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### **PRESS RELEASE**

For immediate release Contact: Carol Shipley

Date: April 26, 2010 Assistant District Attorney

Re: Anthony Adam Cartwright Phone: (209) 525-5550

Auto Thief Sentenced to

4 Years Prison

Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Anthony Adam Cartwright, age 45, of Ceres, was convicted of auto theft on April 26, 2010 and admitted having served a prior prison term in February 2003 following a conviction for possession of a controlled substance. Deputy District Attorney Jeffrey W. Mangar prosecuted the case for the People.

On February 21, 2010 at approximately 4:00 p.m. in the area of Stonum Road and Hatch Road in Ceres, Cartwright was found in the passenger seat of a 2004 brown Toyota Corolla that Cartwright's friend was driving. The vehicle had been reported stolen out of Ceres on February 12, 2010. Cartwright claimed that he bought the vehicle for \$2500 from "Bob," however did not have any paperwork with him.

Upon entry of the plea, the Honorable Scott Steffen sentenced Cartwright to four years in state prison.

Stanislaus County residents can report suspected vehicle theft activity to their local law enforcement agency or contact the Stanislaus County Auto-Theft Task Force (STANCATT) at: (209) 545-7316.

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