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

Re: **Masalmani v. Michigan**
Case No. 20-6626

Dear Clerk:

The Macomb County Prosecutor is requesting a 30-day extension, pursuant to Rule 30.4, in filing its response to the petition for writ of certiorari. While this prosecutor is currently not admitted to the Court, this prosecutor will seek admittance via motion. This extension will allow additional time for this prosecutor to gain admission to the Court and file his response. In addition to this case, this prosecutor has numerous other appellate cases in front of the Michigan Supreme Court, the Court of Appeals, and the Circuit Court, including briefs, motions, and evidentiary hearings, and is currently working remotely given the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, there have been numerous personnel changes in the Prosecutor's office, which resulted in movement of personnel to different divisions and a reduction in the appellate division.

Given the staff changes and shortages, this prosecutor has needed to adopt additional responsibilities and duties in addition to his current caseload. Moreover, the People did not object to the defendant's request for extensions, which allowed 5 months for the defendant to prepare his petition. The People made contact with the State Appellate Defenders Office and Erin Van Campen, attorneys for the defendant, and they have no objection to the request for extension. Allowing the extension will enable the People to fully brief the complex issue this Court may decide.

Please contact me at (586) 469-7767 if you have any questions or comments whatsoever.

Respectfully Submitted,

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