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Re: *Proposed Changes to 9 NYCRR §§ 8002.1 - 8002.3*

Dear Ms. Kiley:

I am writing in support of the above referenced proposed rule changes that were published in the *NYS Register* on September 28, 2016.

Our brother-in-law, David Putland (84B2029), was incarcerated at the age of 15 and has been in prison for 37 years.

David has been denied parole numerous times and the Parole Board has continuously failed to recognize his rehabilitation and current level of maturity. David is certainly not a threat to society in any way; he is a wonderful husband and father.

We are writing to support the proposed changes and most especially, the changes that affect inmates whose crimes were committed when they were youths. We agree that New York State should recognize the difference between juvenile and adult crime and we sincerely hope that these changes bring about real change.

Very truly yours,

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