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NEWS RELEASE

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MODESTO, CALIFORNIA – Stanislaus County District Attorney James C. Brazelton announced today that his office is interested in talking with students who participated in any of the several change of venue surveys related to the Peterson case that were conducted by Professor Stephen Schoenthaler of California State University Stanislaus.

CSUS students who participated in any of those surveys are requested to contact the District Attorney's Office at the number listed above so that they may be interviewed in order to confirm allegations contained in the Modesto Bee newspaper story published Friday, January 9th, 2004. This information may be provided to the Superior Court in order to insure that evidence relied upon by the Court to make decisions in this case was properly obtained and introduced.

Due to the court's Protective Order, no press conferences will be held by the District Attorney's Office on this issue. No other comments will be made nor will requests for interviews be granted at this time.

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