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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Jacob Daniel Franklin, age 25, of Waterford, was held to answer after a preliminary hearing on September 23, 2008. Deputy District Attorney Michael D. Houston prosecuted the case for the People.

At the conclusion of the almost full day of hearing, the Honorable Charles Stone found there was sufficient evidence presented to hold defendant to answer on a felony count of child abuse causing death and second degree murder.

Franklin will appear in court again on October 2, 2008 for arraignment. Franklin faces a maximum of 25 years to life in prison.

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