

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA**  
**Case No. SC 18-67**

CITIZENS FOR STRONG )  
 SCHOOLS, INC.; et al., )  
 Petitioners, )  
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 vs. )  
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 FLORIDA STATE BOARD )  
 OF EDUCATION; et al., )  
 Respondents, )  
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 and )  
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 CELESTE JOHNSON; et al., )  
 Intervenors/Respondents. )  
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L.T. Case Nos. 1D16-2862;  
1D10-6285; 09-CA-4534

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**PETITIONERS’ UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR  
EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE INITIAL BRIEF**

Pursuant to Fla. R. App. P. 9.300(a), Petitioners, by and through their undersigned counsel, file this Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to File Their Initial Brief, and state as follows:

1. This is a declaratory action under Article IX, Section 1(a) of the Florida Constitution alleging that the State of Florida is breaching its constitutional paramount duty to provide a uniform, efficient, safe, secure and high quality system of free public schools that allows students to obtain a high quality education.

2. Petitioners are appealing the First District Court of Appeal opinion, 232 So.2d 1163 (Fla. 1st DCA 2017), which held that Petitioners’ claim under Article IX

is a non-justiciable political question. Petitioners' Initial Brief will require complex constitutional analysis and separation of powers issues and a voluminous record.

4. The Initial Brief in this matter is currently due on May 21, 2018.

5. Due to other professional obligations, including a Reply Brief due in the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals on May 25, the undersigned counsel for Petitioners needs additional time to prepare the Initial Brief, and requests a 14-day extension.

6. CERTIFICATE OF CONSULTATION. Counsel for Petitioners certifies that she has consulted with counsel for Respondents and for Intervenors who both state that they do not oppose this motion.

WHEREFORE, Petitioners respectfully request a 14- day extension of time up to and including June 4, 2018, to file their Initial Brief.

Respectfully submitted,  
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