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Via Electronic Filing System

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

RE: *Brach v. Newsom*, No. 22-250 Request for an Extension of Time

Dear Mr. Harris:

Respondents filed their waiver of right to respond to the petition for a writ of certiorari in this case on October 11. On October 28, this Court requested that respondents file a response, which is currently due on November 28. Pursuant to Rule 30.4, respondents respectfully request that the time for filing a response be extended by thirty days, up to and including Wednesday, December 28, 2022. The undersigned counsel of record had an oral argument in the California Supreme Court on November 2, which limited his ability to begin work on the response prior to that date. In addition, counsel for respondents face several constraints on their time in the coming weeks. The Solicitor General, who will be directly involved in drafting and editing the response, is currently serving on a jury for a civil trial that is estimated to last to the week of Thanksgiving. And the upcoming Thanksgiving Holiday, as well as associated travel and leave, will reduce the number of business days available between now and the current due date and would complicate internal and client review if the response were due on that date. The requested extension of time would allow adequate time for drafting and review and would better enable preparation of a response that would be most helpful to the Court.

Respectfully submitted,

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