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West Sacramento Man Denied Parole for 1996 Gang Murder

(Woodland, CA) – **May 30, 2014** - Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced that today the Board of Parole Hearings found 38-year-old West Sacramento man, Daniel Robinson, unsuitable for parole. The hearing took place at Salinas Valley State Prison in Monterey County. This was Robinson's first parole hearing after spending the past 18 years in state prison.

In 1996 a Yolo County jury found Robinson guilty of second degree murder for killing 16-year-old Robert Castro in a gang related drive by shooting. At the time of the shooting, Castro was riding his bike in West Sacramento. Robinson and his friends were associated with the 29th Street Crips. Because they felt disrespected by the Broderick Boys, a West Sacramento gang, they decided to get revenge by shooting Castro. After the trial, Robinson was sentenced to 18 years to life in state prison.

Chief Deputy District Attorney Jonathan Raven with victim services advocate Silvia Aceves attended the hearing on behalf of the District Attorney's Office. Robert Castro's mother, father, grandfather, sister and brother also attended the hearing. In finding Robinson unsuitable for parole, Commissioner Perry Turner stated that Robert Castro was "vulnerable while riding his bike and the offense was carried out in a dispassionate manner." Commissioner Turner stated that Robinson also continued to have problems with alcohol and violence based on his behavior while in prison. Robinson will not be eligible for parole until 2019.

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