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

Re: Tavares Dewey **CDC** # BU6000 **Court Dockets:** 21FE012156, 22FE008622

Inmate Dewey has demonstrated a willful disregard for the law and should not be paroled. The circumstances surrounding his current conviction and his prior criminal record show that he poses an unreasonable risk of continued criminality and risk to the community.

Inmate Dewey began his criminal career in 1999 when he was involved in a shooting and convicted of attempted murder in violation of Penal Code section 664/187. In that case, Inmate Dewey was riding a bus when the two victims boarded the same bus. All three men got into a fight and exited the bus at the next stop, walking in different directions. The victims returned to the bus stop, where Inmate Dewey was standing with multiple people. There was a verbal exchange and Inmate Dewey retrieved a firearm and shot at both victims, injuring them both as well as an uninvolved bystander whose leg was amputated as a result of the shooting. Inmate Dewey received a sentence of 20 years in prison. Inmate Dewey was subsequently released on parole in February 2017. Despite being paroled for a deadly crime, Inmate Dewey continued to reoffend, leading to his current commitment offenses. First, in July 2021, Inmate Dewey was stopped for speeding and suspicion of driving under the influence. A subsequent search of the vehicle yielded a Polymer 80 firearm without a serial number, as well as a number of illicit drugs. Then, in May of 2022, Inmate Dewey was again pulled over for vehicle code violations while out on bail for the earlier incident. A search of his vehicle yielded a loaded Glock 23 with a 17 round magazine that was confirmed to have been stolen, as well as 40 ecstasy pills and 15 grams of cocaine. Inmate Dewey was convicted of violations of Health and Safety Code sections 11370.1(a) and 11351 and received a total of 6 years in state prison.

Inmate Dewey has demonstrated a complete disregard for the law and the safety of the community.

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

Further, supervised release has proven to be no deterrent for crime for Inmate Dewey. If released, he will be quick to resume the same conduct. For these reasons, we respectfully request that early parole be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

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