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Scott S. Harris
Clerk of the Court
United States Supreme Court
One First St. NE
Washington, D.C. 20543

RE: *Robert Mahoney, et al. v. City of Seattle, et al.*
Supreme Court Case No. 17-905

Dear Mr. Harris:

A Petition for Writ of Certiorari was filed in the above-referenced matter on December 18, 2017, and was docketed on December 26, 2017. Respondents' brief in opposition to the Petition is currently due on January 25, 2018.

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.4, Respondents respectfully request a thirty-day extension of time, to February 26, 2018, within which to file their response brief. The extension is requested because the undersigned, as Respondents' Counsel of Record, has numerous professional obligations prior to January 25. These include significant administrative duties related to my position as Civil Division Chief of this office (supervising more than 100 attorneys and support staff), a lead role in time-sensitive contract negotiations relating to the construction of a new sports arena in Seattle, and direct involvement in preparing members of my staff for several upcoming appellate arguments and trials.

To assist in the drafting of the response brief, Charles Gussow, an Assistant City Attorney, will be joining this case as co-counsel. His admission to the Bar of this Court is still in process, and he has also needed time to review the record and filings while continuing to meet January deadlines in other pending matters.

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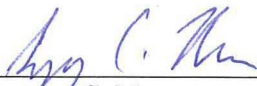
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Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,

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