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Via Electronic Filing

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

Re: *Littlejohn v. School Board of Leon County, Florida, et al.*, No. 25-259

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am counsel for Respondents in the above-captioned case. Pursuant to Rule 30.4, I am writing to request a 30-day extension of time to file Respondents' brief in opposition to certiorari.

The petition for certiorari was filed on September 3, 2025. On October 28, 2025, the Court called for a response to the petition. That response is currently due November 28, 2025. If the requested extension of time is granted, Respondents' brief in opposition would be due on Monday, December 29, 2025.

There is good cause to grant the extension. A different law firm handled the matter in the district court and court of appeals, and I have just been engaged to take over proceedings in this Court. An extension is necessary for me and my colleagues to get up to speed and prepare a response to the petition, which asserts two divisions of authority on questions of constitutional interpretation and has attracted nine amicus briefs in support of certiorari.

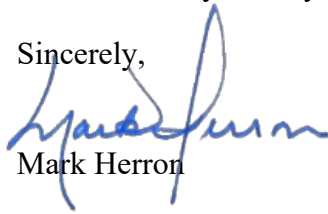
An extension is also warranted by the press of other matters. Among other case commitments, I am conducting discovery and preparing for a trial set for January 2026 in *Florida Decides Healthcare v. Cord Byrd, et al.*, No. 4:25-cv-00211 (N.D. Fla.), and I am preparing for a summary judgment hearing on November 14, 2025 in *Smart and Safe v. Cord Byrd, et al.*, No. 2025-CA-002001 (Fla. 2d Cir. Leon County).

Respondents have not previously sought an extension regarding this petition.

Petitioners have informed me that they will file a letter opposing this request.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark Herron", written over the word "Sincerely,".

Mark Herron

cc: Cameron Thomas Norris, Counsel of Record for Petitioners