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Via Electronic Filing and Electronic Mail

Hon. Scott S. Harris
Clerk of Court
Supreme Court of the United States
One First Steet, NE
Washington, DC 20543-0001

**Re: Request for extension of time to file brief in opposition
Bejarano v. Bean, No. 25-6689 (Capital Case)**

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am counsel of record for the Respondent in this matter. On February 2, 2026, this Court docketed Petitioner John Bejarano's petition for writ of certiorari. The brief in opposition is currently due March 4, 2026. Respondent respectfully requests that this Court issue an order under Rule 30.4, extending the deadline to file the brief in opposition by forty-four days, to and including Friday, April 18, 2026.

This is Respondent's first request for an extension of time to file the brief in opposition. Good cause for an extension exists. I am coordinating with Senior Deputy Attorney General Michael Bongard, who was the lead attorney assigned to this case in the Ninth Circuit. But I have been extremely busy over the last month addressing numerous matters. In addition to the many other tasks that arise through the press of day-to-day business, I appeared for argument in *Brown v. Oliver*, 24-4725 (9th Cir.), on February 10, 2026, and submitted an opening brief in *Morrisette v. Henley*, 25-6831 (9th Cir.), on February 27, 2026, and I have also been called on to serve in an advisory capacity on complex, fast-paced litigation involving the operation of "prediction markets" in Nevada with cases pending in federal and state courts. And

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because Mr. Bongard I both have busy schedules during the month of March, Respondent needs additional time to complete the brief in opposition.

Finally, I am informed that counsel for Petitioner Bejarano, Assistant Federal Defender David Anthony, told Mr. Bongard that he does not oppose this request for additional time.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jeffrey M. Conner
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