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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Caris McDougald – 6 years in prison
for attack on woman

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Caris McDougald, age 42, of Modesto, was convicted of threatening to commit a crime resulting in great bodily injury or death. The defendant also admitted one prior conviction that falls under California's "Three Strikes" law and two prior prison commitments. Deputy District Attorney Rob Taro prosecuted the case for the People.

The case arose out of events that occurred on November 5th, 2008 when McDougald was arrested after attacking the woman with whom he was residing. During the attack, McDougald threatened to kill the victim while choking her. The victim was not injured as a result of this attack and did not seek medical attention.

Upon entry of the plea, the Honorable Hurl Johnson sentenced McDougald to six years in state prison.

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