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Board of Parole Hearings  
Attn: Nonviolent Parole Review Process  
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Re: **Inmate Jesus Armando Navarro; CDCR BC3780**  
**Ventura County Superior Court Cases; 2015037368, 2015037406**  
**Los Angeles Superior Court Case; LA084727**  
**Opposition Letter Due to Board of Parole Hearings November 7, 2018**

Dear Board Members:

This letter is written to recommend denial of early parole for inmate Jesus Navarro. In July 2018, the inmate was sentenced to prison for nine years. Releasing the inmate now means he would serve approximately 20 percent of the actual sentenced imposed. This recommendation is based upon:

- 1) The inmate's commitment offense.
- 2) The inmate's criminal history and failure to be crime free.
- 3) The unreasonable risk of violence to the community if released early.

## **CIRCUMSTANCES OF COMMITMENT OFFENSES**

2015037368

On November 24, 2015, at approximately 10:00 a.m., a witness was working as a contractor at a home in Simi Valley. He noticed the inmate and two others drive their vehicle and stop behind his work trailer. The witness asked them to move so he could access his trailer. Eventually, the driver, co-defendant Valdez, moved the vehicle around the corner and the inmate and co-defendant Carballo walked away.

After several minutes, the witness walked to the rear of the house where he was working. He looked over the fence to the victims' home next door. He saw the

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inmate and Carballo exiting through the rear door with various items in their hands. The witness ran to the front of the residence and followed them as they fled in their vehicle. He was able to supply the license plate number to the 911 operator. The witness continued the pursuit until they ran a red light.

Detectives Lorenz and Federico located the inmate's vehicle and followed in their unmarked cars. The vehicle stopped at a red light, and Carballo exited and switched places with the driver, co-defendant Valdez.

As Carballo drove exceeding 120 miles per hour, marked police vehicles joined the pursuit. Carballo finally exited the freeway. After running several red lights near a school area, law enforcement stopped its pursuit.

Eventually, police found the abandoned vehicle in a residential neighborhood. It contained stolen property belonging to the victims, including electronics and jewelry. Carballo was located one street away. The inmate was found in a shed on the same street. He was hiding under a workbench and had to be pulled out. He had burglary tools on his person and had discarded clothing outside of the shed. Officers later discovered the inmate was wearing a stolen watch belonging to a victim.

Valdez was located one mile away in a shopping center. She provided a false name. When asked what she was doing in the area, she replied she was jogging, although she was wearing basketball shoes with untied laces.

The victims responded to the scene and identified the stolen property found in the vehicle, several pieces of jewelry discarded on the street near the vehicle, and a watch in the inmate's property. Officers responded to the home and noticed the front door glass had been smashed, and the door was kicked in.

The inmate was convicted of a first-degree residential burglary. The inmate was also charged with a "strike" prior, a serious felony prior and a prison prior. The court struck the "strike" and prison priors and sentenced him to the minimum term of seven years.

2015037406

After the inmate was booked into jail on the above offense, he was caught with .1 gram of heroin. He was convicted of a bringing drugs into jail and sentenced to an additional year in prison.

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## **CRIMINAL HISTORY**

The inmate has a long criminal history. Below is a list of crimes the inmate has been convicted, by date of conviction:

November 2009 - Felony possession of a deadly weapon  
December 2010 - Felony grand theft firearm  
March 2011 - Felony residential burglary - strike  
February 2013 - Misdemeanor possession of a controlled substance  
August 2015 - Misdemeanor domestic battery  
November 2015 - Felony residential burglary (present case)  
November 2015 – Felony bringing drugs into jail (present case)  
September 2016 – Misdemeanor petty theft  
November 2016 – Felony vehicle theft (Los Angeles County case wherein he received one additional year in this prison commitment)

## **DISCUSSION**

The inmate clearly presents a danger to the public. Not only does the inmate have a documented history of violence and weapons, he has a prior strike offense for a residential burglary. He did not change his ways after multiple grants of probation and a prior term on parole. Residential burglaries are inherently violent crimes as the risk of harm to an occupant is substantial. Moreover, when caught in the act, perpetrators like the inmate and his co-defendants will go to dangerous extremes not to be apprehended by law enforcement. The inmate and his co-defendants flight from the residential burglary in this case was so dangerous, law enforcement had to terminate its pursuit since lives were in jeopardy. The inmate and his crime partners selfishly risked the lives of innocent citizens, so they could hopefully avoid capture.

During the pendency of the current case, the inmate failed to appear in court on November 8, 2016. Later that same day that he was arrested for driving a stolen vehicle in Los Angeles County. He was also using a stolen vehicle on the day he committed the offenses in the current case. This strongly suggests the inmate will continue to victimize others when he is released from custody.

## **CONCLUSION**

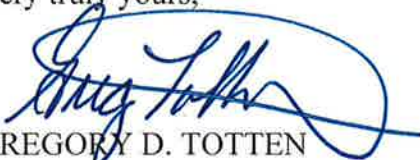
The inmate poses an unreasonable risk of violence and danger to the community if granted early parole. Moreover, a grant of early parole does not sufficiently punish the

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inmate for his commitment offense since he has not served the full sentence imposed by the court. I respectfully request the Board deny early parole for the inmate.

Very truly yours,



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