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Non Violent Parole Review Process Board of Parole Hearings Correspondence – NV P.O. Box 4036 Sacramento, California 95812-4036

Re: Roberson, George

CDCR No. T68240

Court Docket No. 08F09409

Inmate Roberson is a well established violent felon and should not be paroled. The circumstances surrounding his current conviction and his prior criminal record shows that he poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community.

As to his most recent conviction, on September 8, 2008, while incarcerated at Folsom State Prison, Inmate Roberson was subjected to a search of his person. As Inmate Roberson was undressing as ordered, correctional officers observed him reach back to his buttocks area and remove an object. Inmate Roberson then ran to a nearby toilet and attempted to dispose of the item but was unable to flush it down the toilet. The item was retrieved and was determined to be eight (8) individual bags of marijuana wrapped in cellophane. The total weight of the marijuana was 1.5 grams. At the time of his plea to this incident, another separate incident was dismissed with a *Harvey* waiver (meaning it could be considered at the time of sentencing), in which Inmate Roberson was found in possession of an ecstasy tablet while an inmate at Folsom State Prison.

On March 4, 2010, he admitted a violation of Penal Code Section 4573.6 and a prior strike conviction for a six (6) year prison sentence.

With regard to Inmate Roberson's prior criminal history, his original state prison commitment resulted from a plea on August 20, 2002, when Inmate Roberson plead to two counts of first degree robbery, in violation of Penal Code Section 211, the personal use of a firearm under Penal Code 12022.53(b), a residential burglary, in violation of Penal Code Section 459, and a violation of Health and Safety Code Section 11360. His aggregate sentence was sixteen (16) years in prison (San Diego County Docket No. SCD163236).

In October 2001, Inmate Roberson and two codefendants entered the victim's home and confronted the first victim. Inmate Roberson was armed with a handgun, which he pointed at the victim, while demanding money from the victim. Inmate Roberson then followed the victim to his bedroom where the victim was forced to lie on his bed while Inmate Roberson went through the victim's personal belongings and stole cash from the victim's wallet. Meanwhile, a second victim was hiding upstairs in a bedroom closet. Inmate Roberson found him and forced him to lie on the floor with his head covered. One of the defendants placed an unknown object at the back of this victim's head and said, "You call the police and I'm going to kill you." The suspects then fled with property they stole from the victims, including, cash, a laptop, cell phone, several watches, a checkbook and over 250 grams of marijuana. An hour later, Inmate

Roberson's car was stopped by Border Patrol at a checkpoint and a subsequent search of the car revealed the stolen property, however, the gun was not recovered.

Prior to that offense, Inmate Roberson had other criminal convictions as well. In November 1993, he admitted a misdemeanor violation of Penal Code Section 499(b). In October 1995, he admitted a violation of Penal Code Section 12025 as a misdemeanor.

Inmate Roberson's prior home invasion robbery conviction stems from a violent incident in which he invaded an occupied home, terrorized two victims at gun-point and stole their property. His sixteen year prison sentence reflects the seriousness of the conduct in that case. Of note, he also had the prior gun possession conviction from 1995.

Since being incarcerated in state prison, he has continued to violate the law and has been charged with drug possession twice and been sentenced to an additional six years in state prison, to run consecutive to his prior sentence after admitting to one of the drug possession charges. Inmate Roberson has made it clear that he will continue to break the law and endanger other people, whether he is in custody or out of custody.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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