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Re: Father Gerald Robinson

Dear Governor Kasich:

Please be advised that I am counsel for Father Gerald Robinson, currently an inmate in the Ohio prison system. He was convicted in 2006 of killing a nun on the Saturday before Easter of 1980 and is serving a sentence of 15 to life. Last Friday, Father Robinson, now 76, was moved to the State prison hospital in Columbus because he was experiencing shortness of breath. Tests over the weekend have established that he suffered one or more heart attacks and is now presently living out his few remaining days. My understanding is that he would be moved to the hospice facility in the prison.

He has requested and received last rites. I am writing to request a compassionate release for Father Robinson so that he might be returned to Toledo to spend his last few days with his brother and sister-in-law. I realize the procedure I am following is not typical, but there is so little time left, it seemed best to proceed in this unorthodox manner.

I appreciate your attention regardless of your decision.

Respectfully yours,

Richard M. Kerger

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