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Claudette Peters
Director Oregon Department of Corrections
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Re: David Joseph Keever (SID #13961165)

Dear Director Peters:

I was requested to provide documents and a position to you for consideration by the Parole Board regarding Mr. David Keever. This request was made by letter citing ORS 144.185(2), and OAR 291-038-0040. ORS 144.185(2) applies only to crimes sentenced after January 1, 2020. Mr. Keever was sentenced for his crimes on December 15, 2000 pursuant to a plea. This statute does not apply to Mr. Keever. The Department of Corrections and the Parole Board have no authority for release in this case.

On October 10, 2000, Mr. Keever and three other people plotted to rob someone at an ATM. When they could not find a victim, the plotted to rob a taxi driver and steal his taxi. The victim, Ray Strong, went to work that night as a taxi driver, expecting to go home at the end of his shift. Instead, he picked up the defendant and his friends and had his throat slashed and was left for dead. Because Mr. Strong was making noise, they punched him before leaving him. He suffered a broken nose, swelling to his eye and a cut to his throat. Mr. Keever admitted being the one to cut Mr. Strong's throat to keep him quiet. Mr. Keever did ask at the time of his arrest if Mr. Strong had lived.

Mr. Strong has died since the time of this crime and is unavailable for a statement. He was 69 years old, and still working to make a living, at the time of this crime.

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Mr. Keever has filed for clemency through Governor Brown's office. That is the only lawful means for which Mr. Keever can obtain a reduction in his sentence. All records related to this matter have been sent to Governor Brown's office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Patricia W. Perlow', written in a cursive style.

Patricia W. Perlow, District Attorney



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URGENT!



The Honorable Patricia W. Perlow
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RE: Post-Sentence Report Request – Governor’s Juvenile Commutation

KEEVER, David Joseph (SID #13961165); Lane County Case #200020673

Dear Ms. Perlow:

The Department of Corrections is preparing a Post-Sentence Report (PSR) for the Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision (Board) regarding this case. A PSR is similar to a presentence investigation report. (*See* ORS 144.185(2), OAR 291-038-0040.) The adult in custody (AIC) listed above has the opportunity to petition, or has already petitioned, the Board for a juvenile commutation hearing pursuant to ORS 144.397, which provides, in part:

“(1)(a) A person convicted of an offense or offenses committed when the person was under 18 years of age, who is serving a sentence of imprisonment for the offense or offenses, is eligible for release on parole or post-prison supervision as provided in this section *after the person has served 15 years of imprisonment.*” (Emphasis added.)

We are currently in the process of writing the PSR and are requesting documents/information to include in the PSR that will be important for the Board to know. Our goal is to provide the Board with a comprehensive picture of the crime, background information about the offender, and the impact on the victim’s family/friends. Without this report, the Board may have little information about the circumstances of the crime, this AIC’s profile at the time of the crime, and the feelings of the victims. Below are suggestions information/documents which would be helpful:

- Statement from district attorney’s office
- Pre-Sentence Investigation Report (PSI)
- Sentencing memorandum
- Summary document
- Police reports
- Psychological or psychiatric evaluations
- Prior criminal history and/or background information
- Statements from the victim’s family members

At your earliest opportunity, please e-mail documents to: jean.m.bergen@doc.Oregon.gov. Alternatively, documents saved to a thumb drive or CD can be mailed to my attention at the address listed above. Please contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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