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RE: Devin Epps – CDCR#BG3072 Court Docket Number – 17FE020978

Inmate Epps is a well-established violent felon, and should not be paroled. The circumstances surrounding his current conviction and his prior criminal record shows that he poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community. Inmate Epps was convicted of felony violations of Vehicle Code §§2800.2 and 10851. In the matter, Inmate Epps stole a car worth over \$10,000. Inmate Epps then drives it around town when officers spot him. Officers attempt to conduct a high risk traffic top, however Inmate Epps fails to yield and speeds off. A dangerous pursuit ensued whereas Inmate Epps drives through three (3) stop signs in a residential neighborhood, accelerates to over 90 MPH on city streets and drives into the opposite lane of traffic. The pursuit ended when Inmate Epps crashed his car at a high rate of speed into the occupied vehicle of an innocent citizen.

At the time of this incident, Inmate Epps was wanted in San Luis Obispo County for a failure to appear on a felony case. Also, at the time, Inmate Epps was on Post Release Community Supervision out of Fresno County.

Inmate Epps' current incarceration convictions are the fourteenth and fifteenth of his young adult life. He has been sentenced to State Prison on thirteen (13) of those convictions and has seven (7) different State Prison commitments since 2011. He has a strike conviction for residential burglary and has twice been convicted of being a felon in possession of a firearm.

Inmate Epps has not rehabilitated himself even a scintilla after each prison commitment. Rather, he has continued to commit new crimes as soon as he is released. Inmate Epps cannot and most likely will not abide by societal norms when released. Based on the aggravated conduct in the current commitment offense and fact that Inmate Epps has shown a willingness to commit new crimes soon after release from State Prison, his request for early release should be denied. As we are given 30 days to respond, and we are not provided with disciplinary history or additional institutional information, I cannot comment more specifically on Inmate Epps' prison conduct.

However, from the available record, it is clear that Inmate Epps should not be released as he poses a significant, unreasonable risk of violence to the community. Parole should be denied.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Sam Nong', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Sam Nong
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