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January 12, 2022

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

RE: Request for extension of time to file response to petition

Apartment Association of Los Angeles County, Inc., dba Apartment Association of

Greater Los Angeles v. City of Los Angeles, California, et al., No. 21-788

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am counsel for the Intervenors in this case, Alliance of Californians for Community Empowerment Action and Strategic Actions for a Just Economy. Petitioners filed their petition for a writ of certiorari in the above case on November 23, 2021. According to the online docket, a response is currently due on February 9, 2022. Pursuant to Rule 30.4, Intervenors respectfully request that the time for filing a response be extended by 60 days, to and including April 10, 2022.

This is Intervenors' first request for an extension of time to file a response. This request is necessary for several reasons. First, the heavy press of litigation matters over the next month will interfere with counsel's ability to prepare an adequate response to the petition by the current date. These preexisting obligations include extensive work for two separate oral arguments in the Ninth Circuit on February 9, 2022; major briefs and oral arguments in cases nationwide; and extensive discovery obligations, including depositions, in other matters from January to March. Second, there has been attorney turnover at co-counsel's organizations and another attorney has recently returned from parental leave, and they need time to get fully up to speed on the matter. Third, our staff is currently working from home due to the COVID-19 pandemic, which makes the process of finalizing and filing a brief take longer than usual. A number of counsel additionally are facing unexpected childcare responsibilities due to the rise of the Omicron variant and the possibility of future school closures. Finally, a number of counsel for Intervenors currently have other preexisting professional and personal obligations.

The City of Los Angeles does not oppose the requested extension, while Petitioner opposes an extension of longer than 15 days. A 60-day extension will allow my office to meet our preexisting obligations while preparing a response that adequately addresses the points raised in the petition. For these reasons, I respectfully request that an extension be granted to and including April 10, 2022. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully,

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