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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 Brief in Opposition
Alan Rodemaker v. City of Valdosta Board of Education et al.
No. 24-852

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am counsel of record for Respondents in this case, who will file a joint Brief in Opposition to the Petition in this case. Petitioner filed his petition for a writ of certiorari on January 29, 2025. According to the online docket and pursuant to Rule 15.3 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the United States, a response is currently due on March 13, 2025. Pursuant to Rule 30.4, Respondents respectfully request that the time for filing a response be extended by 30 days, to and including April 12, 2025.

This is Respondents' first request for an extension of time to file a response. Good cause exists for the requested extension, as Petitioner's brief cites cases not cited by the briefs below and an extension of time would better enable preparation of a response that would be most helpful to the Court. Additionally, a member of Respondents' legal team is expecting a new baby in the next week, which will lead to reduced availability. Further, no party will be prejudiced by this extension.

Counsel for the Petitioner, Mr. Dennis P. Derrick, has confirmed that Petitioner does not oppose this request.

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Sincerely,

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