

State of North Carolina



BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE
GOVERNOR

PARDON OF INNOCENCE
FOR
GREGORY FLYNT TAYLOR
A/K/A GREGORY FLINT TAYLOR,
GREG TAYLOR

WHEREAS, at the April 1993, Term of Wake County Superior Court, Gregory Flynt/Flint Taylor was convicted of First Degree Murder, Docket Number 91-CRS-71728, and by judgment of the Court was sentenced to a term of Natural Life in the custody of the North Carolina Department of Correction;

WHEREAS, on September 3 and 4, 2009, the North Carolina Innocence Inquiry Commission conducted a hearing and the eight-member panel unanimously concluded that there was "sufficient evidence of innocence to merit judicial review" in Gregory Flynt/Flint Taylor's case and recommended a review by a three-judge panel pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 15A-1469(a);

WHEREAS, Chief Justice Sarah Parker appointed Judge Howard E. Manning, Jr., Judge Tanya T. Wallace, and, Judge Calvin E. Murphy, as the three-judge panel to hear the evidence supporting the claim of innocence by Gregory Flynt/Flint Taylor;

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2010, the panel convened for five days to hear evidence supporting a claim of innocence by Gregory Flynt/Flint Taylor;

WHEREAS, on February 17, 2010, the three-judge panel, following the guidelines established in N.C.G.S. §§ 15A-1460(1) and 1469, unanimously agreed upon a finding of innocence of Gregory Flynt/Flint Taylor for the murder of Jacquetta Thomas on September 26, 1991;

WHEREAS, Gregory Flynt/Flint Taylor now seeks a Pardon of Innocence by the Governor;

WHEREAS, the District Attorney of Wake County has no objections to the granting of this Pardon of Innocence;

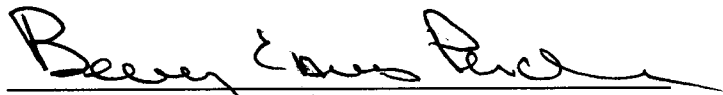
WHEREAS, the victim's family members have been notified as required by N.C.G.S. §§ 15A-838 and 830(6), and have voiced no objections to the granting of this Pardon of Innocence; and

WHEREAS, a Pardon of Innocence makes Gregory Flynt/Flint Taylor eligible for consideration of compensation and loss of life opportunities through the North Carolina Industrial Commission pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 148-84;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Beverly Eaves Perdue, Governor of the State of North Carolina, in consideration of the above factors, and by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution of the State, do by these presents PARDON the said Gregory Flynt/Flint Taylor, it being a Pardon of Innocence.

This Order effective this the 21 day of May 2010.




Beverly Eaves Perdue
Governor