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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today Michael Vincent Cisneros, age 25, of Merced pled guilty to Voluntary Manslaughter and admitted the personal use of a weapon on October 8, 2008. Deputy District Attorney Doug Fontan appeared prosecuted that case for the People.

The case arose out of events which occurred on December 22, 2004 in the city of Modesto when the defendant fatally stabbed Matthew Hubrectsen in the abdomen after Mr. Hubrechtsen verbally intervened in an argument defendant was having with his girlfriend, Richelle Zaragoza. Mr. Hubrechtsen was unarmed and suffered five stab wounds.

After ejecting the wounded victim from his residence, the defendant called 911 and reported the stabbing. The Honorable Marie Silveira scheduled the sentencing hearing for November 6, 2008. The defendant is facing a maximum of 12 years in state prison.