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Non-Violent Parole Review Process
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RE: **Grayson, William** CDCR # **G54331**

Board of Parole Members,

Inmate Grayson is a menace to society and a career criminal with a blatant and dangerous disregard for public safety. The circumstances surrounding his current conviction and his prior criminal record show that he poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community. His criminal history spans THIRTY YEARS and includes a strike conviction for first degree burglary, being a felon in possession of a firearm, escape, resisting arrest, receiving known stolen property, evading peace officers, and violating parole TEN times. Despite being convicted in 1998 AND 2002 for violating California Vehicle Code section 2800.2, Inmate Grayson repeated this same reckless and dangerous behavior on the night of October 11, 2012 and was found guilty by a jury. When Inmate Grayson recklessly sped through the residential streets of North Sacramento, imperiling the public while barreling through neighborhoods at up to 85 mph on a stolen motorcycle, he was on active parole. As Inmate Grayson flew through residential streets he deliberately blew through a series of stop signs and controlled intersections against red lights. One thing becomes abundantly clear when reviewing Inmate Grayson's life--he refuses to abide by the law or reform his criminal ways and is willing to put the public at extreme risk in order to get away.

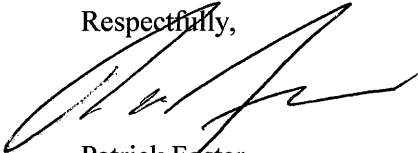
As Sacramento Police Department officers actively pursued Inmate Grayson in their marked patrol cars on October 11th he was determined to escape by any means necessary. He drove the motorcycle onto a dead end street and then accessed railroad tracks so marked units could not follow him, showing both sophistication and desperation. For officer safety the units had to end their pursuit. Luckily, a nearby police helicopter located Inmate Grayson as he continued down the tracks. Eventually, Inmate Grayson went onto bicycle trails on the north side of the American River Park, where he abandoned the motorcycle and fled on foot into a heavily wooded area. Inmate Grayson's concealment in the darkness and overgrowth posed a risk to the officers who were searching for him. For officer protection and to detect Inmate Grayson's whereabouts, officers were required to deploy a canine. At no time did Inmate Grayson come out from concealment and surrender. Rather, Inmate Grayson jumped into the American River and hid in an area mostly comprised of thick brush and dense foliage until the canine tracked him down and officers could detain him.

Inmate Grayson is a poor candidate for early parole and should serve his full prison term, as it is well deserved. Even Inmate Grayson acknowledged that he continues to violate the law, as he told officers on the night of October 11, 2012, *"I'm on parole, but I don't know why. This isn't my first time, I have a past..."* Inmate Grayson's lengthy criminal history of reckless evasion, absconding, and repeatedly violating parole shows that his early release would place the citizens of California in immediate danger and proves that he is not a good candidate for early release.

In the interests of justice and public safety, the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office strongly opposes Inmate Grayson's early release. Although inmate Grayson may hope to escape serving the entire sentence he earned, it would be both unwise and dangerous for the Board to release this man to continue his life of crime on the streets of Sacramento.

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 Grayson's prison conduct. However, from the record that is available it is clear that he 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 read 'Patrick Foster', written over the word 'Respectfully,'.

Patrick Foster
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Drafted by Legal Intern Amanda Neves