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

Re: *Schoenthal v. Raoul*, No. 25-541

Dear Mr. Harris:

I represent respondents Kwame Raoul, in his official capacity as Attorney General of Illinois, and Robert Berlin, in his official capacity as State's Attorney of DuPage County, in the above-captioned matter. On December 17, 2025, the Court directed respondents to file a response to the petition for a writ of certiorari on or before January 16, 2026. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.4, I respectfully request an extension of time to February 17, 2026 to file our response. Counsel for petitioners has authorized me to state that petitioners do not oppose this request, and counsel for respondent Eileen O'Neill Burke, in her official capacity as State's Attorney of Cook County, has authorized me to state that State's Attorney Burke joins in this request for an extension of time to file her response.

An extension is warranted for multiple reasons. Assistant Attorney General R. Sam Horan, who is assigned to draft the response to the petition for a writ of certiorari for respondents Raoul and Berlin under my supervision, has prior deadlines in other courts over the timeframe relevant to this request. These include answering briefs in *Small v. Pittman*, No. 24-3241 (7th Cir.), due on January 9, 2026; in *Walls v. Bednarz*, No. 25-1811 (7th Cir.), due on February 4, 2026; and in *Illinois Policy Institute v. Flanagan*, No. 25-2937 (7th Cir.), due on February 6, 2026. My work responsibilities also warrant an extension of time: as Illinois Solicitor General, I 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 respondents' first request for an extension of time. It is not made for purposes of delay, but solely to ensure that respondents' interests are adequately protected. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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