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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Eduardo Perez
Prison for Drunk Driving Causing
Injury

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Eduardo Perez, age 24, of Fresno, was sentenced on January 29th to 4 years and 4 months in state prison for Driving Under the Influence Causing Bodily Injury (DUI) and having more than three prior DUI convictions following his conviction in November, 2009. Deputy District Attorney Jeffrey M. Laugero prosecuted the case for the People.

On August 30, 2009 at 1:27 a.m., Modesto police officers were dispatched to an injury collision at the Briggsmore and Carpenter Road overpass. Subsequent investigation determined that Perez, the driver of a Chevrolet pickup, failed to stop at the stop sign at 9th Street and Carpenter Road and drove across several lanes of traffic until he collided with a vehicle of a family of five on their way out of town for a family event. The father suffered a broken ankle and shoulder blade, spent several days in the hospital, and has had several months of ongoing physical therapy. His wife and their three young children all suffered varying injuries, most of which have healed. Perez was found to have been driving under the influence of alcohol, with a blood alcohol level of .24%.

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