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Malrin Gusman, Sheriff
Orleans Parish (Criminal)
2800 Gravier Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70119

CONFIDENTIAL

RE: Compassionate Medical Release Consideration for Kentrell Parker DOC #371212

Dear Sheriff Gusman:


The DPS&C is considering a compassionate medical release for offender Kentrell Parker DOC# 371212. Offender Parker is a 32 year old male currently assigned to LSP. He is presently admitted to the University Medical Center of New Orleans. Offender Parker was convicted in Orleans Parish of second degree murder for an offense dated March 15, 1999. His sentence is Life and he is not eligible for parole or good time release. He has a previous arrest and conviction for possession of crack cocaine. His arrest record also reflects charges for operating a vehicle while intoxicated, possession of a firearm, and lewd conduct.

On February 19, 2010, offender Parker received a traumatic cervical spinal cord injury. As a result, he is a quadriplegic and bed bound. More specifically, he is paralyzed from his nipple line down (cannot move arms or legs). Offender Parker requires continuous artificial respiration via a ventilator, has a tracheostomy, gastrostomy tube and foley catheter to manage his vital functions. He requires total assistance with all activities of daily living. Due to his medical condition, he is considered permanently incapacitated and only a minimal danger to himself or society.

Offender Parker is technically eligible for compassionate release consideration according to Departmental Health Care Policy #06. There is no crime victim on file and a DNA test has been completed. If granted a compassionate release, arrangements will be made for placement at Villa Feliciana Medical Complex, Post Office Box 438, 5002 Highway 10, Jackson, Louisiana, 70748, in East Feliciana Parish (phone number 225-634-4017). **Additionally, Probation and Parole will monitor this offender on a regular basis.**

If you have any concerns regarding this matter, please fax to (225) 342-1329.

Regards,


Raman Singh, M.D.
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