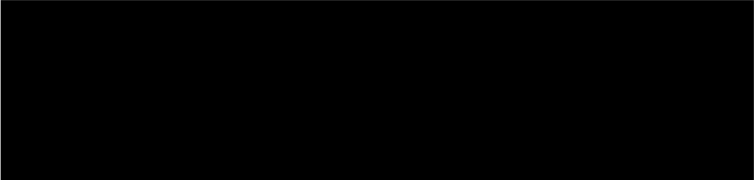



April 12, 2022

California Inst. for Men  
Ernie A. Mora



Mrs. Pokharel:

I am writing in the hopes of being added to the list of names of those serving a Life Without Parole sentence. I am an inside the walls member of F.U.E.L. (families united to end L.W.O.P.) and I am very familiar with the Drop L.W.O.P. coalition. However, I just heard of the work you and your group are doing and I definitely want to be a part of the fight with you. here's something I've written for you to share;

I am an Incarcerated person who has been serving a Life Without Parole sentence for the past 29 years. At the age of 23, I participated in a robbery which caused the death of another human being. There is no way to really explain the horror that comes from knowing you are responsible for the most precious thing that a person has, which is, LIFE. I was not armed, nor did I intend for anyone to be killed, but I was a participant in a robbery which laid the basis for the loss of a life.

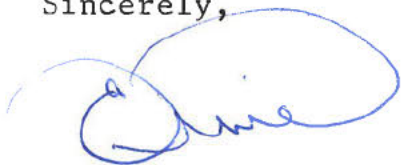
During the time of my Incarceration, I've learned to take responsibility for my actions and have taken meaniful steps towards my rehabilitation. For one who has not been impacted by a life without parole sentence, It is difficult, If not impossible to understand the magnitude of the cruelty behind this Death by Incarceration sentence. It is complete and utter deprivation of hope. It means that no matter the extent of rehabilitation, remorse, and real change a person makes, a person like myself will never have a chance to go before a parole board and demonstrate that an end to my Incarceration is appropriate and consistent with the interests of justice and public safety.

L.W.O.P. is a goverment-imposed death sentence, a sentence which will only

cease with the end of life itself. Now, I want to believe that Justice demands MORE than just locking up a human being and throwing the key. I am really not seeking a get out of jail free card, I'm only asking for the opportunity to earn my way out of prison. After nearly three decades in prison, my hope is that others would deem it reasonable to take a second look at Public Safety on a case by case basis.

Thank you so much for your time. I look forward to hearing from you and the group.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "D. J. [unclear]", written in a cursive style.