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PRESS RELEASE

For immediate release

Date: March 16, 2006
Re: Cassandra Hunt

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Modesto, California –The Stanislaus County District Attorney’s Office announced today that Cassandra Hunt, age 54, formerly of Modesto, was sentenced after a hearing in front of the Honorable Ricardo Cordova on March 10, 2006. Judge Cordova sentenced Hunt, who had no criminal history, to 5 months in the county jail and ordered her to pay restitution in the amount of \$28,765 for committing the crime of Theft from an Elder. Deputy District Attorney Carolyn Matzger prosecuted the case. The case was investigated by Modesto Police Department Detective Sebron Banks and District Attorney Investigator Bill Jespersen.

The case arose out of events that occurred between August 2004 and April 2005 in the city of Modesto. During that time, Cassandra Hunt was employed by an in-home care agency as a caregiver for a 97-year-old woman. As this woman’s caregiver, Hunt was expected to perform light housekeeping duties and cook meals. Over this period of time, Hunt took \$29,125 out of the victim’s checking account. Hunt cashed \$28,480 in checks that she made out to herself. She also paid her cable and dog grooming bills from the victim’s checking account.

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