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

Re: *Mike Brown, Warden v. Louis Chandler*, No. 25-529  
Motion to Extend Time to File Brief in Opposition

Dear Mr. Harris:

I write on behalf of Mr. Louis Chandler, Respondent in the above-captioned case. The Court docketed the petition for a writ of certiorari in this matter on October 31, 2025. On December 1, 2025, Respondent filed a waiver of its right to respond. On December 9, 2025, the Court requested a response. The response is currently due on January 8, 2026.

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rules 15.3 and 30.4, Respondent respectfully requests a 30-day extension, until February 7, 2026, to file a brief in opposition.<sup>1</sup> Petitioner does not object to an extension.

The extension is warranted because Respondent's counsel has numerous competing deadlines and obligations and would benefit from additional time to fully research and brief the issues raised in the petition for certiorari.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jessica Zimbelman  
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<sup>1</sup> Because February 7, 2026, falls on a Saturday, the actual deadline would be February 9, 2026, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.1.