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Non Violent Parole Review Process  
Board of Parole Hearings  
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RE: **Casillas, Alfredo**

CDCR # **E50320**

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A murderer does not deserve early release from prison.

On December 21, 1988, Inmate Casillas was convicted of second degree murder with a firearm. Even with the firearm enhancement stayed, he was sentenced to 16 years to life in prison. But when he was remanded into the custody of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, he did not shape up and work toward earning that parole release. Instead, his violence continued.

On September 30, 1992, Inmate Casillas and another inmate attacked a third inmate in the yard at Folsom Prison. They used inmate-manufactured knives, razor blades with cloth handles, to slash their victim multiple times. The victim suffered four slash wounds, one to the back of the neck, one to the left shoulder, one to the nose, and a 9-inch cut to the stomach. This attack resulted in Inmate Casillas' conviction for violating Penal Code section 245(a)(1), assault with force likely to cause great bodily injury. He was sentenced to seven years consecutive to the 16 to life sentence he was already serving for murder. Flouting the rules and his penchant for violence still did not end for Inmate Casillas. He was further convicted in 1995 of being a prisoner in possession of a weapon. We have no reason to believe this violent streak will end if he is released early, and this Board should protect the public from that danger for as long as possible.

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 Casillas' prison conduct. However, from the record that is available it is clear that Inmate Casillas should not be released as he poses a significant, unreasonable risk of violence to the community. Parole should be denied.

At the end of the day, this Board should deny Inmate Casillas' request because there is no way that voters had convicted murderers in mind when they voted for legislation to grant early release

for *non-violent* inmates. Inmate Casillas has earned his prison time, so I urge this Board to deny his request and make him serve it.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Teal Ericson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Teal Ericson  
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