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## **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING AND FEDERAL EXPRESS**

Scott S. Harris Clerk of the Court Supreme Court of the United States Office of the Clerk 1 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: Matthew Reid Hinson v. R.A. Bias, et al.

No. 19-872

Dear Mr. Harris:

I, on behalf of the City of Jacksonville, Florida ("City"), represent Respondents, Officers R.A. Bias, et al., with regard to the above referenced matter. The Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above entitled case was filed on January 10, 2020, and Respondents filed a Waiver of their right to respond on January 21, 2020. However, the Court requested a Response to be filed on or before March 2, 2020. Pursuant to Rule 30.4 of the United State Supreme Court, the City requests a thirty (30) day extension of time to file a brief in opposition to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari, up to and including April 2, 2020.

I am counsel of record in the above referenced matter, and throughout the month of February 2020 I have numerous deadlines in both state and federal court, including discovery, trial deadlines and state and federal court appellate briefing deadlines. I also have an upcoming pre-planned vacation in March 2020 which will put much of this month's work on a tighter schedule. In addition, the City is also seeking amicus curiae assistance in this case, as well as a printing service to assist with the brief in opposition to ensure the City can, within its resources, comply with all of the Court's requirements.

Accordingly, the City requests a thirty (30) day extension of time, until April 2, 2020, to file a brief in opposition to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari.

We thank you for your time and attention to the foregoing.

Respectfully submitted,

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