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TO: THE CALIFORNIA PAROLE BOARD

To all whom it may concern:

My name is Michael D. Weigel and I am a prisoner of the state of California; one of many years.

This letter concerns another prisoner, Mr. Free (PF) Lazor, CDC number C73842.

I have known Mr. Lazor for very many years, probably going back some 15 or 20 years. We have landed at different prisons over the past couple decades or so, and each time reconnect, having some things in common, which is somewhat rare for me, because I tend to stay to myself for the most part in prison. I am presently in the same prison and the same housing building (cell block) as Lazor.

I can and do attest that Mr. Lazor is a rare and unusual person to find in prison. He is a man of high integrity who actually practices his principles of honorableness, honesty, caring for his fellow man and many other fine qualities I've known others to emulate in him.

Lazor is studious and a real stickler for keeping his word at all costs; he has a rare reputation for this among everyone who knows him to my personal knowledge.

Mr. Lazor is often seen going out of his way to help others who are less fortunate than him, lending a helping hand wherever reasonably possible within his means in the prison setting. I know he had very high goals he constantly works at, rooted in goals of working to better himself, to be a better man and develop himself in all positive respects. He has always, per my observations, been very, even exceptionally, involved in many self-help groups and activities, including very much in music, writing and performing, that reaches into social issues as a voice to better our world and each individual who listens.

Ironically, though I've consistently observed Lazor's demeanor toward all CDC staff to be respectful and to be very obedient to prison rules (he even prides himself on never breaking them since I've known him), I've observed him be the brunt and special target of often shocking acts of retaliation and reprisals from prison staff. Not all, of course; he gets along well with many prison guards and free staff, but there have always been in my observation, those who have targeted him with false rule violation reports and negative chrono reports, when I was there and saw he did not commit the negative acts he was accused of and usually "found guilty" of. I saw this on actually many occasions

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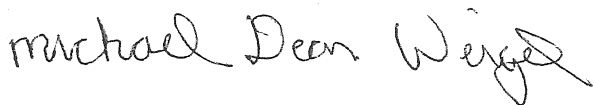
at different prison facilities where we've been together. It is actually something phenomenal to see; even something that has made no sense to me and many other observers who I've observed comment on it. It has been so unusual and so unjust, that in the past, including many years ago, I personally testified to these acts of shocking reprisals and false accusations against Lazor in sworn declarations, even knowing I put my own self at great risk of such reprisals and false rule violation reports for testifying honestly about this phenomenal conduct on the part of certain prison staffers against Mr. Lazor.

I believe Lazor has unjustly denied parole because of these reprisals against him that have become a permanent, though untrue and unjust record, in his prison files. I see him clearly as a rare prisoner, particularly deserving of parole and that he would be an excellent asset to society. I've never known him to commit a crime in prison, nor even a bad, malicious act in any way, nor even a negative one, in the many years I've known him. He has consistently been a positive "light" for many, and I feel 100% certain he would be so even moreso in society as a free man. He does not fit into the prison system and never has, because he does not possess the common prisoner mentality and seems incapable of that. That has seemed to be part of the reason he's been especially targeted for false reports, on top of the more primary reason of his frequent law work, including against prison abuses, which includes certain errant staff, though certainly not all of them.

I urge you to grant parole to Mr. Lazor; he deserves it. It is long, long overdue.

I certify that all my comments are sincere and true, and that I would be more than willing to witness to them again before any board or court of law or to anyone to whom it may concern.

Sincerely,



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