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#### **EXECUTIVE ORDER**

### Commutation of Sentence Michael Clifton

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Governor of the State of Colorado by Article IV, Section 7 of the Colorado Constitution, I, Jared Polis, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this Executive Order commuting the sentence of Michael Clifton.

## I. Background

In 2000, Michael Clifton, DOC Reg. No. 104974, was convicted of three counts of Second Degree Kidnapping, two counts of First Degree Burglary, three counts of Aggravated Robbery - Intent to Kill and Accessory to Crime in Arapahoe County, Colorado (1998CR2398). He was sentenced to the Department of Corrections for 98 years for these crimes. His current estimated parole eligibility date is in 2042. The constitutional and statutory conditions for granting this clemency petition have been satisfied, and granting this commutation is in the interest of justice.

#### **II.** Grant of Clemency

- A. Michael Clifton be and hereby is granted a limited commutation such that he is granted parole effective January 31, 2023. The Parole Board shall set the terms and conditions of Mr. Clifton's parole.
- B. This grant of clemency is limited to paroling Mr. Clifton effective January 31, 2023, with terms and conditions of parole to be set by the Parole Board, and shall not in any way affect the underlying criminal conviction.



GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this twenty-second day of December, 2022.

Jared Polis Governor