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PRESS RELEASE

For immediate release

Date: June 21, 2011

Re: Terry Lee Bond

Auto Thief Gets 5 Years Prison Contact: Carol Shipley Assistant District Attorney Phone: (209) 525-5550

Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Terry Lee Bond, age 29, of Ceres, was convicted on June 21, 2011 of possession of a stolen vehicle. Bond also admitted having a prior auto theft conviction from January 2003 and a burglary conviction from January 2004 for which he served a term in prison. Deputy District Attorney Jeff Mangar prosecuted the case for the People.

On March 2, 2011 at approximately 10:00 p.m., a neighbor of the owner of a 2004 blue Honda Pilot called 911 after he observed Bond driving the vehicle near a gas station located on East Hatch Road in Ceres. The vehicle had been reported stolen from the owner's driveway on Shire Way in Turlock on February 19, 2011. Within minutes, a police officer responded to the area where the vehicle was now parked and unoccupied. A short distance away, the officer located Bond walking away from the parked car. On the ground, the officer located a set of keys that Bond had dropped next to the stolen car. The neighbor then arrived at the scene and positively identified Bond as the person he had seen driving the stolen vehicle.

The Honorable Nancy Ashley sentenced Bond to five 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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