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Non Violent Parole Review Process
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Re: Placentia, Michael
CDCR No. BP0446
Court Docket No. 20FE018924

Inmate Placentia is a well-established felon and should not be paroled early. Although the circumstances surrounding his current conviction may relate to a seemingly simple property crime, his prior criminal record shows that he poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community.

On November 27, 2020, victim [REDACTED] Ford F250 pick-up truck was parked at a Home Depot store in Woodland, California when it was stolen by Placentia. Law enforcement officers subsequently used location data from the victim's cell phone to track the vehicle and apprehend Placentia. On May 19, 2021, Placentia was sentenced to 4 years in state prison for a violation of Vehicle Code section 10851 and admitted allegations for prior vehicle theft convictions pursuant to Penal Code section 666.5 and a prior strike conviction pursuant to Penal Code section 667(b)-(i).

At the time this offense was committed, Placentia was on active post release community supervision (PRCS) for a previous conviction of Vehicle Code sections 10851 and 2800.2(a) (reckless evasion from a peace officer). That case resulted in a sentence of 3 years 8 months in state prison. Not only should Placentia have been in physical custody, rather than theoretical custody under PRCS at the time the present offense was committed, he had at least three additional prior convictions for vehicle theft prior to this incident.

Most importantly, Placentia was convicted in 2006 for violating Penal Code section 215 (carjacking, a violent felony), as well as a separate violation of Vehicle Code section 10851 and sent to prison for 9 years and 4 months. In that case, the carjacking victim was washing his car in the driveway of his home and left the keys in the ignition. When the victim looked away, Placentia jumped inside and attempted to drive away.

The victim proceeded to jump into the open passenger window to deter Placentia, who continued to drive. Placentia subsequently crashed the vehicle into a nearby chain-link fence while the victim was still hanging partially out of the window. Placentia fled to a nearby waiting car where other occupants began throwing objects at the victim. Placentia was located a few weeks later in another stolen vehicle.

As of the time this letter is being written, Placentia has served less than 1 year and 6 months of his 4-year sentence. He has shown that he will not comply with alternative means of custody or supervision and has a willingness to use violence in committing property related offenses that are seemingly innocuous (e.g. vehicle theft).

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 Placentia's prison conduct. However, from the record that is available it is clear that Inmate Placentia should not be released as he poses a significant, unreasonable risk of violence to the community. Parole should be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ryan Roebuck', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Ryan Roebuck
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