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Honorable Susanna Molina Rojas
Clerk of the Court
Supreme Court of the State of New York
Appellate Division, First Department
27 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10010

Re: *Nichols v. Hochul*, Case No. 2022-04649

Dear Ms. Rojas:

This office represents respondent Governor Kathy Hochul in the above matter. We submit this letter in response to your office's email dated December 29, 2022, inviting the respondents to submit any letter requesting oral argument in the above matter as soon as possible in light of the appellants' pending request for oral argument. Respondent Hochul takes no position on the appellants' request for oral argument. However, if the Court is inclined to grant the appellants' request, we respectfully request 15 minutes of oral argument on behalf of Governor Hochul.

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Respectfully submitted,

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