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Non-Violent Second Striker
Board of Parole Hearings
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Re: Willie C. Harris (CDC # AB3922)

In recent years, driving under the influence has been his crime-of-choice and our streets are safer for every day he spends incarcerated.

He has multiple felonies, including a strike convictions in 1985 for 1st Degree Burglary. Beginning in 1999, Mr. Harris received his first of seven convictions for Driving under the Influence (VC 23152(a)). He has seven convictions for driving with a suspended license (VC 14601.1(a)) as well as a conviction for reckless driving while under the influence (VC 23103.5).

Harris is presently incarcerated for a conviction in 2011 for which he was found guilty by a jury of felony drunk driving where his blood alcohol level was .17 which is more than twice the legal limit. Mr. Harris was on parole for felony drunk driving at the time from a 2008 offense when his blood alcohol was .19. He received a seven year prison sentence in recognition of the grave danger he presents to every law-abiding citizen who must use our roadways to drive to work, to medical appointments, to shop for food and to drop children off at school.

Time and again he has proven that he is unwilling to abide by the conditions of probation and parole. Given that the best predictor of future behavior is prior behavior, there is little doubt that once Harris is free, he will pick up a bottle and drink and drive, yet again. Mr. Harris needs to be kept off the road before he kills someone. He poses a consistent and continuous risk to public safety. It appears that incarceration is his only deterrent.

Respectfully,

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