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RE: Radney, Jahmi CDC # AN8349

Board of Parole Members,

Jahmi Radney should not be granted early release because he is a risk to the safety of our community. Rather than learning to better his life and contribute to society, he has diligently pursued greater levels of criminality.

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in 2000, he suffered a misdemeanor conviction for statutory rape of a minor more than three years younger than himself. His conduct was concerning, but he was neither armed nor violent at that stage.

That all changed a mere three years later, when Mr. Radney was convicted of his strike offense, an armed robbery in 2003. In that case, the inmate and an associate found themselves stranded roadside, without gas for their vehicle. The associate was armed with a small handgun. When a good Samaritan approached their vehicle to offer assistance, Mr. Radney and his associate robbed the man of \$28; undoubtedly, it was all the man had at the time. The inmate was placed on probation and served jail time for this offense.

Having earned his first strike before he was old enough to drink, Mr. Radney faced a critical juncture in his life. He could be a productive member of society, or a destructive one. Mr. Radney choose poorly. While on probation, the inmate failed to participate in drug treatment, pursue employment, or even attend his scheduled probation appointments. He found other ways to spend his time, as he was validated by the Sacramento Sheriff's Department as a North Highlands Crip gang member, operating as "Young J" or "J-Dog" in 2004.

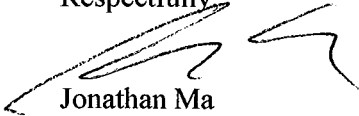
Not satisfied with relatively peripheral participation, the inmate chose to be more hands-on in 2005, when he punched his girlfriend in the head, causing her to lose briefly lose consciousness in between kicks to her face, ribs, and arm. This conduct triggered his second felony conviction, an assault with force likely to cause great bodily injury. The inmate was generously granted probation and jail once again.

With two felony crimes of violence to his credit, Mr. Radney avoided major criminal contacts for the next several years, committing only low level traffic and marijuana possession offenses. The intermission in felony conduct proved to be just that, however, when the inmate was arrested in 2012 for the commitment offense. The Sacramento Sheriff's Department found the defendant loitering in front of

a motel mid-day. As deputies approached, the inmate reached into his left pocket and scanned the area furtively. He was told, "Don't do it" and then quickly detained. Deputies found a loaded handgun in that same left pocket, as well as 14 individually packaged baggies of methamphetamine in his waistband. As this Board is well aware, the combination of firearms and narcotics sales is a recipe for disaster.

To review: Mr. Radney has gone [REDACTED] the unarmed half of an armed robbery, to a validated gang member, to personally beating his girlfriend, culminating in armed drug dealing. Having already experienced Mr. Radney building this resume, the citizens of California, especially in Sacramento County, are understandably not eager to experience him adding to it sooner than necessary. Accordingly, this Board should decline to grant the inmate early release.

Respectfully



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