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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Dennison Parol Denial

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MODESTO, CALIFORNIA – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Glenn Dennison, age 60, formerly of Modesto was found unsuitable for parole at a hearing of the State Board of Prison Hearings at the California State Prison, Solano in Vacaville on August 21. Deputy District Attorney Doug Maner appeared at the hearing and argued for continued confinement based on the brutal and violent nature of the crime, lengthy previous criminal record, unstable social history, and inadequate parole plans. Dennison refused to attend the hearing, as he correctly believed that his parole chances were minimal.

On October 13, 1997, Dennison beat and then strangled his girlfriend Martha Sory after threatening to kill her for spending time with other men. Dennison has committed many crimes while incarcerated including conspiracy to commit homicide, assault with a deadly weapon, fighting, and intoxication. By his own admission, he is a lifelong alcoholic and has continued to abuse alcohol, even while in prison. The Board of Prison Hearings found no evidence that Dennison would be able to avoid drinking or committing violent crimes if released.

Dennison was convicted of murder in 1980 and is serving a fifteen year to life term. He was first eligible for parole in 1991, and has been denied parole eight previous times. He will next be considered for parole in five years, the maximum time permitted for murder.

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