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## PRESS RELEASE

### For Immediate Release

Date: August 24, 2021  
Re: Jaime Ramirez Rosas  
Murder Conviction

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Jaime Ramirez Rosas, age 35, of Modesto, was convicted on August 19, 2021 of murder and misdemeanor sexual assault. Deputy District Attorney Samuel Luzadas prosecuted the case for the People.

On June 2, 2018, Rosas strangled to death his wife, 32-year-old Rosalina Chaves, in their Modesto apartment. Rosas left the body lying in their bed until the morning of June 4, 2018 when he walked to the fire department across the street to report something possibly wrong with his wife.

At first, Rosas told authorities that Chaves may have overdosed on drugs and hit her head on a table during an argument. Later, when confronted with autopsy findings that she had actually died of strangulation, Rosas admitted he strangled her. He was arrested and charged with murder.

On August 19, 2021, Rosas pled guilty to second-degree murder. During the same hearing, he was also convicted of misdemeanor sexual battery in a separate case where he assaulted Chaves's sister on April 9, 2018.

Rosas returns to court on November 1, 2021 when he will be sentenced by Judge Ricardo Cordova to 15 years-to-life in state prison.

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