DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BUREAU OF PRISONS 1940 AUG 12 AM 10 58

Kans[as] City, Mo. August 8, 1940

To the Honorable Board of Pardons & Paroles, Washington, D. C. Gentlemen:-

Re: Otto P. Higgins, 55996-L

It gives me great pleasure to write concerning our very good neighbors, the Higgins family. For almost fifteen years, we have lived across the street from this family. We have certainly enjoyed then as being really worthwhile to know as real friends.

As a teacher in High School. I am glad to say the three children were a pleasure to have in school. I do not know where you could find two finer girls than these two of the Higgins family. When a moral question was being considered, you could always count on James Higgins, their only son, being on the right side.

Such children as these are not likely to come from homes, except where the home influence is right and the home influence ii not likely to be right unless the parents are good citizens and good people.

Mrs. Higgins is a cultured woman with high ideals. She is a good mother, a devoted wife and a true friend and neighbor.

Mr. Higgins is a true friend and has many very warm friends. He has many fine qualities. As Director of Police he brought about some important reforms that are in keeping with the modern trend for the protection of the people.

I hope the Parole Board may find it is justified in granting this request that is now being made concerning Mr. Otto P. Higgins.

Very sincerely yours, G. R. Watson

GW/W

RECEIVED AUG 12 1940 Office of Parole Executive