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The Honorable Scott S. Harris
Clerk of the Court
Supreme Court of the United States
One First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: *Cummins v. Illinois*, No. 25-1030

Dear Mr. Harris:

I represent respondent Illinois in the above-captioned matter. On March 16, 2026, the Court directed respondent to file a response to the petition for a writ of certiorari by April 15, 2026, and subsequently extended the deadline for filing that response to May 15, 2026. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.4, we respectfully request a 27-day extension of time, to June 11, 2026, to file our response. Counsel for petitioner authorized me to state that they do not oppose this request.

An extension is warranted for multiple reasons. Assistant Attorney General Garson Fischer, who is assigned to draft the brief in opposition for respondent under my supervision, has also had primary responsibility for, among other assignments, filing a response in *Smith v. Fernandez*, No. 21 C 5580 (N.D. Ill.), which was filed on April 16, 2026, and a response in *Jones v. Jones*, No. 25 C 3261 (N.D. Ill.), which was filed on May 1, 2026. Additionally, as a Deputy Division Chief for Criminal Appeals, he has responsibility for, among other things, editing other attorneys' pleadings, managing our office's responses to constitutional challenges, and participating in moot courts to assist colleagues in their preparation for oral arguments. My work responsibilities also warrant an extension of time: As Illinois Solicitor General, I similarly devote substantial time to performing supervisory and administrative duties, including editing briefs in other cases and helping prepare attorneys for oral argument.

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This is respondent's second request for an extension of time. It is not made for purposes of delay, but solely to ensure that respondent's interests are adequately protected.

Sincerely,

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