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Dear Chief Justice and Justices of the Supreme Court of Mississippi,

I respectfully write to this Honorable Court as a supporter of Carly Madison Gregg, from France.

In its decision of August 20, 2026, the Court clarified that Carly's sentence is life imprisonment, not life imprisonment without the possibility of parole. I understand, however, that the Mississippi Department of Corrections still classifies her as ineligible for parole, as it has not received a formal order from the Court to update her records.

I would be grateful if the Court could issue the Mississippi Department of Corrections with the necessary documentation, so that Carly's sentence is accurately reflected in her records. A real prospect of parole matters for anyone, and even more so for a child, as years in prison weigh so much more heavily at that age.

Carly was very young at the time of the events, which is why I believe she is capable of rebuilding her life. She has shown that she is hardworking and determined: she continues her education in prison with remarkable results, as shown by her third place and the award for Best Project in Mississippi History at Mississippi History Day 2026. These qualities could one day help her find her place in society.

Even from France, thousands of miles away, Carly's story deeply moved me as a mother: a 14-year-old girl, sentenced as an adult. I do not forget the tragic loss of her mother, Ashley Smylie. But I believe that justice for a child must leave room for rehabilitation.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

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