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**Re: Carter, et al. v. Chapman, et al., No. 7 MM 2022**

To whom it may concern:

In accordance with the Court's February 15, 2022 correspondence regarding the Special Petition for Leave to File Amicus Brief on Behalf of Concerned Citizens for Democracy ("Petition") that was filed in this matter, please be advised that Jake Corman, President *Pro Tempore* of the Pennsylvania Senate, and Kim Ward, Majority Leader of the Pennsylvania Senate (together with Senator Corman, the "Senate Leaders"), will not file an answer to the Petition.<sup>1</sup>

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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cc: All counsel of record (via PACFile)

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<sup>1</sup> The Senate Leaders note, however, that the proposed *amicus* brief is accompanied by a proposed congressional redistricting map and an expert report that are not otherwise part of the evidentiary record for this matter. The Court should *not* take these items into consideration because the record is closed and, in any event, "[a]n *amicus curiae* is not a party and cannot raise issues that have not been preserved by the parties." Note to Pa.R.A.P. 531 (quoting *Commonwealth v. Cotto*, 753 A.2d 217, 224 n.6 (Pa. 2000)).

Although the Senate Leaders' counsel is submitting this letter, Bryan Cutler, Speaker of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, and Kerry Benninghoff, Majority Leader of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, by their counsel, join in the letter in full.