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Parole Denied for Convicted Sex Offender and Third Striker Anthony Saiza Cuadras
CDCR #K34026; Kern Court Case #SC063871A

Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced that the California Board of Parole Hearings (BPH) denied release to a convicted sex offender. On July 2, 2025, BPH found that Anthony Cuadras continues to pose a current and unreasonable risk to public safety. Representing the District Attorney's Office was Deputy District Attorney Gina Nargie.

Cuadras' criminal history began as a juvenile in 1972 and spanned over two decades before he was sentenced to 25-years-to-life pursuant to California's Three Strikes Laws. His final criminal case occurred on August 7, 1995. At approximately 2:30am, law enforcement conducted a traffic stop after receiving information that Cuadras was selling methamphetamine and was in possession of a gun. At the time of the stop, law enforcement detected an order of alcohol and observed a recent injection site on his left arm. Inside the vehicle, law enforcement located a .22 caliber semi-automatic handgun, scale, numerous small baggies of methamphetamine, and an address book that had dollar amounts and weights consistent with drug sales.

On September 25, 1996, Cuadras pled guilty to possession of methamphetamine. As part of his plea, he admitted he had been found guilty of two prior strikes. His strike priors included a conviction for lewd and lascivious conduct with a child under the age of 14 and armed robbery. As a third strike offender, on December 12, 1996, a Kern County Judge sentenced Cuadras to an elevated sentence of 25-years-to-life.

On July 2, 2025, the BPH conducted Cuadras' fourth parole hearing. At the hearing, the commissioners focused on his participation in a violent riot in 2021. The commissioners addressed their concerns that Cuadras participated in an attack where 8 inmates, including Cuadras, attacked three other men. In addition, the commissioner focused on his lack of sex offender treatment throughout his entire period of

incarceration.

The Kern County District Attorney's Office asked the BPH to deny parole. The BPH found that Cuadras was not suitable for parole and posed a current unreasonable risk of danger to society. The BPH has the option of denying an inmate parole for a period of 15, 10, 7, 5 or 3 years. Cuadras' commissioners issued a three-year denial.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer commented; "We have consistently presented our concerns before the Board regarding the ongoing threat that Cuadras poses to public safety. As a three-strike offender, it is essential that he remain in prison."

Anthony Cuadras:

