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In re: **KEYH(AM), Houston, TX**  
Facility ID No. 2911  
Silent since December 31, 2020  
Request for Special Temporary  
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Ms. Kirby:

This letter concerns the request you filed on December 10, 2020, on behalf of Estrella Radio Broadcasting of Houston LLC (ERBH), for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit AM Radio Station KEYH to remain silent.

ERBH's request states that Station KEYH(AM) went silent on December 31, 2020, pending the proposed modification of its facilities.<sup>1</sup>

ERBH's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KEYH(AM) to remain silent not to exceed 180 days from the date of this letter. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KEYH(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., January 1, 2022.**<sup>2</sup>

ERBH is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If ERBH does not file the notification of resumption of operations in a timely manner, the license may be subject to cancellation pursuant to section 312(g) of the Communications Act, as amended.<sup>3</sup>

The station's silent status does not suspend the licensee's obligation to comply with all other relevant Commission rules, including the filing, when appropriate, of applications for renewal of

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<sup>1</sup> On January 10, 2021, Joe Donalson filed an informal objection against the STA request based on the reason given for silence. This objection is hereby denied. A licensee may request permission to remain silent for many reasons, such as technical, financial, staffing, loss of program source, as well as any change to the facilities, such as loss of site, as here.

<sup>2</sup> See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

<sup>3</sup> *Id.* In addition to filing a notification of resumption of operations electronically on the date operations resume, notification of resumption must also be emailed to [Denise.Williams@FCC.gov](mailto:Denise.Williams@FCC.gov).

broadcast license. It is imperative to the safety of air navigation that any prescribed painting and illumination of the station's tower shall be maintained until removed.<sup>4</sup>

Sincerely,



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(via electronic mail)

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<sup>4</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).