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Hon. Scott S. Harris
Clerk of the Court
Supreme Court of the United States
1 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20543

Re: No. 18-699, *Brookdale Senior Living Communities, Inc. v. United States ex rel. Prather*

Dear Clerk Harris,

I represent the respondent in the above-captioned matter, and write to respectfully request a further extension of ten days to respond to the petition for a writ of certiorari, which was docketed on November 28, 2018. On December 21, 2018, the Court extended the time to respond to the petition by thirty days to and including January 28, 2019. The requested second extension would make the response due on or before February 7, 2019.

This extension is requested because despite our best efforts to prepare the brief in opposition within the original extension period, the press of other matters has made it impossible to complete the brief in that time. The requested extension also will not result in any prejudice, and counsel for petitioners have kindly consented to the extension.

Thank you very much for your time and assistance in this matter.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pat Barrett".

Patrick Barrett

Cc: Counsel for petitioners