PARDON

Ray Aranjo

Ray Aranjo, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On March 15, 2005, Mr. Aranjo was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Fresno, of possession of marijuana for sale. He was sentenced to 3 years of probation and 90 days in jail.

Mr. Aranjo has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On February 1, 2019, the Superior Court of California, County of Fresno, granted Mr. Aranjo a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Aranjo's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Aranjo be granted a full pardon.

Mr. Aranjo has presented evidence that a collateral consequence of his conviction, namely, his impending deportation and permanent separation from his family and removal from his community, further justifies this exercise of executive clemency.

This act of clemency for Mr. Aranjo does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Aranjo merits this pardon.

THEFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Aranjo a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 30th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
PARDON

Efrain Barajas Meraz

Efrain Barajas Meraz, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On October 9, 2013, Mr. Barajas Meraz was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Tulare, of possession of marijuana for sale, planting or cultivating marijuana, and transportation or sale of marijuana. He was sentenced to 3 years of probation and 270 days in jail.

Mr. Barajas Meraz has submitted to this office a formal application for executive clemency in the form of a gubernatorial pardon. He has demonstrated that he is living an upright life and has demonstrated his fitness for restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. Mr. Barajas Meraz has also presented evidence that a collateral consequence of his conviction, namely, his impending deportation and permanent separation from his family and removal from his community, further justifies this exercise of executive clemency.

This act of clemency for Mr. Barajas Meraz does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Barajas Meraz merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Barajas Meraz a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PARDON

John Chevis

John Chevis, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On March 28, 1990, 23-year-old Mr. Chevis was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, of burglary. He was sentenced to 3 years of probation and 365 days in jail.

Mr. Chevis has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On March 1, 2019, the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, granted Mr. Chevis a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Chevis’s petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Chevis be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Mr. Chevis does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Chevis merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Chevis a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PARDON

Saengsavan Choum

Saengsavan Choum, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On June 28, 1999, Mr. Choum was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Contra Costa, of voluntary manslaughter. 21-year-old Mr. Choum drove the car from which his crime partner fatally shot a rival gang member. Mr. Choum was sentenced to four years in prison.

Mr. Choum has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On October 12, 2018, the Superior Court of California, County of Orange, granted Mr. Choum a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Choum’s petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Choum be granted a full pardon.

Mr. Choum has presented evidence that a collateral consequence of his conviction, namely, his impending deportation and permanent separation from his family and removal from his community, further justifies this exercise of executive clemency.

This act of clemency for Mr. Choum does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Choum merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Choum a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PARDON

Scott Clarke

Scott Clarke, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On August 7, 2007, Mr. Clarke was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, of possession of a controlled substance for personal use. He was sentenced to 3 years of probation and 45 days in jail.

Mr. Clarke has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On February 22, 2018, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, granted Mr. Clarke a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Clarke’s petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Clarke be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Mr. Clarke does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Clarke merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Clarke a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
PARDON

Jason Crosson

Jason Crosson, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On December 1, 1987, 19-year-old Mr. Crosson was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Orange, of possession of a controlled substance. He was sentenced to three years of probation and six days in jail.

Mr. Crosson has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On June 14, 2019, the Superior Court of California, County of Orange, granted Mr. Crosson a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Crosson's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Crosson be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Mr. Crosson does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Crosson merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Crosson a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PARDON

Tung Do

Tung Do, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On April 21, 2000, Mr. Do was convicted of possession or purchase of cocaine base for sale. He was sentenced to three years of probation and four months in jail. On September 16, 2003, Mr. Do was convicted of attempting to receive stolen property. He was sentenced to 2 years of probation and 90 days in jail. On March 17, 2006, Mr. Do was convicted of conspiracy to commit a crime. He was sentenced to 3 years of probation and 365 days in jail. In 2019, his convictions for attempting to receive stolen property and conspiracy to commit a crime were reduced to misdemeanors pursuant to Penal Code section 17, subdivision (b)(3).

Mr. Do has submitted to this office a formal application for executive clemency in the form of a gubernatorial pardon. He has demonstrated that he is living an upright life and has demonstrated his fitness for restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. Mr. Do has also presented evidence that a collateral consequence of his conviction, namely, his impending deportation and permanent separation from his family and removal from his community, further justifies this exercise of executive clemency.

This act of clemency for Mr. Do does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Do merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Do a full and unconditional pardon for the above cases.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADilla
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PARDON

Laura Flores

Laura Flores, a resident of the State of Washington and former resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On August 4, 2003, Ms. Flores was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, of possession or purchase for sale of a controlled substance. She was sentenced to 3 years of probation and 180 days in jail. She committed this crime when she was 23 years old.

Ms. Flores has submitted to this office a formal application for executive clemency in the form of a gubernatorial pardon. She has demonstrated that she is living an upright life and has demonstrated her fitness for restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. Ms. Flores has also presented evidence that a collateral consequence of her conviction, namely, possible deportation and permanent separation from her family and removal from her community, further justifies this exercise of executive clemency.

This act of clemency for Ms. Flores does not minimize or forgive her conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work she has done since to transform herself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of her sentence and good conduct in the community, Ms. Flores merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Ms. Flores a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

AIX PANO LA
Secretary of State
PARDON

Violet Henderson

Violet Henderson, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On November 14, 1974, Ms. Henderson was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Contra Costa, of conspiracy to commit a crime. She was sentenced to state prison. Ms. Henderson was 18 years old at the time of the crime.

Ms. Henderson has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On October 13, 2009, the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda, granted Ms. Henderson a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that she has been living an upright life. By granting Ms. Henderson’s petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Ms. Henderson be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Ms. Henderson does not minimize or forgive her conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work she has done since to transform herself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of her sentence and good conduct in the community, Ms. Henderson merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Ms. Henderson a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
PARDON

Timothy Jordan

Timothy Jordan, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On June 6, 2005, 25-year-old Mr. Jordan was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, of burglary. He was sentenced to two years in prison.

Mr. Jordan has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On November 28, 2018, the Superior Court of California, County of Kern, granted Mr. Jordan a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Jordan’s petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Jordan be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Mr. Jordan does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Jordan merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Jordan a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PARDON

John Martinez

John Martinez, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On March 11, 2004, Mr. Martinez was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Contra Costa, of robbery. He was sentenced to two years in prison.

Mr. Martinez has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On May 3, 2019, the Superior Court of California, County of Contra Costa, granted Mr. Martinez a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Martinez’s petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Martinez be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Mr. Martinez does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Martinez merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Martinez a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PARDON

Duc Nguyen

Duc Nguyen, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On May 5, 2003, Mr. Nguyen was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, of voluntary manslaughter. Mr. Nguyen and his crime partners got into a fight and his crime partner fatally stabbed the victim. He was sentenced to 14 years in prison. He committed this crime when he was 16 years old.

Mr. Nguyen has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On November 27, 2019, the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, granted Mr. Nguyen a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Nguyen’s petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Nguyen be granted a full pardon.

Mr. Nguyen has presented evidence that a collateral consequence of his conviction, namely, his impending deportation and permanent separation from his family and removal from his community, further justifies this exercise of executive clemency.

This act of clemency for Mr. Nguyen does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Nguyen merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Nguyen a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA  

PARDON  

Nhan Xuan Nguyen  

Nhan Xuan Nguyen, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.  

On July 21, 1997, 18-year-old Mr. Nguyen was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, of burglary, and buying, receiving, concealing, or withholding stolen property. He was sentenced to two years in prison.  

Mr. Nguyen has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On July 24, 2019, the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda, granted Mr. Nguyen a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Nguyen’s petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Nguyen be granted a full pardon.  

Mr. Nguyen has presented evidence that a collateral consequence of his conviction, namely, his impending deportation and permanent separation from his family and removal from his community, further justifies this exercise of executive clemency.  

This act of clemency for Mr. Nguyen does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.  

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Nguyen merits this pardon.  

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Nguyen a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.  

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 16th day of November 2020.  

GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California  

ATTEST:  

ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State
PARDON

Michael Nixon

Michael Nixon, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On May 15, 1975, 23-year-old Mr. Nixon was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Cruz, of transporting or selling a controlled substance. He was sentenced to 3 years of probation and 120 days in jail.

Mr. Nixon has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.77, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On January 4, 2019, the Superior Court of California, County of Tulare, granted Mr. Nixon a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Nixon's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Nixon be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Mr. Nixon does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Nixon merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Nixon a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PARDON

Oscar Ramos-Reyes

Oscar Ramos-Reyes, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On February 14, 1994, Mr. Ramos-Reyes was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, of shooting at an inhabited dwelling. He and fellow gang members fired shots into a house. No one was injured. He was sentenced to five years in prison. Mr. Ramos-Reyes was 18 years old at the time of the crime.

Mr. Ramos-Reyes has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On July 10, 2018, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, granted Mr. Ramos-Reyes a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Ramos-Reyes’s petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Ramos-Reyes be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Mr. Ramos-Reyes does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Ramos-Reyes merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Ramos-Reyes a full and unconditional pardon for the above case,

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
PARDON

Sarah Rodriguez

Sarah Rodriguez, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On October 21, 2002, 18-year-old Ms. Rodriguez was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Madera, of first degree robbery. She was sentenced to four years in prison. Ms. Rodriguez drove her crime partners to a location and waited in the car while the crime partners committed a robbery.

Ms. Rodriguez has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On January 21, 2014, the Superior Court of California, County of Madera, granted Ms. Rodriguez a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that she has been living an upright life. By granting Ms. Rodriguez’s petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Ms. Rodriguez be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Ms. Rodriguez does not minimize or forgive her conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work she has done since to transform herself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of her sentence and good conduct in the community, Ms. Rodriguez merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Ms. Rodriguez a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PARDON

Nicolas Salgado Espinal

Nicolas Salgado Espinal, a resident of Wisconsin and former resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On June 23, 2003, Mr. Salgado Espinal was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Fresno, of possession of a controlled substance for sale. He was sentenced to 3 years of probation and 39 days in jail.

Mr. Salgado Espinal has submitted to this office a formal application for executive clemency in the form of a gubernatorial pardon. He has demonstrated that he is living an upright life and has demonstrated his fitness for restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. Mr. Salgado Espinal has also presented evidence that a collateral consequence of his conviction, namely, his impending deportation and permanent separation from his family and removal from his community, further justifies this exercise of executive clemency.

This act of clemency for Mr. Salgado Espinal does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Salgado Espinal merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Salgado Espinal a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 18th day of November 2020.

[Signature]

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
PARDON

Nicole Sands

Nicole Sands, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On February 2, 2003, 19-year-old Ms. Sands was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, of possession of a controlled substance for sale. She was sentenced to three years of probation.

Ms. Sands has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On May 15, 2019, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, granted Ms. Sands a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that she has been living an upright life. By granting Ms. Sands a petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Ms. Sands be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Ms. Sands does not minimize or forgive her conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work she has done since to transform herself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of her sentence and good conduct in the community, Ms. Sands merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Ms. Sands a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
PARDON

Somdeng Thongsy

Somdeng Thongsy, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On August 6, 1997, Mr. Thongsy was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of San Joaquin, of second degree murder and attempted second degree murder. Mr. Thongsy and his crime partners fought with rival gang members, and Mr. Thongsy shot at them, killing one victim and injuring two others. He was sentenced to 27 years and 4 months to life in prison, including 15 years to life for second degree murder, 7 years for attempted murder, and a sentence enhancement. Mr. Thongsy was 17 years old at the time of the crime.

Mr. Thongsy has submitted to this office a formal application for executive clemency in the form of a gubernatorial pardon. He has demonstrated that he is living an upright life and has demonstrated his fitness for restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. Mr. Thongsy has also presented evidence that a collateral consequence of his conviction, namely, his impending deportation and permanent separation from his family and removal from his community, further justifies this exercise of executive clemency.

This act of clemency for Mr. Thongsy does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by his good conduct in the community, Mr. Thongsy merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Thongsy a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 17th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PARDON

Carlos Vasquez Salazar

Carlos Vasquez Salazar, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On December 11, 1990, Mr. Vasquez Salazar was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Sonoma, for the crime of possession of transporting or selling a controlled substance. He was sentenced to 3 years of probation and 365 days in jail. He was 21 years old at the time of the crime.

Mr. Vasquez Salazar has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On December 20, 2018, the Superior Court of California, County of Sonoma, granted Mr. Vasquez Salazar a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Vasquez Salazar’s petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Vasquez Salazar be granted a full pardon.

Mr. Vasquez Salazar has presented evidence that a collateral consequence of his conviction, namely, his impending deportation and permanent separation from his family and removal from his community, further justifies this exercise of executive clemency.

This act of clemency for Mr. Vasquez Salazar does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Vasquez Salazar merits this pardon.

THerefore, I, Gavin Newsom, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Vasquez Salazar a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

Gavin Newsom
Governor of California

ATTEST:

Alex Padilla
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PARDON

Martin Vasquez

Martin Vasquez, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On February 11, 2004, Mr. Vasquez was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, of possession for sale of a narcotic or controlled substance. He was sentenced to 3 years of probation and 180 days in jail.

Mr. Vasquez has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On December 20, 2018, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, granted Mr. Vasquez a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Vasquez’s petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Vasquez be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Mr. Vasquez does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Vasquez merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Vasquez a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PARDON

Daniel Villotti

Daniel Villotti, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On July 26, 1993, Mr. Villotti was convicted in the Superior Court of California, County of Orange, of possession of a controlled substance. He was sentenced to 3 years of probation and 180 days in jail.

Mr. Villotti has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On May 31, 2019, the Superior Court of California, County of Orange, granted Mr. Villotti a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Villotti’s petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Villotti be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Mr. Villotti does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Villotti merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Mr. Villotti a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Sandra Castaneda

In 2002, Sandra Castaneda acted as the driver in a gang-related drive-by shooting. Ms. Castaneda drove her crime partners by a group of rival gang members. Ms. Castaneda’s crime partners shot and killed one victim and injured another. On May 7, 2003, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Ms. Castaneda to 15 years to life for second degree murder plus a 25-years-to-life sentence enhancement, a total prison term of 40 years to life.

Ms. Castaneda was 20 years old at the time of the crime and is now 38. She has been incarcerated for more than 18 years. She has expressed sincere remorse for her role in this crime.

Since entering prison, Ms. Castaneda has worked hard to better herself. She has maintained a good disciplinary record while in prison. Ms. Castaneda earned her GED, obtained a vocation in carpentry, and has participated in extensive self-help programming. She has been commended by prison staff for her exceptional conduct and for being respectful and a good worker.

Ms. Castaneda participated in a serious crime that took the life of a teenager and injured another. Since then, Ms. Castaneda has dedicated herself to her rehabilitation and becoming a productive citizen. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of her positive conduct in prison, the fact that she was a youthful offender, and her good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Ms. Castaneda merits an earlier opportunity to make her case to the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether she is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Ms. Castaneda does not minimize or forgive her conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work she has done since to transform herself.
THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Sandra Castaneda to make her eligible for immediate parole consideration and release upon a grant of parole subject to all applicable review periods.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GA VIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Enrique Cristobal

In 2003, Enrique Cristobal and his crime partners fired several shots at a moving vehicle carrying rival gang members. Nobody was injured. On May 2, 2005, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Cristobal to seven years to life for attempted murder plus a 20-year sentence enhancement, a total prison term of 27 years to life.

Mr. Cristobal was 20 years old at the time of the crime and is now 37. He has been incarcerated for 17 years. While in prison, Mr. Cristobal has worked hard to better himself. He has maintained an exemplary disciplinary record, earned his GED, participated in self-help programming, and completed training to become a certified drug and alcohol counselor. Mr. Cristobal currently works as an offender mentor intern. He has been commended by prison staff for his exceptional conduct and being a positive influence and role model for other inmates.

Mr. Cristobal committed a serious crime. Since then, Mr. Cristobal has dedicated himself to his rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Cristobal's positive conduct in prison, the fact that he was a youthful offender, and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Cristobal is ready to be released on parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Cristobal does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Enrique Cristobal to release him on parole.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Casey David

In 2006, Casey David drove his crime partners to the victim's home where one of Mr. David's crime partners shot and killed the victim in a gang-related crime. On April 9, 2008, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. David to nine years for attempted murder with a 20-year sentence enhancement, a total prison term of 29 years.

Mr. David was 18 years old at the time of the crime and is now 32. He has been incarcerated for more than 13 years. Mr. David has expressed genuine remorse for his role in the victim's death.

Since entering prison, Mr. David has devoted himself to his self-improvement. He has maintained a good disciplinary record while in prison. Mr. David has participated in extensive self-help programming and completed vocational training. Prison staff have commended Mr. David for his exceptional conduct, good work ethic, positive attitude, and rehabilitative efforts.

Mr. David participated in a serious crime that took the victim's life. Since then, Mr. David has dedicated himself to his rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of his positive conduct in prison, the fact that he was a youthful offender, and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. David is ready to be released on parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. David does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Casey David to release him on parole.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

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GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

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ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

David Diaz

In 1998, David Diaz was arrested for shooting at a rival gang member. The victim survived his injuries. On November 18, 1999, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Diaz to nine years for attempted murder plus 28 years to life of sentence enhancements, a total prison term of 37 years to life. Mr. Diaz has maintained his innocence.

Mr. Diaz was 19 years old at the time of the crime and is now 42. He has been incarcerated for 22 years. While in prison, Mr. Diaz has committed himself to his rehabilitation. Mr. Diaz has participated in self-help programming, earned a paralegal certificate, and is enrolled in college courses. He currently works as a peer mentor in the substance abuse disorder treatment program. Prison staff have commended Mr. Diaz for his positive behavior and efforts in rehabilitation.

Mr. Diaz was convicted of a serious crime that injured the victim. Since then, Mr. Diaz has dedicated himself to his self-improvement and becoming a productive citizen. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Diaz’s positive conduct in prison, the fact that he was a youthful offender, and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Diaz merits an earlier opportunity to make his case to the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Diaz does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

 THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of David Diaz to make him eligible for immediate parole consideration and release upon a grant of parole subject to all applicable review periods.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

James Jacobs

In 2004, James Jacobs fatally shot the victim during an argument outside of a nightclub. On June 9, 2005, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Jacobs to 15 years to life for second degree murder plus a 25 years-to-life sentence enhancement, a total prison term of 40 years to life.

Mr. Jacobs was 15 years old at the time of the crime and is now 32. He has been incarcerated for 16 years.

While in prison, Mr. Jacobs has devoted himself to his self-development. Mr. Jacobs has maintained an exemplary disciplinary record in prison. He has engaged in self-help programming, completed vocational training in custodial maintenance, and is currently enrolled in college courses.

Mr. Jacobs committed a serious crime that took the life of a young man. Since then, Mr. Jacobs has dedicated himself to his rehabilitation and becoming a productive citizen. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Jacobs’s positive conduct in prison, the fact that he was a youthful offender, and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Jacobs merits an earlier opportunity to make his case to the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Jacobs does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of James Jacobs to make him eligible for immediate parole consideration and release upon a grant of parole subject to all applicable review periods.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Patrick Leach

In 2013, Patrick Leach shot his neighbor during an argument. The victim survived his injuries. On July 1, 2015, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Leach to six years for assault with a semiautomatic firearm, plus nine years of sentence enhancements, a total prison term of 15 years.

Mr. Leach was 27 years old at the time of the crime and is now 35. He has been incarcerated for five years.

Since entering prison, Mr. Leach has devoted himself to his self-development. Mr. Leach has maintained a perfect disciplinary record. He has participated in significant self-help programming, earned two associate degrees, and completed vocational training. He has been praised by prison staff for his positive attitude, good work ethic, and for being a model inmate.

Mr. Leach committed a serious crime that injured the victim. Since then, Mr. Leach has taken responsibility for his actions and has dedicated himself to his rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Leach's positive conduct in prison and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Leach merits an earlier release on parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Leach does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Patrick Leach to eight years.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November, 2020.

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GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Tyler Lord

In 2004, Tyler Lord shot the victim after a conflict. The victim survived his injuries. On May 18, 2005, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Lord to seven years to life for attempted murder plus a 25-years-to-life sentence enhancement, a total prison term of 32 years to life.

Mr. Lord was 20 years old at the time of the crime and is now 37. He has been incarcerated for 16 years. While in prison, Mr. Lord has worked hard to better himself. He has maintained an exemplary disciplinary record. Mr. Lord earned his GED, participated in self-help programming, obtained a vocation in auto mechanics, and is currently enrolled in college courses. He has been commended by prison staff for his exceptional conduct, being respectful, and demonstrating responsibility and reliability.

Mr. Lord committed a serious crime that injured the victim. Since then, Mr. Lord has dedicated himself to his rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Lord’s positive conduct in prison, the fact that he was a youthful offender, and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Lord is ready to be released on parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Lord does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Tyler Lord to release him on parole.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November, 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE
Fernando Murillo

In 1996, 16-year-old Fernando Murillo committed a series of carjackings and gang-related drive-by shootings. During the crimes, three of the victims were shot but survived their injuries. On March 17, 1999, the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda, sentenced Mr. Murillo to 15 years to life for attempted murder, six years and eight months for two counts of carjacking, ten months for attempted carjacking, one year and four months for mayhem, plus 17 years and eight months of sentence enhancements, a total prison term of 41 years and six months to life.

Mr. Murillo is now 41 years old. He has been incarcerated for 24 years.

While in prison, Mr. Murillo has devoted himself to his self-improvement. He earned his GED, participated in significant self-help programming, and completed vocational training. Mr. Murillo currently works as a palliative care provider to other inmates in hospice. Hospice medical staff commended Mr. Murillo for his work with patients during the COVID-19 epidemic, and wrote that he has mature insight, compassion for others, and a positive attitude.

Mr. Murillo committed several serious crimes that injured three victims. Since then, Mr. Murillo has dedicated himself to his rehabilitation and becoming a productive citizen. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Murillo’s positive conduct and acts of service in prison, the fact that he was a youthful offender, and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Murillo is ready to be released on parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Murillo does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Fernando Murillo to release him on parole.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November, 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Francis Pedroza

In 1999, Francis Pedroza shot at a rival gang member. The victim survived his injuries. On January 28, 2000, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Pedroza to nine years to life for attempted murder plus a 25-year sentence enhancement, a total prison term of 34 years to life.

Mr. Pedroza was 15 years old at the time of the crime and is now 37. He has been incarcerated for 21 years.

While in prison, Mr. Pedroza has worked hard to better himself. He has maintained an exemplary disciplinary record while in prison. Mr. Pedroza has resided in an honors dorm, earned his GED, participated in extensive self-help programming, and obtained a vocation. Mr. Pedroza recently dedicated himself to the dog training program, college courses, and electrical work.

Mr. Pedroza committed a serious crime that injured a teenager. Since then, Mr. Pedroza has dedicated himself to his rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Pedroza’s positive conduct in prison, the fact that he was a youthful offender, his good prospects for successful community reentry, and his designation as a high medical risk for extreme illness from COVID-19. I have concluded that Mr. Pedroza is ready to be released on parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Pedroza does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Francis Pedroza to release him on parole.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November, 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Ellen Richardson

In 1995, Ellen Richardson hired a crime partner to kill her estranged husband. She had previously attempted to solicit others to kill him a year earlier. On December 31, 1996, the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, sentenced Ms. Richardson to life without the possibility of parole for murder.

Ms. Richardson was 42 years old at the time of the crime and is now 67. She has been incarcerated for 25 years. Ms. Richardson has expressed sincere remorse for the crime.

While serving a sentence with no hope of release, Ms. Richardson has devoted herself to her self-improvement. She has maintained a perfect disciplinary record while in prison. Ms. Richardson has resided in an honors dorm, participated in extensive self-help programming, and served as the president of the Woman’s Advisory Council. Ms. Richardson has been a leader in the Jewish community in prison and received praise for her positive attitude and respectfulness toward all inmates and staff. Twelve correctional staff members commended Ms. Richardson on her contributions to the prison community.

Ms. Richardson committed a serious crime that took the life of the victim. Since then, Ms. Richardson has dedicated herself to her rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of her positive conduct in prison, her advanced age and her designation as a high medical risk for extreme illness from COVID-19, and her good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Ms. Richardson merits the opportunity to make her case to the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether she is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Ms. Richardson does not minimize or forgive her conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work she has done since to transform herself.
THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Ellen Richardson to 25 years to life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

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GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Gary Roberson

In 1998, Gary Roberson fatally shot the victim during an altercation. On January 12, 2001, the Superior Court of California, County of Contra Costa, sentenced Mr. Roberson to 25 years to life for first degree murder plus a 25-years-to-life sentence enhancement, a total prison term of 50 years to life.

Mr. Roberson was 21 years old at the time of the crime and is now 44. He has been incarcerated for 22 years. Mr. Roberson has expressed sincere remorse for his crime.

While in prison, Mr. Roberson has devoted himself to his rehabilitation. Mr. Roberson has maintained an exemplary disciplinary record. He has engaged in extensive self-help programming, earned two vocations, and is currently enrolled in college courses. Mr. Roberson has been commended by prison staff for his exceptional conduct and praised by his supervisors for his work ethic and positive attitude.

Mr. Roberson committed a serious crime that ended the life of the victim. Since then, Mr. Roberson has demonstrated a sincere commitment to his rehabilitation and self-improvement. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Roberson’s positive conduct in prison, the fact that he was a youthful offender, his good prospects for successful community reentry, and his designation as a high medical risk for extreme illness from COVID-19. I have concluded that Mr. Roberson is ready to be released on parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Roberson does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Gary Roberson to release him on parole.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Chan Saeteurn

In 2002, Chan Saeteurn and his crime partner fatally shot a rival gang member. On March 7, 2005, the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, sentenced Mr. Saeteurn to 15 years to life for second degree murder plus a ten-year sentence enhancement, a total prison term of 25 years to life.

Mr. Saeteurn was 18 years old at the time of the crime and is now 36. He has been incarcerated for 17 years. Mr. Saeteurn has expressed genuine remorse for his crime. While in prison, Mr. Saeteurn has maintained a good disciplinary record. He earned his GED, has participated in extensive self-help programming, and completed vocational training. Mr. Saeteurn currently works as a barber and has been involved in the prison’s dog training program for many years. He has been commended by prison staff for his exceptional conduct, positive attitude, patience, and work ethic.

Mr. Saeteurn committed a serious crime that ended the victim’s life. Since then, Mr. Saeteurn has devoted himself to his rehabilitation and becoming a productive citizen. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Saeteurn’s positive conduct in prison, the fact that he was a youthful offender, and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Saeteurn merits an earlier opportunity to make his case to the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Saeteurn does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Chan Saeteurn to make him eligible for immediate parole consideration and release upon a grant of parole subject to all applicable review periods.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

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ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Anna Villa

In 2003, Anna Villa fatally stabbed her co-worker in the bar where they worked. On June 28, 2004, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Ms. Villa to 25 years to life for murder with a one-year sentence enhancement, a total prison term of 26 years to life.

Ms. Villa was 28 years old at the time of the crime and is now 45. She has been incarcerated for more than 17 years. She has expressed sincere remorse for the crime.

Since entering prison, Ms. Villa has worked hard to better herself. She has maintained an exemplary disciplinary record while in prison. Ms. Villa earned a certificate in Business and Office Technologies, attended college courses, and participated in extensive self-help programming. She has been commended by prison staff for her exceptional conduct, excellent work ethic, and professional attitude. Two correctional officers praised Ms. Villa for her commitment to accepting responsibility for her actions and her maturity.

Ms. Villa committed a serious crime that took the life of the victim. Since then, Ms. Villa has dedicated herself to her rehabilitation and becoming a productive citizen. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of her positive conduct in prison and her good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Ms. Villa merits an earlier opportunity to make her case to the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether she is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Ms. Villa does not minimize or forgive her conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work she has done since to transform herself.
THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Anna Villa to make her eligible for immediate parole consideration and release upon a grant of parole subject to all applicable review periods.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

MEDICAL REPRIEVE OF SENTENCE

Darío Starr

On May 10, 2001, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Darío Starr to 25 years to life for burglary as a third strike and 25 years to life for attempted burglary as a third strike, plus 20 years of sentence enhancements, a total prison term of 70 years to life.

Mr. Starr is 87 years old and has been incarcerated for 20 years. Medical staff have determined that Mr. Starr has an elevated risk of morbidity should he become infected with COVID-19.

I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Starr's medical condition, his advanced age, his mobility restriction, and other relevant case factors. I have concluded that Mr. Starr's temporary emergency medical transfer to an appropriate alternative placement in the community to continue serving his sentence is consistent with public safety and public health.

This temporary medical reprieve of sentence does not minimize or forgive Mr. Starr's past conduct or the harm it caused.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant a reprieve to Darío Starr to make him immediately eligible to be transferred into an alternative custody placement in the community approved by the Department of Adult Parole Operations. This reprieve permitting Mr. Starr to continue serving his sentence in the community under the supervision of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) is temporary and may be nullified at any time for any reason, resulting in Mr. Starr's immediate return to CDCR custody.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
MEDICAL REPRIEVE OF SENTENCE

Larry Johnson

On May 23, 1996, the Superior Court of California, County of Fresno, sentenced Larry Johnson to 25 years to life for burglary as a third strike plus 12 years of sentence enhancements, a total prison term of 37 years to life.

Mr. Johnson is 71 years old and has been incarcerated for 25 years. Medical staff have determined that Mr. Johnson has an elevated risk of morbidity should he become infected with COVID-19.

I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Johnson’s medical condition, his advanced age, his mobility restriction, and other relevant case factors. I have concluded that Mr. Johnson’s temporary emergency medical transfer to an appropriate alternative placement in the community to continue serving his sentence is consistent with public safety and public health.

This temporary medical reprieve of sentence does not minimize or forgive Mr. Johnson’s past conduct or the harm it caused.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant a reprieve to Larry Johnson to make him immediately eligible to be transferred to an alternative custody placement in the community approved by the Department of Adult Parole Operations. This reprieve allowing Mr. Johnson to continue serving his sentence in the community under the supervision of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) is temporary and may be nullified at any time for any reason, resulting in Mr. Johnson’s immediate return to CDCR custody.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
MEDICAL REPIEVE OF SENTENCE

Ronald Salles

On December 3, 2002, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Ronald Salles to 25 years to life for robbery as a third strike plus six years of sentence enhancements, a total prison term of 31 years to life.

Mr. Salles is 71 years old and has been incarcerated for 18 years. Medical staff have determined that Mr. Salles has an elevated risk of morbidity should he become infected with COVID-19.

I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Salles’s medical condition, his advanced age, and other relevant case factors. I have concluded that Mr. Salles’s temporary emergency medical transfer to an appropriate alternative placement in the community to continue serving his sentence is consistent with public safety and public health.

This temporary medical reprieve of sentence does not minimize or forgive Mr. Salles’s past conduct or the harm it caused.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant a reprieve to Ronald Salles to make him immediately eligible to be transferred into an alternative custody placement in the community approved by the Department of Adult Parole Operations. This reprieve permitting Mr. Salles to continue serving his sentence in the community under the supervision of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) is temporary and may be nullified at any time for any reason, resulting in Mr. Salles’s immediate return to CDCR custody.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020

[Signature]
GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

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ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

MEDICAL REPRIEVE OF SENTENCE

Lynn Beyett

On December 23, 1998, the Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo, sentenced Lynn Beyett to 25 years to life for robbery as a third strike plus 11 years in sentence enhancements, a total prison term of 36 years to life.

Mr. Beyett is 68 years old and has been incarcerated for 23 years. Medical staff have determined that Mr. Beyett has an elevated risk of morbidity should he become infected with COVID-19.

I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Beyett’s medical condition, his advanced age, and other relevant case factors. I have concluded that Mr. Beyett’s temporary emergency medical transfer to an appropriate alternative placement in the community to continue serving his sentence is consistent with public safety and public health.

This temporary medical reprieve of sentence does not minimize or forgive Mr. Beyett’s past conduct or the harm it caused.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant a reprieve to Lynn Beyett to make him immediately eligible to be transferred to an alternative custody placement in the community approved by the Department of Adult Parole Operations. This reprieve allowing Mr. Beyett to continue serving his sentence in the community under the supervision of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) is temporary and may be nullified at any time for any reason, resulting in Mr. Beyett’s immediate return to CDCR custody.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 10th day of November 2020.

GAVER NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State