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Board of Pardons & Paroles  
Washington, D.C.

Honorable Sirs:

I am writing this letter in behalf of Mr. Otto P. Higgins, who is now confined at Leavenworth and whose parole will come before your Board in September.

For years I have been active in safety work in Kansas City and was President of the Kansas City Safety Council while Mr. Higgins was Chief of Police. As chief, Higgins was very active in the promotion of accident prevention on our streets and cooperated with our Council in promoting safety. In the course of our safety work, I became personally well acquainted with him and found him sincere in all his efforts, to better conditions in Kansas City.

With the exception of the crime for which he is now serving, he has always been a useful citizen in this community and I personally feel that if he were permitted to return to this community he would re-establish himself as a worthy citizen and would gain back the confidence that he lost by this one misstep.

I know from talking with his acquaintances and friends that they have not lost faith in him and they are anxious to have him come back and all express a desire to help.

In petitioning your Honorable Board to give Mr. Higgins' parole favorable consideration, I do so with the sincere belief that he will justify your favorable action in his behalf and will become the respectable citizen he was before he committed this, his first offence.

Respectfully yours,  
Harry E. Scheark  
3924 Tracy Avenue

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