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Mr. Danny Bickell Deputy Clerk Supreme Court of the United States One First Street, NE Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: National Association for Gun Rights v. Mangan, No. 19-767

Dear Mr. Bickell,

I am writing to request a second 30-day extension to April 27, 2020, in which to file a brief in opposition to the petition for certiorari in this case. Rule 30(4). Respondent's brief in opposition is currently due on March 27, 2020.

The extension is necessary because of the heavy press of cases with proximate due dates assigned to the attorneys responsible for preparing the State of Montana's response, including an oral argument before the Montana Supreme Court that was scheduled after the State's previous extension request. Counsel for the State have attempted to contact Petitioner's counsel of record by email and phone to determine Petitioner's position but have not yet received a response.

The State will work diligently in preparing a draft of the brief in opposition, but needs additional time to ensure sufficient review, input, and revision so that the issues presented in the petition are fully addressed for the Court.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely.

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