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

> Re: <u>Carlos Tapia v. New York</u> No. 19-159

Your Honor:

I represent respondent in the above-captioned matter, which is a petition for a writ of certiorari. On August 19, 2019, this Court has directed my Office to file a response to that petition by September 18, 2019. Pursuant to Rule 30.4 of this Court, I am writing to request an extension of time to November 1, 2019, to file a brief in opposition.

My request is necessary because of my work commitments. At present, I am engaged in several matters. I am seeking permission to appeal in one case to the New York Court of Appeals, and I have two briefs due, as well as an oral argument scheduled, at the New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division, First Department. Moreover, on August 19, 2019, when this Court ordered me to respond to the petition, I was on a family vacation until August 26, 2019. Accordingly, I will not be able to meet my previous obligations and file a timely response in this case by September 18, 2019. I have spoken with petitioner's attorney, Daniel A. Rubens, Esq., and he has consented to my request.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please contact me by phone at (718) 838-6669 or via e-mail at wenj@bronxda.nyc.gov.

Sincerely

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