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PRESS RELEASE

For immediate release

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Re: Dustin Jimmy Brown
Second Prison Sentence for Auto Thief

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Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Dustin Jimmy Brown, age 27, of Empire, entered a plea of guilty to auto theft and admitted having served a prison sentence for a previous auto theft conviction from January 29, 2007. Deputy District Attorney Jeff Mangar prosecuted the case for the People.

The case arose out of events which occurred on October 20, 2008 when the defendant was driving a blue 1988 Toyota pick-up in Empire which had been reported stolen that day out of Modesto. The defendant claimed his friend gave him the truck and that he did not know it was stolen.

Upon the entry of the guilty plea, Brown was sentenced by the Honorable Timothy Salter to four years in state prison.

Stanislaus County residents can report suspected vehicle theft activity to their local law enforcement agency or contact the Stanislaus County Auto-Theft Task Force (STANCATT) at: (209) 545-7316.

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