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

Re: Prasad, Arvindra CDCR No. BS2854 Court Docket Nos. 20FE016291 and 21FE002984

Inmate Arvindra Prasad is a well-established criminal who has a lengthy criminal history dating back to 2004 and should not be paroled. Inmate Prasad has almost no break in criminal activity and picked up his most recent case while pending trial on a separate case, therefore the People object to parole.

In his first commitment offense, on October 12, 2020, Inmate Prasad was stopped by Elk Grove Police Officer Parra for driving at a high rate of speed. After Officer Parra identified Inmate Prasad as the driver, Inmate Prasad stated he was on parole. A parole search of Inmate Prasad's vehicle yielded a loaded Glock 22 with an extended magazine and over 11 ounces of marijuana. The firearm with the extended magazine was not registered. Inmate Prasad denied ownership of the firearm but stated the marijuana belonged to him. Inmate Prasad was ultimately convicted of a felony violation of Penal Code Section 29800(1)(a) – possession of a firearm by a prohibited person and received a sentence of 32 months.

Inmate Prasad's arrest for the firearm and marijuana did not deter him from committing crimes. Instead, while out on bail, Inmate Prasad was again arrested on February 17, 2021 for his second commitment offense. Inmate Prasad was facing charges of possessing heroin for the purpose of sale, transporting methamphetamine, and possession of methamphetamine. Inmate Prasad was also convicted of a felony violation of Health and Safety Code 11351 – possessing heroin for the purpose of sale. Inmate Prasad received a sentence of two years consecutive for this conviction.

It should be noted that Inmate Prasad was on parole from a 2018 case when he committed the above two mentioned offenses. Inmate Prasad was placed on parole after he was convicted of violating Penal Code Section 246.3 – negligent discharge of a firearm in a grossly negligent manner – which is a strike offense in California. Inmate Prasad was initially charged with several felonies including criminal threats and felon in possession of a firearm. Inmate Prasad was arguing with the victim when he began to smash the windows of her vehicle. The victim's son

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heard the disturbance and went outside to check on his mother. At this point, Inmate Prasad became more enraged when he was unable to break the driver's side door window. Inmate Prasad pulled a gun form his waistband, pointed at the victim and her son, and stated "I could kill you both right now." During the course of the investigation, deputies spoke with the victim's husband about the event. The victim's husband also disclosed to deputies that Inmate Prasad was responsible for a shooting that occurred on October 21, 2018. The victim's husband stated he was inside of his residence when he heard 6 gunshots coming from the front of the house. When he looked outside, he saw Inmate Prasad shooting off the last shot. The victim's husband stated he then saw Inmate Prasad and another individual run into the backyard of a residence where Inmate Prasad threw the gun onto the roof of the shed.

Prior to this conviction, Inmate Prasad violated several grants of probation spanning from 2004 to 2006. It is clear by Inmate Prasad's conduct that probation status, parole status, nor being out on bail is a deterrent. Inmate Prasad should not benefit from parole as it is evident that he is unwilling to obey the law and poses an unreasonable risk to the community.

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 Prasad's most recent prison conduct. However, from the record that is available it is clear that Inmate Prasad 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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