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**VIA E-Filing**

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

**Re: *Damon Landor v. Louisiana Department of Corrections  
and Public Safety et al.*, No. 23-1197**

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.4, the State of Louisiana respectfully requests an extension of 30 days, to and including July 6, 2024, within which to file its brief in opposition to the petition for a writ of certiorari in *Landor v. Louisiana Department of Corrections and Public Safety*, No. 23-1197. The Court docketed the petition on May 3, 2024. The State's response is currently due on June 6, 2024.

This is the State of Louisiana's first request for an extension of time. The extension is needed in light of other deadlines and conflicts faced by the State's counsel of record, J. Benjamin Aguiñaga. During the briefing period, Mr. Aguiñaga was responsible for emergency briefing on behalf of the State in *Callais v. Landry*, No. 23A1002, which culminated in this Court's May 15, 2024, stay order. He was also responsible for drafting a rehearing merits brief in *Bienvenu v. Defendant 1*, No. 2023-CC-01194 (La.), filed on May 20, 2024. Finally, Mr. Aguiñaga is responsible for drafting the opening briefs in *Grace v. Hooper*, No. 24-30218 (5th Cir.) (due May 28) and *Frederick v. LeBlanc*, No. 24-30100 (5th Cir.) (due May 31).



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The requested 30-day extension will not prejudice any party. Counsel for Petitioner confirmed that they do not oppose the extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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