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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Aelam Khensanphanh of Modesto was found unsuitable for parole at a January 30, 2014 hearing of the State Board of Parole Hearings in Vacaville, California. Deputy District Attorney Randy Fischer appeared at the hearing and argued for continued confinement based on the convict's continued danger to the community and lack of rehabilitation. The victim's mother, Christine Warren, was at the hearing and gave an impassioned plea to the Board to deny Mr. Khensanphanh's parole. The Board of Parole Hearings agreed and denied parole for five years.

Aelam Khensanphanh was convicted of first degree murder with use of a firearm and conspiracy to commit murder for the killing of 17-year-old Terry Beech on March 12, 1993. Mr. Khensanphanh fired into a crowd six times with a small caliber handgun striking Mr. Beech fatally in the back of the head as he attempted to flee from the gun wielding Mr. Khensanphanh. Khensanphanh was sentenced to 29 years-to-life in state prison on February 8, 1994.

Mr. Khensanphanh had previously been denied parole in February of 2011.

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