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**James Moore Denied Parole on his Life Sentence for Murder and Rape**

Rochester, NY- This week, a Parole Board denied James Moore early release from his life-in-prison sentence for the rape and murder of Pamela Moss in 1962.

James Moore was convicted of the savage rape and murder of 14 year old Pamela Moss in 1962 in Penfield, NY. In addition to this crime, Mr. Moore confessed to sexually assaulting dozens of other young girls in the Rochester area in the years and months leading up to Pamela Moss' murder. Prior to sentencing, Moore agreed to spend the rest of his life in prison in order to avoid the death penalty—an arrangement authorized by the victim's grieving family if they could be assured that Moore would never again be free. Changes in New York State law, however, have given Mr. Moore the opportunity to annul this sentence agreement and seek his freedom. Last week Mr. Moore appeared in front of the Parole Board and this week they denied his request for early release. He has served 55 years of his life sentence and will continue to do so.

“Despite his age and the current duration of his incarceration, I believe that James Moore remains a threat to our community and to any community in which he settles,” said District Attorney Sandra Doorley. “This denial of early release will serve to keep a dangerous predator off the streets while preserving the pact that allowed Mr. Moore to escape the death penalty for his crime decades ago. In addition, I believe that this outcome would ensure that justice continues to be served to Mr. Moore's victims and the Moss family.”

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