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Honorable Scott Harris
Clerk of the United States Supreme Court
1 First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20543

RE: *Willie James Pye v. Shawn Emmons, Warden*
Case No. 23-31

Dear Mr. Harris:

Petitioner Willie James Pye filed his petition for writ of certiorari on July 7, 2023. Respondent Warden's counsel respectfully requests a forty-six-day extension for filing a brief in opposition to the petition. Respondent's brief is due in this Court on August 10, 2023. During the briefing period, undersigned counsel had an oral argument in the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals on July 26, 2023, in the case of *Joseph Williams v. GDCP Warden*, Case No. 22-10249. Additionally, counsel has had active discovery involving briefing and depositions in the case of *Michael Wade Nance v. Comm'r, Ga. Dep't of Corr. et al.*, Case No. 1:20-cv-00107. Finally, counsel has a request for en banc brief due on August 9, 2023, in the Eleventh Circuit in the case of *Demarcus Sears v. Warden GDCP*, Case No. 18-13467. Given these responsibilities, a forty-six-day extension until September 24, 2023, would ensure that counsel for Respondent has adequate time to respond to Pye's petition for writ of certiorari appropriately. Opposing counsel does not object to the request.

Sincerely,

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