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**PRESS RELEASE**

**For Immediate Release**

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Re: John Adams

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that life inmate John Adams was found unsuitable for parole after a hearing before the State Board of Prison Terms held on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007 at the California State Prison in Solano. Deputy District Attorney Carolyn Matzger appeared on behalf of the People and argued for Adams's continued confinement based on the commitment offense, the inmate's prior convictions for burglary and robbery, and his lack of current and detailed parole plans. The Parole Board agreed and denied Adams parole for one year.

On June 8, 1980, Adams used a shotgun to shoot and kill 22 year-old James Goff during an argument at the Richland Shopping Center in Ceres. Adams was convicted of first degree murder with use of a gun and sentenced to 28 years to life in state prison. He has previously been denied parole six times. He will be scheduled for another parole hearing in 2008.

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