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Non Violent Parole Review Process
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Re: May, Steve
CDCR No. AY4625
Court Docket No. 15F01299
Agency Report No. VHP-15-FT416

Inmate May has proven to the State of California – on five separate occasions – that when he is confronted by law enforcement officers while in a vehicle, he will dangerously flee, with zero regard for the safety of people and property that are endangered by his reckless criminal conduct. On May 10, 2015, despite having been convicted on *four* separate occasions of felony reckless evasion, in violation of Vehicle Code § 2800.2(a), including a pursuit in 2006 where he repeatedly intentionally rammed a pursuing police officer's vehicle, in violation of Penal Code § 245(c), in an attempt to escape, inmate May again chose to endanger the public at large by fleeing from pursuing police officers at a high rate of speed. In short, inmate May has proven time-and-time again that he is a dangerous criminal concerned only with his own escape and that he poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community.

In fact, if one were to look up the phrase “career criminal” in a dictionary, you would likely find a booking photograph of Steve May. Beginning with [REDACTED] burglary (Penal Code § 459) in [REDACTED] 1992, inmate May has lived a relentless life of crime ever since – with convictions for possession of a controlled substance, felony reckless evading, trespassing, receiving stolen property, vehicle theft, being under the influence of a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance for sale, assault on a peace officer with a deadly weapon, and numerous parole and probation violations (resulting in at least six separate terms of prison custody). For over 24 years, inmate May has done nothing but commit crime after crime after crime. The only time that ordered society is free from inmate May's life of crime is when he is incarcerated and unable to plague our criminal justice system.

On May 10, 2015, Deputy Probation Officer (DPO) Patrick Michael went to inmate May's residence to conduct a compliance check on inmate May, who was on post-release community supervision (PRCS) following his 2013 conviction for grand theft (Penal Code § 487(a)) and 32 month commitment to state prison. Upon arrival, DPO Michael observed the victim's stolen vehicle – stolen from a parking lot while she was work the day before – at his residence and contacted officers from the California Highway Patrol (CHP) to investigate. Shortly after, CHP officers arrived in the area and began conducting surveillance of the stolen truck. While conducting surveillance, the officers observed inmate May and his co-defendant, [REDACTED] H [REDACTED], arrive in a silver Honda Civic. H [REDACTED] exited May's vehicle, got into the stolen truck, and the two drove away in tandem, with inmate May following directly behind the stolen truck. When CHP officers initiated a vehicle stop by cutting off their path of travel and ordering them out

In fact, as this Board's prior decision regarding inmate May last year showed, inmate May does well inside the prison setting – avoiding rules violations, attending and succeeding in positive rehabilitative programming, and demonstrating positive work attitude. While inmate May should be commended for his work inside the prison, his positive custodial programming coupled with his repeated inability to avoid criminal conduct while on supervision in the community demonstrates that inmate May needs the structure and support found inside the prison system. Society is best served when a career criminal is successfully rehabilitated and returned to the community as an individual who can follow the rules of ordered society. Releasing inmate May – who is showing positive steps toward rehabilitation inside prison – early will not advance that goal. Instead, early release will serve no rehabilitative purpose and place inmate May back in the same environment that he has failed in time and time again. While it might not be in inmate May's short-term best interest to complete his entire sentence, completing the term of imprisonment he earned through a life of crime, and maximizing the rehabilitative services available to him in prison is in the best long-term interest of both inmate May and society.

At this time, it is clear from inmate May's past criminal history, that inmate May should not be released as he poses a significant, unreasonable risk of violence to the community. Parole should be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brad Ng', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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