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November 22, 2021

Honorable Scott S. Harris Clerk Supreme Court of the United States 1 First Street, NE Washington, D.C. 20543

RE: Jane Does 1-6, et al. v. Janet T. Mills, Governor of the State of Maine,

et al. (S. Ct. No. 21-717)

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on November 11, 2021, and placed on the docket on November 15, 2021. A response is due on December 15, 2021. Respondents Janet T. Mills, Jeanne M. Lambrew, and Dr. Nirav D. Shah respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time until January 14, 2022, to file a response. The extension is requested to due to pre-existing professional obligations of counsel and the intervening holidays.

Undersigned counsel contacted counsel for Petitioners regarding this request; Petitioners oppose the extension and will respond with a written opposition. Petitioners, however, will not be prejudiced by the extension for the reasons stated in State Respondents' response to the motion to expedite. Moreover, 30 days is a modest extension that will not significantly delay this matter.

Sincerely.

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