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Board of Parole Members,

Burglary and recklessly evading officers. Those are the crimes that Inmate Watson was most recently convicted of. However, Inmate Watson has been convicted of a number of crimes since his first [REDACTED] conviction in 2008. [REDACTED]

When he received his first [REDACTED] conviction in 2008, Inmate Watson was 19 years old. In the short amount of time since becoming an adult, Inmate Watson has been convicted of crimes such as unlawful possession of a weapon, resisting arrest, grand theft, vandalism, and assault with a deadly weapon, violation of a restraining order, and criminal threats, in addition to the case before us. Out of those convictions, three were felonies. While out on parole for his strike, Inmate Watson committed his fourth and fifth felonies. His actions in his last offense demonstrate his continuing disregard for the safety of our community as well as for law enforcement.

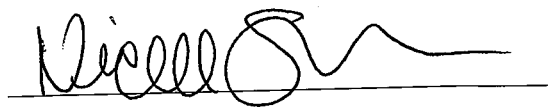
In 2011, while continuing his criminal behavior, Inmate Watson escalated his use of violence when he assaulted his own mother. In that case, Inmate Watson made several threats to her, assaulted her, and then swung a knife at her. Inmate Watson pled to a felony violation of Penal Code Section 422, criminal threats. This was Inmate Watson's third felony conviction and is his strike offense. He initially received a sentence of one year in county jail, however, he later went to state prison for three years on a violation of probation.

Since being released from custody on his prior strike conviction, Inmate Watson has continued to violate the law and put the public at risk. Inmate Watson received a 120 day sentence in September of 2104, just a few months after being released from prison. He then committed his most recent crimes in September of 2015, while he was still on parole.

In the present case, Inmate Watson was observed pulling down fence boards in the backyard of his father's house so that he could gain access into the backyard of the neighbor's home. The owner of that home had recently passed away and Inmate Watson used that death to his advantage by burglarizing the home. Inmate Watson father came home and observed him moving property from the victim's yard into his yard. Inmate Watson fled when his father confronted him. When he came back to his father's home a short time later, he fled again after observing officers at the home.

Officers attempted to conduct a traffic stop but Inmate Watson began driving in a reckless and dangerous manner. Inmate Watson ran multiple stop signs in a residential neighborhood while travelling at speeds of 40 to 60 miles per hour. While fleeing, Inmate Watson almost collided with another vehicle and a pedestrian. The vehicle pursuit ended when Inmate Watson drove onto a dead end street. However, instead of surrendering, he jumped out of the moving vehicle and led the officers on a foot pursuit. After jumping out of the vehicle, the vehicle continued to roll and collided with a fence. Inmate Watson began jumping fences into the yards of the neighborhood homes. He was finally located while he hid on top of a roof and was detained. Inmate Watson's father stated that he believes Inmate Watson was intoxicated that day. He is currently serving a prison sentence of two years and eight months.

Inmate Watson has continued to violate the law [REDACTED] and his crimes continue to become more sever and dangerous in nature. [REDACTED] he has never gone a significant amount of time before committing a new offence. Every single offence that Inmate Watson has committed [REDACTED] has been while he was on some sort of supervision, whether it was [REDACTED] misdemeanor probation, felony probation, or parole. Inmate Watson continues to put the lives of the public as well as the officers who protect our communities at risk. He will, without a doubt, reoffend if he is released early from prison. Therefore, the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office opposes any early release of Inmate Watson.



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