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The Honorable Tina Kotek, Governor
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Via email to Nicole Townsend, Executive Clemency Coordinator: nicole.townsend@oregon.gov

Honorable Governor:

I write in response to your August 8, 2023, letter inviting District Attorneys to submit cases of individuals who have violated clemency conditions and thus warrant revocation of that extraordinary benefit.

I share in your stated desire to keep our communities safe and to that end have attached revocation recommendations and the supporting information as requested. Considerable time, effort and resource has been expended to compile this list and I appreciate your sincere consideration of each case. With this information, I now formally ask that you use your discretion and authorize revocations for 57 individuals as justified in the attached spreadsheet.

In summary, 11 of the 138 persons with Marion County commutations have victimized others by committing various person felonies and/or misdemeanors. An additional 28 are currently wanted for crimes and violations or have actually been convicted of a non-person crime since their original release. Two are currently serving prison sentences for felonies committed after their release but do not appear to have had their clemency revoked. Notably, one is currently awaiting trial for Murder in the Second Degree with a firearm committed within only one year of Governor Brown's release.

Thank you for your prompt consideration of this public safety issue.

Sincerely,

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District Attorney

cc: Executive Clemency Coordinator Townsend via email above
Encl: Clemency Spreadsheet (via email attachment)