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Hon. Scott S. Harris, Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
1 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20543

RE: *Topaz Johnson v. High Desert State Prison*, No. 25-457
Request for Extension of Time to File Response to Petition

Dear Mr. Harris:

This office represents respondent Sergeant Robert Sylva. The petition for a writ of certiorari was filed on October 10, 2025. The response to the petition is currently due on November 14. Pursuant to Rule 30.4, I respectfully request that the time for filing the response be extended by thirty days, so the deadline to file would be Monday, December 15. Respondent has not previously requested an extension of time in this matter.

The extension is requested because of the press of work, and because an extension of time would better enable the preparation of a response that we believe would be most helpful to the Court.

Accordingly, I request that the due date for the response to the petition for a writ of certiorari be extended to December 15, 2025.

Sincerely,

/s/ Aaron D. Pennekamp
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