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Scott S. Harris, Clerk of the Court
Office of the Clerk
United States Supreme Court
1 First Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20543

Re: *United States Conference of Catholic Bishops v. David O'Connell*, No. 25-849

Dear Mr. Harris:

Under Supreme Court Rule 30.4, Respondent David O'Connell respectfully requests a 28-day extension to file his brief in opposition to the petition for certiorari. Mr. O'Connell's brief in opposition is currently due on March 6, 2026, so a 28-day extension would make the brief due on Friday, April 3, 2026.

The extension is warranted because additional time is needed to prepare a useful and effective brief that adequately presents the issues for the Court's consideration. Mr. O'Connell is also informed that additional amici intend to file briefs in support of Petitioner. Under Supreme Court Rule 37.2, these amicus briefs are due on March 6, the same date that Mr. O'Connell's brief in opposition is currently due. The extension will allow Mr. O'Connell's counsel to consider the arguments presented in these briefs carefully and respond to them as warranted.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (310) 656-7066 or gabe@dovel.com.

Sincerely,

Gabriel Doble,
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cc: Counsel of record