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PRESS RELEASE

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Date: October 6, 2021
Re: Jose Luis Pulido
Voluntary Manslaughter Conviction

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Modesto, California - Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Jose Luis Pulido, age 42 of Manteca, was convicted on September 29, 2021 of voluntary manslaughter in the death of his brother, Juan Pulido-Mendoza. Deputy District Attorney Michael Scheid prosecuted the case for the People.

On November 3, 2018, the body of 27-year-old Juan Pulido-Mendoza was pulled from the Delta-Mendota canal near Howard Road in Stanislaus County. Pulido-Mendoza's body had multiple wounds consistent with being stabbed with a knife and his blood was found at the scene where his car had been parked. Evidence at the scene linked the victim's brother, Jose Luis Pulido, to the crime. An autopsy confirmed the victim had died from multiple stab wounds and had been in the canal for several days.

Investigators learned that Jose Luis Pulido had recently been told that the victim had raped his wife. There was also evidence that the defendant had planned to meet his brother the evening of October 28th. Juan Pulido-Mendoza was not seen alive again after that night.

Pulido pled to the crime of voluntary manslaughter on September 29, 2021 before Judge Robert Westbrook. Pulido will return to court October 27, 2021 when he will be sentenced to serve seven years in state prison.

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