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

RE: Christi Jacobsen, Montana Secretary of State v. Montana Democratic Party,
et al., No. 24-220

Dear Mr. Harris,

Respondents Western Native Voice, Montana Native Vote, Blackfeet Nation, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, Fort Belknap Indian Community, and Northern Cheyenne Tribe respectfully request, pursuant to Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, a 60-day extension of time to respond to Montana Secretary of State Christi Jacobsen's petition for a writ of certiorari.

The Court requested a response to the petition and set a deadline of November 7, 2024. A 60-day extension of this deadline would fall on January 6, 2025.

This is the first request for an extension of time to file a response by Respondents Western Native Voice, Montana Native Vote, Blackfeet Nation, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, Fort Belknap Indian Community, and Northern Cheyenne Tribe.

Respondents request the extension because of their counsel's significant obligations in other matters over the next sixty days. Respondents' counsel, who are election law specialists, are currently engaged in numerous election-related cases and anticipate, based on the normal volume of litigation in presidential election years, that they will be engaged in additional new complex voting cases which are likely to entail emergency applications, through at least December. Undersigned counsel is also counsel in a case that is going to trial beginning November 12, 2024, Alabama State Conference of the NAACP v. Allen, No. 21-cv-01531-AMM (N.D. Ala.).

Secretary Jacobsen opposes a 60-day extension but consents to an extension until December 23, 2024. Accordingly, if the Court is disinclined to grant a 60-day



extension, Respondents respectfully request a 46-day extension, to December 23, 2024.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Theresa J. Lee". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'T' and a long, sweeping underline.

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