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**RE: WZJR(FM), Portland, IN**  
Facility ID No. 3647  
Silent since August 18, 2020  
Request for Extension of Special  
Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Smithwick:

This letter concerns the request you filed on March 30, 2021, on behalf of Jayland Radio, Inc. (JR), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Radio Station WZJR to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that JR stated that Station WZJR(FM) went silent on August 18, 2020, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on October 7, 2020, and expired on April 5, 2021. JR requests extension of its STA due to the COVID-19 emergency.

JR's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WZJR(FM) to remain silent until August 18, 2021. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WZJR(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., August 19, 2021.**<sup>1</sup>

JR is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If JR 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>2</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 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>3</sup>

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Victoria McCauley".

Victoria McCauley  
Attorney, Audio Division  
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<sup>1</sup> See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

<sup>2</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.

<sup>3</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).