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

RE: *Arlene's Flowers, Inc. v. Washington, et al.*: Docket No. 19-333


Dear Mr. Harris:

I am counsel of record for respondent State of Washington in this case. A response to the petition for writ of certiorari is currently due October 15, 2019. Pursuant to Rule 30.4, the State requests an extension to December 6, 2019, to file a brief in opposition. Respondents Robert Ingersoll and Curt Freed join in this request for extension. Kristen Waggoner, counsel of record for petitioners, has informed me that they have no objection to an extension to December 6, 2019.

We make this request for several reasons. First, we have been informed that there will be amicus briefs in support of the petition, so we need adequate time to respond to those. Second, to avoid needless repetition, we need time to coordinate briefing with the other respondents (Ingersoll and Freed). Finally, the State of Washington will concurrently be preparing our brief in opposition in *In re Matter of Guerra*, and our small team that handles U.S. Supreme Court matters will need additional time to ensure that we can provide the Court quality briefing in response to both petitions. Counsel for respondents Ingersoll and Freed are also preparing for argument in *Altitude Express, Inc. v. Zarda*, No. 17-1623, and *R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Homes, Inc. v. EEOC*, No. 18-107, before this Court and will be briefing an opposition in *Fulton v. City of Philadelphia*, No. 19-123, during the time that this response is currently due.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



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cc: Kristen K. Waggoner, Counsel of Record to petitioners Arlene's Flowers, Inc. and  
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