuit case no. 17-99007, for which I have already received two 30-day extensions of time and which is currently due on November 9. I have not yet been able to devote significant time to the response in the instant case. Additionally, the response must be reviewed by multiple attorneys within the California Department of Justice, including attorneys in the Criminal Division and the Office of the Solicitor General. An extension of time would better enable preparation of a response that would be most helpful to the Court.

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Accordingly, I respectfully request that the existing due date for the response to the petition for writ of certiorari be extended to December 17, 2018. Counsel for petitioner, John R. Grele, has stated that he does not oppose this request.

Sincerely,

/s/ Sarah J. Farhat
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