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Re: Ricardo Angelo Sanchez CDCR No. BP5392 Sacramento County Docket No. 20FE008324

Inmate Sanchez's history of non-compliance with the law acutely demonstrates that he poses a current and unreasonable risk of significant criminal activity if released from prison. If past performance is any indication of future actions, it is abundantly clear that Inmate Sanchez will continue to engage in significant criminal activity, because that is what he has always voluntarily chosen to do. A brief look into his past criminal convictions is illuminating.

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- Nov. 2010 Felony assault
- May 2012 Felony possession of stolen property
- Aug. 2016 Misdemeanor domestic violence and resisting arrest
- March 2018 Misdemeanor DUI
- June 2019 Felony possession of narcotics now a misdemeanor
- May 2019 Felony narcotics trafficking
- May 2021 Felony narcotics trafficking and illegal firearm possession (current commitment offense)

A closer look at Inmate Sanchez's narcotics trafficking offenses makes the point obvious. In May of 2019, Inmate Sanchez was stopped in a car with cocaine for sale, pills and a low amount of cash (proceeds from the narcotics trade). In 2021, Inmate Sanchez had "graduated" to over a kilogram of methamphetamine, pills containing fentanyl (a narcotic responsible for countless overdose deaths), was now was armed with a firearm and had almost \$4,000.00 in cash. He has clearly "stepped up his game" in the narcotics world. For his current offense, he voluntarily accepted a 5-year state prison commitment.

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Any early release will only serve to further incentivize Inmate Sanchez's future criminal conduct because the consequence is obviated.

I am unable to comment on Inmate Sanchez's disciplinary history while incarcerated as I only have 30 days in which to respond. However, Inmate Sanchez has demonstrated by a lifetime of his own choices that he will continue to engage in criminal behavior and will do so in a more sophisticated manner. Any reduction in Inmate Sanchez's sentence will ensure that he engages in an unreasonable risk of future significant criminal behavior. As such parole should be denied.

Very truly yours

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