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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Timothy Ryan Jamison – Child
Molest and Possession of Child
Pornography Result in 3 years,
And 8 months in prison

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Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Timothy Ryan Jamison, age 48, of Modesto, was convicted of two felonies of molesting a four year old and possession of child pornography. Deputy District Attorney Annette Rees prosecuted the case for the People.

Jamison worked as a youth pastor and choir director at two local churches. In October of 2007, Jamison rented a room from a family with a four year old boy. The boy's mother caught Jamison fondling the child over his clothes. Jamison was evicted from the home and a report was made to the Modesto Police Department. A search of Jamison's car, room, and a storage shed on the church property, yielded a significant amount of child pornography. During the 18 months that this case proceeded toward trial, several other young boys were also identified as victims of Jamison.

Upon entry of the plea, the Honorable John Freeland sentenced Jamison three years and eight months in State Prison. . "He basically pled guilty to everything and threw himself on the mercy of this court," said Rees. This was as good as it would get for Jamison." Although they did not speak, the young victim and his family were present in court. At one point the victim's mother was overcome with emotion, and left the courtroom.

In addition to his prison sentence, Jamison will be a lifetime sex offender registrant, and before being released on parole, be evaluated for civil commitment as a Sexually Violent Predator. "That is always a critical component of these convictions: we want to know where these guys are, at all times," DDA Rees proclaimed. "If he ever does get parole, he will be wearing a GPS tracker."

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