



City of Glendora  
116 E. Foothill Blvd.  
Glendora, CA 91741

June 10, 2026

Commissioners of the Board of Parole Hearings  
RE: Larry Hernandez (CDCR No. K10786)

Dear Commissioners:

On behalf of the City Council and its residents, I write to express our unequivocal opposition to the parole of Larry Hernandez, CDCR No. K10786, for the murder of Glendora Police Detective Louie Pompei on June 9, 1995.

More than three decades have passed since that tragic day, yet the loss suffered by our community remains profound. While time may lessen the immediacy of grief, it does not erase the consequences of a senseless act of violence that forever changed the lives of Detective Pompei's family, his fellow officers, and the community he faithfully served.

On June 9, 1995, Larry Hernandez and an accomplice entered a Vons grocery store in San Dimas armed with loaded handguns during the commission of a robbery. During the crime, a store employee was violently assaulted. Detective Pompei, though off duty and shopping at the store, responded immediately when he witnessed the unfolding violence. He identified himself as a police officer and intervened to protect innocent people from further harm. In doing so, he engaged the armed suspects and was shot multiple times. Despite suffering fatal wounds, Detective Pompei continued his efforts to stop the threat and prevent additional victims. He ultimately gave his life in service to others.

His actions reflected the character of the man himself. He was a dedicated public servant, a respected member of the Glendora community, and an individual who consistently placed the safety and well-being of others before his own. His courage, compassion, and commitment to service remain an enduring example for those who wear the badge today and for the community he proudly represented.

The impact of his murder extended far beyond the immediate tragedy. The men and women of the Glendora Police Department continue to carry the memory of Detective Pompei and the sacrifice he made. New generations of officers learn his story and understand that the freedoms and safety enjoyed by our residents were secured, in part, through his willingness to act when others were in danger. His family continues to live with the consequences of a loss that can never be restored, and our community continues to honor his memory through remembrance and gratitude.





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This case was not the result of a momentary lapse in judgment. Detective Pompei was murdered while intervening in an armed robbery committed by individuals who willingly brought loaded firearms into a public place and demonstrated a complete disregard for human life. The events of that day reflected a pattern of violent criminal conduct that victimized communities throughout Southern California and culminated in the death of a police officer whose only objective was to protect others.

The City of Glendora has never forgotten Detective Louie Pompei. We continue to honor his service because his sacrifice deserves remembrance, and because the values he embodied remain central to who we are as a community. Granting parole to the individual responsible for his murder would undermine the gravity of that sacrifice and diminish the lasting impact this crime has had on countless lives.

For these reasons, and in recognition of the immeasurable loss suffered by Detective Pompei's family, the Glendora Police Department, and the entire Glendora community, the City of Glendora strongly and respectfully urges the Board to deny parole to Larry Hernandez.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Fredendall".

David Fredendall  
Mayor

