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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: GLEN GARY PAROLE DENIAL

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MODESTO, CALIFORNIA — Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Glenn Gary, age 61, formerly of Modesto, was found unsuitable for parole at a May 27 hearing of the State Board of Prison Terms conducted at Old Folsom State Prison. Deputy District Attorney Doug Maner appeared at the hearing and argued for continued confinement based upon the cruel and vicious nature of the crime, lack of remorse, and inadequate parole plans.

Gary was a two-term president and member of an outlaw biker gang known as the Barhoppers from 1971 to 1981. On March 11, 1981, he lured a rival from another gang (the Hangmen) to his home with the promise of drugs, then kidnaped him, took him to an orchard, and severely beat him in an attempt to gain information about the rival gang's attempts to kill Gary. Gary then shot his victim three times in the head. He later bragged about the killing to fellow gang members and was proud of the fact that he killed the victim with the victim's own gun.

While Gary was president of this "motorcycle club," its emphasis changed from a social group to a street gang that sold large quantities of methamphetamine and committed violent crimes. Gary admitted possessing over eight pounds of methamphetamine at the time of the offense, with a street value in 1980 dollars of over \$ 300,000. Even though he was in charge at the time, he blamed a "criminal element" for the "motorcycle club's" evolution into an outlaw motorcycle gang. The parole board found that Gary minimized his role in the gang and that his version of the murder lacked credibility.

Gary was convicted of murder in the first degree with a gun enhancement in 1982. Gary is serving a twenty-seven year-to-life sentence and has previously been denied parole 6 times. He has been in prison for 26 years. He will be scheduled for another hearing in three years.

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