

October 16, 2024

Honorable Scott S. Harris Clerk of the Court Supreme Court of the United States Washington, DC 20543

> RE: Christi Jacobsen, Montana Secretary of State v. Montana Democratic Party, et al., No. 24-220

Dear Mr. Harris,

Respondents Montana Youth Action, Forward Montana Foundation, and Montana Public Interest Research Group respectfully request, pursuant to Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, a 60-day extension of time to respond to Montana Secretary of State Christi Jacobsen's petition for a writ of certiorari.

The Court requested a response to the petition and set a deadline of November 7, 2024. A 60-day extension of this deadline would fall on January 6, 2025.

This is Montana Youth Action's, Forward Montana Foundation's, and Montana Public Interest Research Group's first request for an extension of time to file a response. This extension is requested due to counsel's significant obligations in other matters over the next sixty days, including a hearing on dispositive motions in state court on November 8, an opening brief in the Third Circuit due on November 22, and a trial in state court scheduled for December 10–18, as well as several other pending deadlines.

Secretary Jacobsen opposes a 60-day extension but consents to an extension until December 23, 2024. Thus, if the Court is disinclined to grant a 60-day extension, Respondents respectfully request a 46-day extension, to December 23, 2024.

Sincerely,

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