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November 10, 2026

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

Via: USPS Priority Mail

Re: Request for second extension of time to file a response to petition for certiorari, *Xavier Brown v. Mississippi*, Cause No. 26-5777

Dear Mr. Harris,

I am counsel for Respondent, the State of Mississippi ("Respondent"), in this case. Petitioner filed his Petition for Certiorari on October 2, 2026. Respondent's brief was originally due November 9, 2026. Respondent sought and received a 30-day extension of time to file its response, which extended the deadline to December 9, 2026.

Pursuant to Rule 30.4, the State of Mississippi, Respondent, respectfully requests a second 30-day extension of time, through January 8, 2027, to file its brief in opposition to the petition for writ of certiorari.

A second extension is necessary due to unforeseen circumstances involving the attorney originally assigned to prepare the brief. That attorney recently underwent surgery and is unable to complete the briefing. Undersigned has since assumed responsibility for the matter and requires additional time to become familiar with the record and prepare the Respondent's response.

This request is made in good faith and is not intended to delay proceedings. Respondent respectfully submits that the requested extension will allow newly assigned counsel adequate time to prepare a thorough response to the petition.

Counsel for Petitioner was contacted regarding this request and does not oppose the requested extension.

For these reasons, the State respectfully requests that the Court grant this application and extend the time for filing its brief in opposition through January 8, 2027.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ *Parker Proctor Jr.*
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Parker A. Proctor Jr., certify that on November 10, 2026, I have mailed a copy of this document via USPS first class mail to all parties required to be served. This letter was mailed to following address:

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THIS, the 10th day of November, 2026.

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