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## PRESS RELEASE

### For Immediate Release

Date: August 10, 2022  
Re: Ronald Jerrell Inman  
Sexual Predator Denied Parole

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Ronald Jerrell Inman, age 63, of Ceres was found unsuitable for parole during an August 2, 2022 hearing of the State Board of Parole Hearings held at the Correctional Training Facility in Soledad. Deputy District Attorney Margot Roen appeared at the hearing on behalf of the People.

Between 1994 and 2001, Inman used his position as a school soccer coach in Ceres to gain the trust of several boys' families to the point where their parents allowed him, alone, to take the minors to Raiders football games, ski trips and have them stay overnight at his home where he had the boys use his hot tub. Inman sexually molested several of those minor children over the course of several years. One of the boys reported to police that his soccer coach had molested him starting at age 11. Police searched Inman's home and found over 100 images of child pornography on his computer. When interviewed, Inman initially denied all of the allegations.

On August 7, 2002, Inman was convicted by a Stanislaus County Superior Court jury of 14 counts of committing lewd and lascivious acts with four different children under the age of 14, two counts of simple assault involving another young boy, one count of exhibiting harmful matter to a child and one count of attempting to exhibit harmful matter to a child. On September 12, 2002, Judge Terry Cole sentenced Inman to serve four consecutive life terms in state prison plus one year for the exhibiting harmful matter count. An appellate court upheld his conviction and sentence in 2004.

Prosecutor Roen appeared at the parole hearing and asked the Board to deny parole. Roen also read a statement from one of the victims who is now an adult. The victim recounted how Inman had stolen his youth from him and that he would never get back those formative years.

Inman testified at the hearing and continued to deny that he had sexually molested one of the victims, a young boy he had fostered. At the conclusion of the hearing, Commissioner Schneider found much of Inman's testimony to be implausible and called him a "predator" who showed "callousness like no other." Schneider found that Inman lacked awareness and insight into his crimes, especially due to the fact that he refused to acknowledge that he "groomed" his victims prior to molesting them, and admonished Inman to stop acting like the victim because the boys were the true victims. Deputy

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Commissioner Newman told Inman that he lacked any sort of remorse for his crimes and toward his victims. Both Commissioners felt strongly that Inman had not made any significant changes since entering prison and had not even begun any attempts at rehabilitation. The Board concluded by denying release on parole for a period of five years.

This was Inman's first parole hearing. Due to his age, he is eligible for elder parole consideration and may petition the Board for another hearing earlier than in five years should his circumstances support it.

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