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NEWS RELEASE

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Re: Jimmie McVane Parole Hearing

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MODESTO, CALIFORNIA – Stanislaus County District Attorney James Brazelton announced today that Jimmie McVane, 73, was found unsuitable for parole at a September 8th hearing of the State Board of Prison Terms in Corcoran State Prison. Deputy District Attorney Beth O'Hara attended the hearing. Once McVane was informed that the District Attorney's office would argue against his release, he agreed to a one year denial of parole and did not proceed with his hearing. The People were prepared to adamantly oppose his release due to the vicious nature of the crime and the callous disregard for his stepfather's life, James Jordan, Jr.

On June 7, 1980 at 8:00 p.m., James Jordan Jr., age 56, walked out of his home on Vine Street in Modesto. He was followed by his stepson, Jimmie McVane, age 49, to the sidewalk in front of the residence. Mr. Jordan turned around and McVane, while standing three feet away, shot Jordan with a .44 revolver. Mr. Jordan fell backwards to the ground. McVane then walked up to Jordan and fired three more shots into Jordan's abdomen. McVane then returned to his residence.

McVane was convicted of second degree murder in 1982. McVane is serving his sentence of 17 years to life and has previously been denied parole. McVane will be scheduled for another hearing in one year.

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