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Date: 11/28/2018 Re: 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Lighting of the Homicide Victims' Memorial Tree & Candlelight Vigil John Goold, Public Information Liaison Phone: (209) 525-6909

Modesto, California - The District Attorney's Office Victim Services Program will sponsor the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Lighting of the Homicide Victims' Memorial Tree & Candlelight Vigil on Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M. The ceremony will be held on the Courthouse Lawn located at 1100 I Street, Modesto. Opening remarks will be made by District Attorney Birgit Fladager, followed by Guest Speakers Denise Donnell, in memory of her daughter, and Erin Nelson, Executive Director of Jessica's House. Special music will be provided by Sarah Snyder, followed by the River Lights Choir.

Friends and family of homicide victims are invited to attend and bring a non-breakable ornament to hang on the tree in remembrance of their loved ones who are not with us to celebrate the holiday season due to the criminal acts of others.

In case of rain, the program will be moved to the covered parking garage at 832 12<sup>th</sup> street, across from the courthouse. For more information, contact the Victim Services Program at 525-5541.