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Hon. Scott S. Harris Clerk of the Court Supreme Court of the United States 1 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20543

Via Federal Express Overnight Delivery

RE: Request for extension of time to file response to petition for certiorari *State Health Plan, et al. (Petitioners) v. I Beverly Lake et al. (Respondents)* S. Ct. No. 21-1565

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am counsel for the Respondents in this case. Petitioners filed their petition for a writ of certiorari on June 15, 2022. According to the online docket and pursuant to Rule 15.3 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the United States, a response is currently due on July 15, 2022. Pursuant to Rule 30.4, Respondents respectfully request that the time for filing a response be extended by 30 days, to and including August 15, 2022 (August 14, 2022 is a Sunday).

This is Respondents' first request for an extension of time to file a response. Good cause exists for the requested extension. An extension of time will enable a better preparation of a response on behalf of the Respondents and for the benefit of the Court. In addition, an extension will allow adequate time for all primary counsel for Respondents in this appeal to be admitted to the Supreme Court Bar prior to the filing of the response.

Accordingly, Respondents respectfully request that the time for filing a response to the petition for writ of certiorari be extended by 30 days, to and including August 15, 2022. The undersigned is not currently admitted to the bar of the Supreme Court and undersigned understands that the response brief must be filed by a member of the Supreme Court Bar. Undersigned is in the process of submitting an application of admission to the bar of this Court.

Sincerely,

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