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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **For Immediate Release**

Date: October 2, 2024  
Re: Kyle Andrew Williams  
Convicted Attempted Killer Denied Parole

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Jeff Laugero announced today that Kyle Andrew Williams, age 33, of Modesto was found unsuitable for parole during an October 1, 2024, hearing of the State Board of Parole Hearings held at the Kern Valley State Prison. Deputy District Attorney Amy Elliott Neumann appeared at the hearing on behalf of the People.

On May 19, 2010, Williams shot Michael Rogers in the face during a drug robbery. Williams got into a van with four people under a ruse that he was going to purchase drugs from the victims. Instead, Williams pulled a gun, cocked the hammer, and pointed it at the victims. Williams told the victims to hand over the drugs and warned them before firing his weapon, "You're dead. I've got nothing to live for. Times are tough. I'm robbing everybody for everything." Williams shot Rogers in the face, took the drugs, and fled the crime scene. The gunshot wound caused severe injuries to Rogers and resulted in a lifetime of debilitating seizures.

Prior to trial, Williams pled guilty to attempted murder, and admitted the personal use of a firearm, and that he personally inflicted great bodily injury upon Rogers. Williams was sentenced to a determinate term of 22 years in prison.

Williams was 18 years of age at the time of his crime, he was eligible for a parole hearing after serving 15 years in prison pursuant to Penal Code section 3051. In the last five years of his incarceration, Williams incurred five serious rule violations, adding to a series of rule violations since his arrival in prison. The Board noted that Williams had an escalating problem with substance abuse addiction since beginning his incarceration.

After deliberations, the Board denied parole for a period of three years. The Board was required to give considerable weight to Williams' Youth Offender status, but found those factors were outweighed by the fact that Williams had failed to participate in effective and consistent self-help rehabilitative programming, refused resources, and continued to violate prison rules. The Board found that Williams' conduct in prison showed a continued disregard for the rules and the rights of others.

This was Williams' first parole hearing. He will be eligible for another parole hearing in 2027, although that date may be advanced if he can demonstrate to the Board a change in circumstances.

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