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COUNTY OF TULARE

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PAROLE DENIED FOR SEX OFFENDER

On March 1, 2017, at the Substance Abuse Treatment Facility and State Prison at Corcoran, a California parole board denied parole for Peter Contreras, age 48, of Porterville, for child molestation against a child under 14. Contreras received a 5 year denial and is not eligible for another hearing until 2022.

On and between January 2, 1997 and June 1, 1997 in Tulare County, Contreras committed forcible lewd acts on a child under the age of 14 against a single victim. At the time of the crimes, Contreras had a prior conviction for molesting a child under the age of 14. In October of 1997, Contreras pleaded no contest to forcible lewd act on a child with the special allegation of inflicting great bodily harm. He was sentenced to 15 years to life in prison.

This is Contreras' second denial of parole. The District Attorney's Office routinely attends parole hearings and a Deputy District Attorney argued against the inmate's release in this case.

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