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By Federal Express

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

Re: Dominic Bianchi, et al. v. Brian Frosh, Attorney General of Maryland,

et al., No. 21-902

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in this case was placed on the Court's docket on December 16, 2021. By letter dated January 14, 2022, this office was informed that the Court had requested a response to the petition to be filed by February 14, 2022. After one 30-day extension, the response to the petition is now due on March 16. The respondent requests, under Rule 30.4, a further 30-day extension of time permitting the response to be filed on or before April 15, 2022.

The extension is necessary because of the press of other assigned matters, including my duties as Chief of Litigation of the Office of the Attorney General of Maryland and multiple court challenges to the State of Maryland's congressional and state districting plans, which are being handled by my team, and to allow sufficient time both for the brief to undergo our office's internal review process and to coordinate with the printer. Counsel of record for the petitioner has consented to the requested extension.

Very truly yours,

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cc: David H. Thompson, Esquire