

March 6, 2026

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

**Re: *George Sheetz v. County of El Dorado, California*, No. 25-958
Letter for an extension of time to file response**

Dear Mr. Harris,

I am counsel of record for respondent County of El Dorado, California. The petition for writ of certiorari was docketed on February 9, 2026. After the County waived its right to respond, the Court requested a response, which is currently due April 1, 2026.

Under Rules 30.1 and 30.4, the County respectfully requests a 45-day extension of time, to and including May 18, 2026, in which to file its response to the petition. This is the County's first request for an extension on its response.

The County has received notice that several amici curiae intend to file briefs supporting the petition. Because those amicus briefs need not be filed until April 1, 2026, an extension is necessary to afford the County the opportunity to review any assertions or arguments made in them before filing its response.

In addition, although counsel of record represented the County in a previous related matter before this Court, *Sheetz v. County of El Dorado*, No. 22-1074, 601 U.S. 267 (2024), counsel were not involved in the proceedings on remand and therefore require additional time to prepare a response that is most helpful to the Court. Finally, counsel for the County have multiple competing professional obligations in the coming weeks, including briefing in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and the California Court of Appeal.

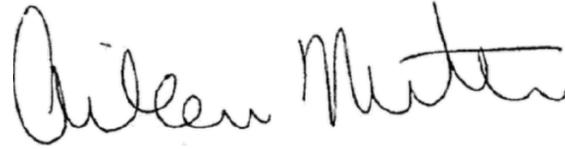
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Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Brian T. Hodges, Counsel of Record for Petitioner George Sheetz

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COUNTY OF EL DORADO, CALIFORNIA

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Aileen M. McGrath, certify that I am a member of the Bar of this Court, and that, in accordance with Rule 29.3, I have this 6th day of March 2026, caused one copy of the above letter to be served on the following counsel by third-party carrier and electronic mail.

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Dated: March 6, 2025



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