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

Re: *Porter Smith v. Michigan Department of Corrections, et al.*
United States Supreme Court No. 25-1028

Dear Mr. Harris:

Consistent with Supreme Court Rule 30.4, Respondents respectfully request that the time in which to file their brief in opposition be extended 30 days. The Respondents' answer is due on or before May 6, 2026. An additional 30 days would make our due date on or before Monday, June 5, 2026.

Respondents seek this extension due to numerous competing deadlines and obligations. Respondents' counsel of record, as Michigan Solicitor General, is in charge of all appellate litigation for the State of Michigan. Additional lawyers representing Respondents also have numerous competing deadlines.

Petitioner's counsel has agreed not to oppose a request for a 13-day extension, for a due date on or before May 19, 2026, but has indicated that Petitioner would oppose a request to extend beyond that date. In the event the Court denies Respondent's 30-day request, Respondents would request a 13-day extension to May 19, 2026.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure (Proof of Service)
cc: Daniel L. Geyser, *Counsel of Record*