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RE; PUBLIC COMMENTS AGENDA ITEM IV- MEETING OF THE BOARD SEPTEMBER.29, 2021

Dear Board,

Please consider the following comments related to your discussion of the possible modification of NAC 213.518; In order to bring NAC 213.518 into compliance with the statutory authority conferred for its creation by the legislature pursuant to NRS 213.10885 and NRS 213.1099 this board **MUST** establish a **WEIGHTED VALUE** for each aggravating factor and each mitigating factor. Without the establishment of this objective measurement sought, no objective standard is defined. The use of any factor contemplated pursuant to NAC 213.518 for Parole action, based upon an undefined standard, is simply a subjective review and prevents a fair hearing.

Parole is a grace of the state, but the board is not permitted to grant or deny parole as a whim based on subjective standards not sufficiently defined with a weighted value. Parole action in this manner can never be said to be applied in a manner consistent with concepts of a fair hearing. It implicates equal protection issues and runs afoul of principles related to the uniform operation and application of general laws as enshrined in the Nevada constitution Article 4 subsection 21. Please establish a weighted known value for each factor related to NAC 213.518.

Thank you for your consideration,

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