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**PRESS RELEASE**

**For Immediate Release**

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Re: Heaven Leeann Chavez—On-line chat  
leads to robbery conviction

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Heaven Chavez, age 30, of Turlock, was convicted of robbery. In addition, she admitted having a prior serious felony conviction under the California "Three Strikes" sentencing scheme. Deputy District Attorney John Baker prosecuted the case for the People.

The case arose out of events which occurred on May 23, 2008 in the city of Turlock. The victim met the defendant on a chat line. The victim drove up from Madera to meet the defendant in person. Once at the residence, the victim was confronted by the defendant and other individuals. The victim's wallet was taken and he was forced to give up the pin number for his ATM card. Subsequently, the defendant went to a nearby bank and withdrew \$500 from the victim's account. Upon entry of a no contest plea, the Honorable John Whiteside sentenced the defendant to four years in state prison.

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