

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

Re: Timothy K. Moore, in His Official Capacity as Speaker of the North Carolina House of Representatives, et al., v. Rebecca Harper, et al., No. 21-1271 Motion to Extend Time to Respond to Petition for Writ of Certiorari by 60 Days

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am writing on behalf of all Respondents in the above-captioned case to request an extension of time of 60 days for the filing of a brief in opposition to the petition for a writ of certiorari. Pursuant to Rule 30.4 of the United States Supreme Court, and given the press of business, Respondents respectfully request an extension up to and including June 20, 2022, to file their briefs in opposition to the petition.

There is no exigency to this case. Petitioners challenge a series of state court orders related to the adoption of North Carolina's congressional districting map, and this Court has already denied Petitioners' request for relief prior to the 2022 congressional elections. *Moore v. Harper*, 595 U.S. ---, 142 S. Ct. 1089 (2022). Thus, the modest extension Respondents seek will enable full briefing on the several orders at issue without disturbing Petitioners' efforts to resolve this matter sufficiently in advance of the 2024 elections. *See* Pet. at 26 (acknowledging "events will not compel the Court to act [on this matter] until the 2024 election cycle approaches"). Petitioners have indicated they oppose a 60-day extension but do not oppose a 30-day extension. This is the first extension Respondents have sought.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ No Respondent has a parent company, and no publicly held company has a 10 percent or greater ownership interest in any Respondent.