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Chairman William W. Wynne, Jr. Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles 301 South Ripley Street Montgomery, Alabama 36130

RE: Charles Donald Corley – AIS 184756

Dear Chairman Wynne:

I have received notification that Inmate Corley will be considered for parole on January 31, 2012. This letter is to express strong opposition to the potential release of Charles Donald Corley due to the violent nature of this crime.

Inmate Corley proved to society that, today, he is right where he belongs—safely locked away from law abiding citizens. Inmate Corley proved by his behavior that he does not deserve the freedoms that society provides. He proved this when he used his influence and power as a Boy Scout Troop leader to prey among young boys who were members of his troop. He is a classic child molester and pedophile and, by his own admission, "cannot be cured". Inmate Corley abused the trust that he was given, not only by the boys in the troop he led, but also by the community who trusted and believed in him. He maintained his innocence until, finally, he pled guilty to sodomy and sex abuse of three separate victims who were members of his troop. I also understand that the investigation into Inmate Corley revealed years of abuse by him with more than twenty additional victims.

As an Eagle Scout myself, I am appalled that the Boy Scouts of America has been subjected to such calculated and criminal behavior by one of its trusted leaders. We must protect our children from predators like Charles Corley. Early release of him would defeat the deterrence and retribution purposes of this State's penal system and would undermine the overall goal of justice in this case.

I urge the Board of carefully consider the facts of this case, coupled with the impact of the crime on the victims and their families, and deny the parole request of Charles Corley.

Sincerely,

Luther Strange

cc: Rep. Paul DeMarco

Assistant District Attorney Mike Anderton