EXECUTIVE ORDER

Secretary of State
Frankfort
Kentucky

2019-1221
December 6, 2019

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

WHEREAS, Gregory Wilson was convicted in Kenton County in 1988 of murder, robbery, rape and criminal conspiracy; and

WHEREAS, Gregory Wilson was directly involved in a brutal murder more than 30 years ago. To say that his legal defense was inadequate would be the understatement of the year. The prosecution and defense in this case were, from start to finish, incredibly incompetent. Justice should be served on all sides. It was not. The fact that the actual admitted killer is now out of prison and her co-defendant is on death row would indicate that Mr. Wilson got the short end of the justice stick on his day in court; and

WHEREAS, regardless of the final resolution of future parole board hearings, Mr. Wilson at least deserves an equal opportunity for justice to be served;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Matthew G. Bevin, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, in consideration of the foregoing, and by the virtue of the authority vested in me by Sections 77 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby commute the sentence of Gregory Wilson from the sentence of death by execution to a sentence of life with the possibility of parole after serving a minimum of 30 years.

Done at the Capitol, in the City of Frankfort, this 6th day of December, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Nineteen and in the year of the Commonwealth the Two Hundred Twenty Eighth.

MATTHEW G. BEVIN, Governor
Commonwealth of Kentucky

ALISON LUNDERGAN GRIMES
Secretary of State