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RE: **K290AO, Tonopah, NV**  
Facility ID No. 138841  
Silent since April 16, 2020  
Request for Extension of Special Temporary  
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Southmayd:

This letter concerns the request you filed on December 28, 2020, on behalf of Westside Christian Fellowship A. V. (WCF), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Translator Station K290AO to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that WCF stated that Station K290AO went silent on May 16, 2020, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on May 8, 2020, and expired on November 4, 2020.<sup>1</sup> WCF requests extension of its STA for continuing technical reasons.

WCF's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station K290AO to remain silent until April 16, 2021. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station K290AO will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., April 17, 2021.**<sup>2</sup>

WCF is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If WCF 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> We note that WCF failed to submit a timely request for an extension of STA to permit Station K290AO to remain silent beyond November 4, 2020. The action taken herein shall not be construed as authorizing the station to remain silent between November 4, 2020, and December 28, 2020.

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