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Supreme Court of the United States
Attn: Scott S. Harris, Clerk of Court
1 First Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20543

Re: In Re Garland Ray Gregory, Jr.; Docket No. 22-6932

Dear Clerk Harris:

I represent Brent Fluke, Warden of Mike Durfee State Prison, and the State of South Dakota in the federal court matters involving Garland Ray Gregory's challenges of his state court conviction for conspiracy to commit first-degree murder. **This is not a capital case.**

Under Supreme Court Rule 20(3)(b), Warden Fluke and the State of South Dakota advise the Clerk and the Court that they do not wish to respond to Mr. Gregory's Petition for Writ of Mandamus. Of course, should the Court order a response, Warden Fluke and the State will fully comply with such an Order.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew W. Templar".

Matthew W. Templar
Assistant Attorney General

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cc: Garland Ray Gregory, Jr.