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Non Violent Parole Review Process Board of Parole Hearings Correspondence – NV P.O. Box 4036 Sacramento, CA 95812-4036

RE: Jeffrey Ellsworth – CDCR No. BH6855

"Armed and Dangerous" – that is the best way to describe Inmate Ellsworth. Don't let his silver hair fool you; he has not retired from criminal activity. Inmate Ellsworth has spent the last thirty-nine years either committing crimes, or serving prison terms, as a consequence for those crimes. Despite numerous efforts to rehabilitate Inmate Ellsworth, he has disregarded all resources and opportunities given to him and continued to put the community at risk of narcotics abuse, guns, and violence. The circumstances surrounding his current conviction, coupled with his prior criminal record, including his multiple strike priors, shows that he poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community.

His committing offenses are just the latest installment on a lengthy violent resume. Inmate Ellsworth committing offenses involved his usual behavior – guns. On September 20, 2018, Inmate Ellsworth was driving a mustang when Sacramento Police officers attempted a traffic stop after Ellsworth failed to stop at a stop sign. Instead of following the rules, Ellsworth evaded officers and threw a loaded 9 mm handgun out the window. When confronted by officers about the gun, he lied saying it was not his and he did not know anything about it. Inmate Ellsworth poses an extreme risk to the community, particularly when armed with a semi-automatic handgun.

His committing offenses are predicable considering his history, which clearly shows that he has never learned from his mistakes, disregards his probation commitments, and shows no signs of rehabilitation. Inmate Ellsworth's history is not just long - it is *violent*. In 1984, he was sentenced to twelve years for his first strike offense, Penal Code section 211, robbery. He must have paroled early because in 1990, he was convicted again. Based on his rap sheet, it appears he was convicted of assault with a firearm in violation of Penal Code section 245(a)(2), kidnapping in violation of Penal Code section 207, and attempted murder in violation of Penal Code section 664/187. Inmate Ellsworth was sentenced to 40 years in state prison. He should still be in custody for those offenses. However, since being let out, he picked up four more felony offenses, including multiple counts of evasion. If his resume is any indication of the future, it is only a matter of time before he has another victim.

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As we are given 30 days to respond, and we are not provided with any disciplinary history or any other information aside from the one-page notice of parole review, I cannot comment on Inmate Ellsworth's prison conduct. However, from the record that is available it is clear that Inmate Ellsworth should not be released as he poses a significant, unreasonable risk of violence to the community. Parole should be denied.

Regards,

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