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

Re: Solis, Isaac CDC # AZ-7291 Court Docket: 16FE001617

Inmate Solis is a well-established violent felon, and should not be paroled. The circumstances surrounding his current conviction and his prior criminal record show that he poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community.

During the early morning hours of January 22, 2016, an officer responded to a report of a suspicious person on the side of a road and near a vehicle. The officer contacted a male who was identified as Solis. A records check revealed Solis was serving a formal grant of probation from a 2014 felony conviction. A search of Solis's person revealed the following contraband in his jacket pocket: a methamphetamine pipe that contained residue of use, a useable amount (0.74 grams) of methamphetamine, and two rounds of live .45-caliber firearm ammunition. A search of the vehicle yielded a lock-picking kit that the officer described as burglary tools. Regarding the contraband, Solis stated that he knew he was prohibited from possessing the ammunition, that his brother-in-law had a firearm at a residence where Solis stayed, and that he obtained the methamphetamine a day ago.

Inmate Solis' most recent criminal offense was not his first involving methamphetamine. In 2005, Solis pled guilty to felony charges for gross vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated, driving under the influence causing injury, and driving a stolen vehicle. The tragic incident underlying those charges occurred the year before. On October 12, 2004, Solis, while under the influence of methamphetamine, was driving a pickup truck that had been stolen during a residential burglary in the preceding 24-48 hours. He lost control while navigating a curve, struck the curb, and then crossed the center divide into oncoming traffic which caused a head-on collision with a vehicle driven by 25-year-old Mattie Wilson. Solis and two passengers in the pickup were injured. Ms. Wilson was pronounced dead at the scene. After pleading guilty to the charges related to Ms. Wilson's death, Solis told a probation officer he would not use any hard drug again. Solis was sentenced to 11 years, 4 months in state prison.

Despite the fatal consequence of his past unlawful drug use and criminal activity, and nearly six years in prison during his first incarceration, inmate Solis has not rehabilitated. In addition to causing Ms. Wilson's death in 2004 and his most recent offense in 2016, Solis' adult criminal

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record includes offenses both prior to and after his first prison sentence. Solis was convicted of misdemeanors for three drug-related offenses from 2002-2004 as well as check fraud in 2004. Paroled in 2011, Solis's prison experience did nothing to stop his criminal behavior. In 2014, while on parole, Solis was convicted of a misdemeanor charge and a felony charge from separate incidents where he again attempted to fraudulently cash checks.

In the aftermath of causing Ms. Wilson's death, Solis should have learned the dangerous consequences that result from illegal drug use, theft, and driving under the influence. He pledged he would stop using drugs. However, Solis has continued to reoffend. With regard to the time following his first prison term, it is concerning that Solis' criminal conduct appears to be escalating in terms of the threat he poses to public safety. After his convictions related to check fraud in 2014, for which Solis was granted probation, he was then found in 2016 to be in possession of firearm ammunition, burglary tools, methamphetamine, and a methamphetamine pipe that contained evidence of use. Solis admitted to law enforcement that he had obtained the methamphetamine and that he knew he was prohibited from possessing firearm ammunition. These circumstances are aggravated when considering that Solis was found alone near the vehicle and could have been driving it while simultaneous possessing methamphetamine and the pipe for its use. His illegal possession of two rounds of ammunition are further aggravating when considering his admission to law enforcement that the person with whom Solis was staying had a firearm at home. Rather than reform, Inmate Solis has continued to flagrantly violate the law while continuing to endanger the public.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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