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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

Madilyn Short, Riley von Borstel,)
Kjrsten Schindler, and Jay-Mark)
Pascua,)
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Appellants,)
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v.)
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Governor Michael J. Dunleavy in his)
official capacity, State of Alaska,)
Office of Management and Budget,)
and State of Alaska, Department of)
Administration,)
)
Appellees.)
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Supreme Court No. S-18333

Trial Court Case No. 3AN-22-04028CI

**STATE’S RESPONSE TO EMERGENCY MOTION
TO EXPEDITE BRIEFING SCHEDULE**

The appellants have asked this Court to expedite briefing in this matter so as to allow for a decision on the merits “no later than May 4, 2022.” Although the State does not oppose expediting this case in principle, it does not believe that the appellants’ date has any particular significance for this year’s budget, which already includes funding for higher education grants and scholarships and the WWAMI program from general fund revenues. More specifically, the State is concerned that its appellate attorney in this matter has a competing Supreme Court deadline of March 9 in a case expedited under Alaska Rule of Appellate Procedure 218, and a half-day trial currently scheduled for March 14. The State therefore requests that any briefing schedule the Court sets allows the State to begin drafting its appellee brief after March 14.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify, that on this date, true and correct copies of the **State's Response to Emergency Motion to Expedite Briefing Schedule** and this **Certificate of Service**

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