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Clerk of the Court
Supreme Court of the United States
1 First Street N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20543

RE: *Areli Escobar v. State of Texas,*
No. 23-934

To the Clerk of the Court:

I represent the Respondent State of Texas in the above referenced case. Petitioner Areli Escobar filed his Petition for Writ of Certiorari on February 23, 2024, and the matter was docketed on February 27, 2024. The State of Texas's response is due on March 28, 2024.

The State respectfully requests, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, an extension of time to April 29, 2024, within which to file the State's responsive brief.

This is Respondent's first request for an extension in this case. The present request is not sought for an improper purpose, including delay. This extension is requested to complete preparation of the State's response, which was delayed due to pressing deadlines and proceedings in earlier assigned cases for the attorneys handling this matter. The undersigned has consulted with Petitioner's counsel, who has indicated that he is not opposed to this extension. A copy of this letter is being sent today to Petitioner's counsel. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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