



# State of North Carolina

**Roy Cooper**  
GOVERNOR

**COMMUTATION ORDER**  
**FOR**  
**PENNY ELIZABETH JARRETT**  
**#0150442**

**WHEREAS**, PENNY ELIZABETH JARRETT (“Jarrett”), at the August 1998 Term of Guilford County Superior Court, was convicted of First Degree Murder, Docket Number 97CRS12091, and by judgment of said Court was sentenced to life imprisonment without parole; and was convicted of Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon, Docket Number 98CRS23027, and was sentenced to a consecutive minimum sentence of seventy-seven (77) months and a maximum sentence of one hundred two (102) months; and

**WHEREAS**, N.C. Gen. Stat. § 15A-1380.5 (now repealed), provided that individuals sentenced at that time to life without parole were eligible to have their sentence reviewed after serving twenty-five years of imprisonment; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 15A-1380.5, a resident Superior Court Judge for Guilford County reviewed Jarrett’s case and recommended that Jarrett be granted clemency; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Post-Release and Parole Commission reviewed the judge’s recommendation and recommended that Jarrett be granted clemency; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been made to appear to me that this case is one fit for a Commutation.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Roy Cooper, Governor of the State of North Carolina, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution of the State, do by these presents **COMMUTE** her sentences for First Degree Murder and Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon to make her parole eligible subject to the condition that if she is placed on parole, she shall not violate any conditions of her parole or have her parole revoked for any reason.

If the Governor, or his successor, finds that PENNY ELIZABETH JARRETT has violated any condition herein provided, then the Governor or his successor may, in his or her discretion, revoke or modify the Commutation granted this day.

This Commutation Order shall not extend to any other offenses.

This Commutation Order is effective this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024.



  
Roy Cooper