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RE: Robert Reynolds, CDCR # BA-1309

Dear Board of Parole Hearings,

Thank you for the opportunity to address the Board regarding the administrative review of inmate Robert Reynolds, CDCR # BA-1309, and his suitability for early release based on the fact that he is being given 50% credits.

The Yolo County District Attorney's Office opposes the early release of Mr. Reynolds because he poses an unreasonable risk to public safety. In this case, Mr. Reynolds was convicted in Yolo County of Heath and Safety Code § 11378, Possession for Sale of Narcotics.

The facts are as follows: On July 3, 2015, while investigating two other individuals, officers observed text messages selling narcotics from Mr. Reynolds, a validated Broderick Boy gang member, to the individuals. Using the individual's phone, officers offered to trade pills for methamphetamine. Mr. Reynolds agreed and arrived at the buy location to sell methamphetamine. Despite the fact that officers were in full police uniform and identified themselves as officers, Mr. Reynolds refused to get onto the ground and continued putting his hands in his pockets. He then turned and walked away from officers. Mr. Reynolds continued resisting even when on the ground, before being handcuffed. Mr. Reynolds had 1.2 grams of methamphetamine in his pocket, along with a red bandana. Mr. Reynolds was also inside the gang injunction area after previously being served with the gang injunction prohibiting him from selling narcotics in the area. At the time of this offense Mr. Reynolds was on PRCS for his most recent felony, possession of a metal military practice hand grenade.

Mr. Reynolds's criminal history is extensive. In his most recent felony, for which he was on PRCS at the time of the Possession for Sale of Narcotics, Mr. Reynolds was on parole for Possession of a Firearm by a Felon. A parole search of his residence revealed a loaded unregistered handgun, over 40 rounds of different types of ammunition, a balaclava, a

nunchaku and a military practice grenade. At the time Mr. Reynolds was a felon, a validated gang member and on Parole.

Mr. Reynolds was on parole for Possession of a Firearm by a Felon and a Gang Enhancement. At the time of that case, Mr. Reynolds was again on parole. During a parole search, officers found a 12 gauge shotgun, gang paraphernalia, shotgun shells, marijuana, a four inch long blade hidden under Mr. Reynolds's mattress, a methamphetamine pipe and gang graffiti. Mr. Reynolds had text messages on his phone offering to trade the shotgun for pistols.

At the time of the above-described case, Mr. Reynolds was on parole for Health and Safety Code 11377. In this case Mr. Reynolds was contacted with another gang member and a bag of methamphetamine was found on the ground near them. Mr. Reynolds had gang paraphernalia with him and gang photographs on his cell phone, violations of his probation.

Mr. Reynolds was on probation for Carrying a Loaded and Stolen Firearm. In this case, Mr. Reynolds was driving and nearly hit another vehicle. After being pulled over, Mr. Reynolds, who was on probation, had an odor of alcohol on his breath and did not have a valid driver's license. On the rear passenger floorboard was a loaded hand gun. The gun was previously stolen in a home burglary. Based on Mr. Reynolds's gang affiliations, officers were able to determine that possession of the firearm was for the benefit of a gang.

Mr. Reynolds should be required to serve his entire sentence before being released into the community. Mr. Reynolds's previous five felony offenses were all committed while he was on either probation or parole. The majority of those offenses involved Mr. Reynolds's continued gang involvement and possession of firearms. It is clear from Mr. Reynolds's actions that he is refuses to refrain from gang activity and the possession of firearms. Mr. Reynolds's actions pose a serious risk to public safety.

Your analysis and decision for early release centers upon whether the inmate would pose an unreasonable risk to public safety. Based on the facts and circumstances of these crimes, it is our belief that Mr. Reynolds continues to pose an unreasonable risk to public safety. For this reason the District Attorney asks this Board not to release Mr. Reynolds before his sentence is concluded.

Sincerely,

Deputy District Attorney