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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Billy Ray Hensley – Five years in state
prison for home invasion robbery.

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Billy Ray Hensley, Jr., age 31, of Modesto, was convicted on February 24, 2009 of home invasion robbery, use of a weapon, possessing a gun as a felon and admitted having had one prior prison commitment. Deputy District Attorney Beth Owen prosecuted the case for the People.

On January 29, 2009, Hensley forcefully kicked open the front door of an inhabited residence and, with a tire iron clenched in his hand, demanded money and a laptop computer from the victim inside the home. Days later, the property was found in the defendant's bedroom as well as a pistol.

Upon entry of the plea, Judge Donald E. Shaver sentenced Hensley to 5 years in state prison.

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