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Scott Harris, Clerk
The United States Supreme Court
One First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: *Ohio Dept. of Rehab. and Corr., Dir. v. Ayers*, Case No. 24-584

Dear Mr. Harris:

Petitioner submits this notice of supplemental authority in support of the petition in *Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, Director v. Kayla Jean Ayers*, Case No. 24-584. Respondent argues that the petition was untimely because it was filed on the first weekday after the deadline expired. But today, in *Velázquez v. Bondi*, No. 23-929, this Court held that the deadline for voluntary departure in the immigration code, if it falls on a weekend, extends to the next non-weekend, non-holiday calendar day. The opinion noted that this Court's own Rules and the Rules of Civil Procedure reflect the norm "[i]n legal settings" that "the term 'days' is often understood to extend deadlines falling on a weekend or legal holiday to the next business day." Slip Op. at 12 (citing Fed. R. Civ. Proc. 6(a)(1)(C) and S. Ct. R. 30(1)). One dissent added that "the justification for this special rule" is "the fact that filing papers in a court or government office on a weekend or holiday is often difficult or impossible." Slip Op. at 4 (Alito, J., dissenting). Both the opinion and a dissent support the Director's position that the petition was timely filed.

Respectfully yours,

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Enclosures

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