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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Shantesha Solonia Luvlonda Fluker
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Auto Thief Gets
2 Years Prison

Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Shantesha Solonia Luvlonda Fluker AKA Tamika Jones, age 32, of Stockton, was convicted on January 27, 2011 of auto theft. Fluker is currently on parole for possession of a stolen vehicle stemming from a February 2006 conviction out of Stockton. Deputy District Attorney Jeffrey W. Mangar prosecuted the case for the People.

On July 9, 2010 at approximately 6:00 p.m. in the area of the downtown Transit Center by J Street and 8th Street in Modesto, an officer observed Fluker drive a 1993 grey Lexus S40 into the Center and park. Only buses are allowed to drive into the Center. When the officer ran the license plate of the vehicle, he discovered that the car had been reported stolen on July 7, 2010 out of an auto dismantler business in Stockton. When the officer confronted her, Fluker claimed that she traded for the car at the dismantler two days earlier but had no bill of sale.

Upon entry of the plea, the Honorable John Whiteside sentenced Fluker to two years in state prison.

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.

IF YOU OBSERVE A THEFT IN PROGRESS, DIAL 911

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