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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
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Issue: Clemency for Tracy Hensen
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Message: Dear Governor, I am writing to urge to to grant clemency to Tracy Hansen in the brutal death of Mississippi Highway Patrolman Bruce Ladner. I recognize that the murder of this law enforcement officer and family man was hienous. I have the greates t sympathy for the family and friends that have to deal with the reprcussions of such a crime. Having stated that I can not as a human being condone the death of another, under any circumstances. The taking of human life is a sin against God in whatever f orm it takes...Clearly, in the United States, the death penalty has become a form of vengeance, the argument for deterence of further crime has been disproved time and ag ain. Further, the circumstances in which Tracy Hansen was sentenced are shaky , at be st. His lawyer had been practicing less than five years and had never handled a death penalty case before this trial. Govennor, as a lawyer, you are fully aware this man did not have adaquete representation. Evidence sugges!

ng organic brain damage and severe abuse throughout his life was also not shown to th e jury. These facts argue for a serious deliberation regarding clemency. Govenrnor, t he United States is the last developed nation in the world to practice state sanction ed death. We are now in the same company as China and Iraq...does this make any of us proud? Within the United States, Mississippi is still looked upon as the last bastio n of proud ignorance and misguided faith. Sir, please show the world and nation that we, the citizens of Mississippi, are aware that the taking of any human life, in any circumstance, is wrong. Please consider clemency for Tracy Hansen. Thank you for you r time.

Kelley G. Beckner

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