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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Mayra Viveros

Auto Thief Sentenced to 16 Months Prison

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Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Mayra Viveros, age 23, of Turlock, was convicted on January 25, 2010 of auto theft. Viveros is currently on probation for possession of a controlled substance stemming from a November 2007 conviction and possession of stolen property stemming from a May 2009 conviction. Deputy District Attorney Jeff Mangar prosecuted the case for the People.

On November 3, 2009 at approximately 2:45 p.m. in the parking lot of La Aurora Market and Liquor on Boulder Avenue in Modesto, officers from the Stanislaus County Auto Theft Task Force (StanCATT) observed Viveros driving a 2006 silver Dodge Ram 1500 quad cab pick-up truck. After performing a vehicle stop the officers observed damage to the ignition. The truck was reported stolen on October 24, 2009 out of the victim's driveway in Turlock. Viveros claimed that a friend gave her the truck but had no contact information for him.

Upon entry of the plea, the Honorable Timothy Salter sentenced Viveros to sixteen months 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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