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RE: Grant Parole To PF Lazor, C-73842

At this time I would like to address my support for the granting of parole to Mr. PF Lazor.

I've known PF almost my entire life. We went to school together throughout our youth. We were friends. I've spent time with him in numerous environments. PF (I still call him George) never in any circumstance displayed a mean or violent disposition. He often withstood abuse that many of us would have railed against. He was quick to defend someone that needed help and always tried to use a peaceful resolution to a problem. I trusted him then and I believe I would trust him now. That type of personality trait doesn't disappear or reappear because of time or circumstances.

There are several issues with Mr. Lazor's previous parole hearings that I feel should be addressed. Most importantly, the issue of self defense. I'm still convinced that had any of us been faced with similar circumstances we would have acted similarly. He has been imprisoned for over 20 years now and regardless of how you feel about "self defense" issues, he has paid his debt to "society". He has worked continuously to secure his release/parole during that time. Yet, here we are again. I will honestly admit that I know little of his life in prison and the things that have occurred in his life since his imprisonment. As his friend and someone who deals with people in many different aspects, I would like to express my vote to grant him parole.

The following are some key points to consider:

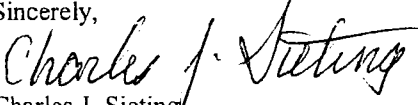
1. Mr. Lazor had a clean record prior to his conviction.
2. He has been a model citizen in and out of prison: this one issue notwithstanding.
3. Society in general could be far better served by this man's release. Imagine the work he could do with youth and ministry.
4. As I have stated previously, he has always been an advocate for the little guy and a peaceful resolution to problems.
5. The law governing parole release mandated his release in 1992 unless he was deemed a danger to society. PF was never a danger to anyone in my opinion.
6. There are reports of bad conduct while in prison, but while vague and could apply to anyone in prison as a matter of day to day discourse, none of them indicate that PF is a danger to society.
7. While awaiting trial, Mr. Lazor was free on bail and acted responsibly and reported to every mandated hearing. I don't think this is the behavior of someone who would be a recidivist.

I would like to take a moment to thank you folks on the parole board for taking the time to peruse my letter. I know your job is not an easy one. Having sat on boards dealing with weighty matters, I can empathize. I would want to be as cautious as I could be before releasing an individual into the public. Considering the length of time Mr. Lazor has spent behind bars already, I would be inclined to grant parole. I believe Mr. Lazor still has a long life to contribute to society, and regardless of whether his conviction was fair and just, he has spent the time behind bars. 22 years. It seems more than adequate considering what he was convicted of.

I still look forward to the day that I can talk with and enjoy my old friend. I live in Michigan and for me to try to visit him in California would be impossible.

Everything I have said here is, to the best of my knowledge, true and factual. I couldn't nor wouldn't lie or mislead this board on any ones behalf. Please, consider granting parole to Mr. Lazor.

Sincerely,


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