

HENRY DARGAN MCMASTER GOVERNOR

September 20, 2024

The Honorable Bryan P. Stirling South Carolina Department of Corrections 4444 Broad River Road Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Freddie Eugene Owens a/k/a Khalil Divine Black Sun Allah

SCDC No.: 005065

State of South Carolina v. Freddie Eugene Owens

Dear Director Stirling:

I am in receipt of an Application for Executive Clemency, dated September 17, 2024 ("Application"), submitted on behalf of the above-referenced inmate. I have carefully reviewed and thoughtfully considered the Application, as well as certain additional petitions or informal requests for executive elemency in connection with this matter.

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina and pursuant to article IV, section 14 of the South Carolina Constitution and the discretion conferred upon me therein, and consistent with my contemporaneous oral transmission of my decision to you, this letter shall memorialize and further confirm that I have declined to grant any form of executive elemency in this matter. Accordingly, unless stayed by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, the execution shall proceed in accordance with section 17-25-370 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and the Supreme Court of South Carolina's August 23, 2024 Execution Notice.

Yours very truly,

Henry Dargan McMaster