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**PRESS RELEASE**

**For Immediate Release**

Date: February 23, 2009  
Re: Channa Neang – 2 years and 8  
Months prison for vehicular  
manslaughter

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**Modesto, California** – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Channa Neang, 25, of Modesto was sentence by The Honorable Ricardo Cordova to two years and eight months in state prison for vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated and hit and run with injury. Neang pled guilty to the charges on January 5, 2009.

On May 31, 2008, Neang was driving a Honda Civic on Paradise Road when he rear-ended a pickup truck driven by Jose Landeros, 38, of Modesto. Landeros died at the scene.

Evidence at the preliminary hearing indicated that Neang had his blood taken hours after the collision, and it showed a .03% blood alcohol and a small amount of the active metabolites of marijuana. Expert testimony indicated that Neang had a blood alcohol level at the time of driving of about .08%. Neang then drove away from the scene with parts of his car dragging on the roadway. An off-duty firefighter and off-duty CHP officer saw Neang driving and alerted authorities.

Neang was remanded into custody after sentencing.

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