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RECORD OF DECISION

IN THE MATTER OF

JOELL MADERA
W87853

TYPE OF HEARING: **Review Hearing**

DATE OF HEARING: **April 26, 2022**

DATE OF DECISION: **July 5, 2022**

PARTICIPATING BOARD MEMBERS: Gloriann Moroney, Dr. Charlene Bonner, Tonomey Coleman, Sheila Dupre, Tina Hurley, Colette Santa

STATEMENT OF THE CASE: On June 5, 2006, in Franklin Superior Court, Joell Madera pleaded guilty to second degree murder in the death of 19-year-old Anthony Alves and was sentenced to life in prison with the possibility of parole. On that same date, Mr. Madera pleaded guilty to intimidation of a witness and received a concurrent sentence of six to seven years.

Mr. Madera appeared before the Parole Board for a review hearing on April 26, 2022. He was represented by student attorneys from Boston College Defenders Law School. This was Mr. Madera's second appearance before the Board having been denied at his initial hearing in 2021. The entire video recording of Mr. Madera's April 26, 2022, hearing is fully incorporated by reference to the Board's decision.

DECISION OF THE BOARD: After careful consideration of all relevant facts, including the nature of the underlying offense, the age of the inmate at the time of offense, criminal record, institutional record, the inmate's testimony at the hearing, and the views of the public as expressed at the hearing or in written submissions to the Board, we conclude by a unanimous vote that the inmate is a suitable candidate for parole.

Reserve to Long Term Residential Program (LTRP) after completion of twelve months in lower security. Mr. Madera must complete the Correctional Recovery Academy while in lower security. On November 13, 2004, 18-year-old Joell Madera and his three co-defendants beat and stabbed Anthony Alves to death. He has had an overall positive adjustment with no disciplinary reports since 2009. He is currently enrolled in his second semester at Boston College. He has completed the Culinary Arts program, Restorative Justice Retreat, and all

phases of Alternatives to Violence program. Since his last hearing, he has been active in NA/AA and enrolled in the American Vet Dog program. He addressed the concerns of the Board from the last hearing. Mr. Madera will benefit from the structure of a long-term residential program.

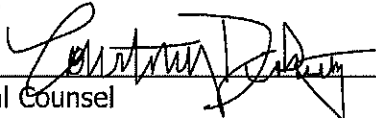
The applicable standard used by the Board to assess a candidate for parole is: "Parole Board Members shall only grant a parole permit if they are of the opinion that there is a reasonable probability that, if such offender is released, the offender will live and remain at liberty without violating the law and that release is not incompatible with the welfare of society."

In forming this opinion, the Board has taken into consideration Mr. Madera's institutional behavior, as well as his participation in available work, educational, and treatment programs during the period of his incarceration. The Board has also considered a risk and needs assessment and whether risk reduction programs could effectively minimize Mr. Madera's risk of recidivism. After applying this appropriately high standard to the circumstances of Mr. Madera's case, the Board is of the opinion that Mr. Madera is rehabilitated and merits parole at this time.

Special Conditions: Reserve to Long Term Residential Program (LTRP) – must complete; Waive work for two weeks or program; Curfew must be at home between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.; ELMO-electronic monitoring; Supervise for drugs; testing in accordance with agency policy; Supervise for liquor abstinence; testing in accordance with agency policy; Report to assigned MA Parole Office on day of release; No contact or association with co-defendants; No contact with victim's family; Must have mental health counseling for adjustment/transition; AA/NA at least 3 times/week.

I certify that this is the decision and reasons of the Massachusetts Parole Board regarding the above referenced hearing.

/s/ Pamela Murphy p.p.
Pamela Murphy, General Counsel



7/5/22
Date