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Non Violent Parole Review Process
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Re: Cortes, Manuel Salvador CDCR #AT8796 Court Docket: 14F00199

Inmate Manuel Salvador Cortes is a violent and habitual offender. The circumstances surrounding his current conviction and his prior criminal record demonstrate that he poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Inmate Cortes was convicted of a violation of Penal Code Section 664/459, attempted first degree burglary, and a violation of Vehicle Code Section 10851, auto theft. In 1999, Inmate Cortes was convicted of his third and fourth felony. Once again, Inmate Cortes was convicted of two counts of violation of Penal Code Section 459, first degree burglary. For this offense, Inmate Cortes served the statutory maximum of 11 years and was paroled in 2012.

Inmate Cortes was only off parole for one year before being convicted of violation of Vehicle Code 10851(a) for which he is currently serving time. In 2013, Victim [REDACTED] M [REDACTED]'s vehicle ignition key malfunctioned. Unable to remove her keys from the ignition, she decided to cover the dash of her vehicle with a sheet in order to conceal the dash lights from view and locked her vehicle with a keyless remote. The following morning, M [REDACTED]'s vehicle was missing.

On December 24th, 2013, almost two months later, the vehicle was located in Sacramento County, in the possession of Inmate Cortes. That day, Inmate Cortes and a friend (later identified as [REDACTED] D [REDACTED]) entered Fry's Electronics. While Inmate Cortes' friend loaded a cart full of electronics, Inmate Cortes exited the store and positioned the vehicle near the fire exit. Loss Prevention immediately noticed the two men. D [REDACTED] dropped the cart and fled the scene. Upon arrival, officers contacted Inmate Cortes near the fire exit. Inmate Cortes admitted that he and D [REDACTED] were there to steal items. Upon a consented search of Inmate Cortes' person, the officer located a "clam shell" opener used to deactivate security tags and to open hard plastic security cases. As the officer attempted to handcuff him, Inmate Cortes pulled away and ran off. It was only moments later that with the help of other officers that Inmate Cortes was finally apprehended.

One thing is clear: Inmate Cortes will re-offend. Inmate Cortes has been convicted of repeated violations of Penal Code Section 459 and Vehicle Code Section 10851. It is evident that serving a previous full statutory maximum did not deter Inmate Cortes from committing further crimes once paroled. Granting him early release will make the community less safe.

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 Cortes's prison conduct. However, from the record that is available, it is clear that Inmate Cortes 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 cursive script that reads "Monica Robinson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

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