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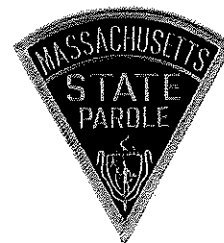
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RECORD OF DECISION

IN THE MATTER OF

RABORN ALLAH

(F/K/A DAVID WARRICK)

W58709

TYPE OF HEARING: Review Hearing

DATE OF HEARING: October 4, 2022

DATE OF DECISION: January 11, 2023

PARTICIPATING BOARD MEMBERS: Tina Hurley, Dr. Charlene Bonner, Tonomey Coleman, Dr. Maryanne Galvin, James Kelcourse, Colette Santa

STATEMENT OF THE CASE: On May 23, 1995, in Hampden Superior Court, Raborn Allah, formerly known as David Warrick, pleaded guilty to the second-degree murder of George Greer and was sentenced to serve life in prison with the possibility of parole.

Mr. Allah appeared before the Parole Board for a review hearing on October 4, 2022. He was not represented by counsel. Mr. Allah was first paroled after his initial hearing in 2009 and again after review hearings in 2011 and 2013 following returns to custody. He was returned to custody for a third time in 2016 and was denied parole after his review hearings in 2017 and 2019. The entire video recording of Mr. Allah's October 4, 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 unanimous vote that the inmate is a suitable candidate for parole.

Reserve to CRJ Western Massachusetts for ninety days. On March 5, 1994, Mr. Allah, then 18 years old, participated in the murder of 22-year-old George Greer. Mr. Allah has been back in custody since 2016. Since the last hearing, Mr. Allah has only incurred one disciplinary report that was continued without a finding. The Board has addressed Mr. Allah's prior parole failures

and he presented as having more insight into the reasons behind these at his most recent hearing. He has established a reentry plan that will establish a supportive environment for success on parole supervision. He has completed Criminal Thinking, Pathways to Recovery, and was enrolled in the Small Business Management Course through Mount Wachusett Community College. He has also obtained his OSHA certification and has been employed in the kitchen for the last five years. The Board encourages Mr. Allah to work closely with his support network, including his parole officer, to ensure his success on parole supervision.

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." 120 C.M.R. 300.04. In forming this opinion, the Board has taken into consideration Mr. Allah'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. Allah's risk of recidivism. Applying this standard to the circumstances of Mr. Allah's case, the Board is of the unanimous opinion that Raborn Allah is rehabilitated and, therefore, merits parole at this time.

Special Conditions: Reserve to CRJ Western Massachusetts for 90 days; Waive work for two weeks; Curfew – Must be home between 10pm and 6am; 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 with victim's family; Must have mental health evaluation and follow recommendations; Must have substance abuse evaluation and follow recommendations; Counseling for adjustment/transition; Contact with Raiyan Pena at PO's discretion.

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


Pamela Murphy, General Counsel

1/11/23

Date