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PRESS RELEASE

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Date: November 29, 2010 Assistant District Attorney

Re: Caleb Andrew Parr Phone: (209) 525-5550

Auto Thief Gets 4 Years Prison

Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Caleb Andrew Parr, age 33, of Coulterville, was convicted of being a felon in possession of ammunition, auto theft, and possession of stolen property; he also admitted having a prior auto theft conviction from June 2005. Deputy District Attorney Jeffrey W. Mangar prosecuted the case for the People.

On September 27, 2010 at approximately 4:00 p.m., an officer observed Parr changing a flat tire on a disabled 1992 white Nissan 300 ZX on State Route 120 near Lover's Leap. The officer stopped next to the vehicle and ask Parr if he needed assistance in changing the tire. Parr indicated he did not and that a friend was on his way to help him. Later that evening at around 7:00 p.m., the owner of that Nissan 300 ZX reported that it was stolen out of the owner's driveway in Modesto sometime after the owner left for work at 8 a.m.

On October 19, 2010 at around 1:00 a.m. in the area of Patterson Road and Terminal Avenue in Riverbank, an officer performed a routine traffic stop on a pick-up truck that Parr was driving. After stopping the vehicle, the officer noticed that the vehicle's registration tab did not belong to that truck. The officer then discovered that Parr was on parole for auto theft. During a parole search, the officer discovered two rounds of .22 caliber ammunition which Parr is prohibited from possessing since he is a convicted felon. The officer also located the registration tab to the stolen Nissan 300 ZX, as well as stolen property that belonged to the owner of a 1992 teal Honda Civic.

That afternoon at around 1:00 p.m., an officer received a tip that an abandoned 1992 teal Honda Civic was located on Red Hills Road in Sonora. When the officer arrived, he discovered that the recovered Honda Civic was reported stolen out of Modesto on October 10, 2010. All the property that had been stolen from inside the Honda was located in Parr's vehicle earlier that morning when Parr was stopped in Riverbank.

Upon entry of the plea, the Honorable Ricardo Cordova sentenced Parr 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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