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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Jack Britt Parole Hearing

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Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Jack Britt, age 44, was found unsuitable for parole at a March 19, 2008 hearing of the State Board of Prison Terms at Soledad State Prison. Deputy District Attorney Sandra Bishop appeared at the hearing and argued for Britt's continued confinement based on the nature of the murder, his past history of criminal conduct, and the unreasonable risk to public safety should he be paroled. The Board of Prison Terms agreed, finding that Britt continued to be unpredictable and a threat to others and denied parole. Britt will be scheduled for another parole suitability hearing in three years.

Britt stands convicted of the December 1, 1981, murder with use of a firearm of John Crahan, a local High School teacher. Britt shot Crahan at Crahan's Modesto home during a botched kidnapping and extortion plot. Britt is serving a seventeen years to life prison sentence and has previously been denied parole eight times.

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