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PRESS RELEASE

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Date: October 23, 2008
Re: Elmer Glenn Savage, Jr. – Auto
Thief Will Spend Six Years in Prison

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Elmer Glenn Savage, Jr., age 30, of Modesto, entered a plea of guilty to auto theft, grand theft, and second degree burglary on October 22, 2008. Deputy District Attorney Jeff Mangar prosecuted the case for the People.

The defendant had been on felony probation for possession of methamphetamine when he committed the current offense.

The auto theft case occurred on February 1, 2008 in Modesto when Savage was arrested driving a 1994 Ford Ranger that had been reported stolen the day before. The defendant's neighbor observed the defendant driving the stolen vehicle and reported it to the police.

The grand theft case occurred on February 4, 2008 in Ceres when the defendant broke into a storage shed and stole construction equipment with a value over \$400.

The second degree burglary cases arose out of events which occurred between May 30 to September 6, 2008 when the defendant stole change from several laundry machines in Ceres and Modesto at Bertie's Wash and Dry, Lakewood Laundromat, Simi Laundry, and Laundry Day laundromats.

Upon the entry of the guilty please, the Honorable Timothy Salter sentenced Savage to six years at the California Rehabilitation Center.

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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