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James Moore Released to Parole

Today, the Monroe County District Attorney’s Officer received notification that James Moore was granted parole. According to the NYS Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, he will be released to parole supervision on or about June 6, 2022. He had been referred to as New York’s longest-serving inmate. He is 88 years of age.

On July 11, 1963, James Moore pled guilty to Murder 1st for the brutal murder and rape of 14 year old Pamela Moss from 1962. According to Moore’s confession, the last think Pamela Moss said was “please…..”. Not only did he confess to his heinous crime, but prior to sentencing, Moore agreed to spend the rest of his life in prison to avoid the death penalty—an arrangement authorized by the victim’s grieving family so they would be assured that Moore would never again live life outside of the Department of Corrections. A decade later, changes in New York State law, however, allowed him to go before the Parole Board, which he has done more than 20 times before being granted parole on this occasion.

“For years, my predecessors, District Attorney Howard Relin and District Attorney Michael Green, and I have vehemently opposed the release of James Moore. We have kept the community informed of his upcoming parole interviews and even circulated petitions in our community to provide a voice to the Parole Board. I am deeply saddened by this news. It is a disservice to Pamela’s family,” said District Attorney Sandra Doorley.

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