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

**RE:** Morton, Theodore

## Court Docket: 13F002313, 07F04317, 07F00878

For over 20 years, Inmate Morton has been actively selling drugs, stealing from innocent victims and committing violent felonies. Since 1994, there has never been a period of time that Inmate Morton was not either in state prison or on probation and/parole. In the past, whenever any leniency is shown to him, Inmate Morton responds by simply committing a new crime and taking advantage of innocent victims. The circumstances surrounding his current conviction and his prior criminal record show that he poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community

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In 2007, Inmate Morton committed a series of bank robberies and was sent to state prison. In addition to the bank robberies, he also assaulted his **series**, stole multiple cars, and ran away from pursing officers, both in a car and on foot. In 2008, Inmate Morton was evaluated by the Sacramento Probation department and was found to be a very high risk to reoffend and that he was a danger to the public and thus incarceration in state prison was recommended. Inmate Morton has done nothing in the last ten years to prove that assessment of him was inaccurate.

The facts of his current committing offense prove that Inmate Morton is uninterested in proving that very report was not correct. Not long after being released from state prison, in 2015, Inmate Morton was pulled over by officers for a traffic code violation. During the course of their investigation, officers found over a large quantity of methamphetamine in his car, in addition to a large sum of cash and other indicia of drugs sales. During the fairly quick search of his car, Inmate Morton's phone rang over 20 times. An officer finally answered one of those calls and was able to negotiate a sale of methamphetamine with an unidentified caller when the officer impersonated Inmate Morton.

When Inmate Morton is eventually released, he will undoubtedly continue to his criminal lifestyle. He will continue to support his lifestyle by the sales of drugs and various acts of theft. He has been convicted and sent to state prison multiple times, yet he has done nothing to avail himself of any resources to make him a productive member of society. Inmate Morton was already provided leniency in his sentencing when a negotiated resolution was reached and he was

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allowed to enter a plea for well below what his potential state prison exposure was. Any additional leniency would only serve to reinforce his criminal behavior and allow Inmate Morton be emboldened to continue to not be a productive member of society. The District Attorney of Sacramento County urges the Board to deny Inmate Morton an early release.

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

Respectfully,

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