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Scott Harris, Clerk  
United States Supreme Court  
One First Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: *Allanah Benton v Shawn Brewer, Warden*  
United States Supreme Court No. 19-7621

Dear Mr. Harris:

Consistent with Supreme Court Rule 30.4, Respondent respectfully requests that the time in which to file their brief in opposition be extended 30 days. The Respondent's answer is due on or before April 22, 2020. An additional 30 days would make the brief due on Friday, May 22, 2020.

Respondent seeks this extension due to numerous competing deadlines and obligations as well as the shifting responsibilities during the COVID-19 crisis. Respondent's counsel, as Michigan Solicitor General, is in charge of all appellate litigation for the State of Michigan and in this capacity is drafting and reviewing other briefs even with the suspension of filing deadlines in the Michigan Appellate Courts.

Sincerely,

ANDREA M. CHRISTENSEN-BROWN  
FOR FADWA HAMMOUD

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fadwa A. Hammoud", written over a circular stamp or seal.

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Enclosure (Proof of Service)  
cc: Allanah Benton #754842