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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Daniel Cardona – robbery nets defendant
40 years in state prison

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Daniel Cardona, age 47, of Ceres, was sentenced by the Honorable Donald E. Shaver on June 1, 2009 to 40 years in state prison after being convicted at jury trial on March 27, 2009 of kidnapping for the purpose of robbery, robbery and attempted robbery. Deputy District Attorney John Baker prosecuted the case for the People.

The case arose out of events that occurred on March 15, 2008 in the city of Ceres. Cardona went into the K-Mart Store on Hatch Road and robbed one clerk and then commanded the clerk to leave the store with him. She was later released outside the store.

Cardona was found to have three prior serious felony convictions under California's "Three Strikes" law.

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