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NEWS RELEASE

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Today 38-year-old Jason Curtis of Eureka was sentenced to 8 years in prison for his assault on the 76-year-old owner of the “STUF’T POTATO” restaurant in Eureka. The sentencing follows Mr. Curtis’ guilty plea to felony elder abuse inflicting injury (Penal Code section 368) and admission of the special allegation that he inflicted great bodily injury on a victim over 70 years of age. Mr. Curtis received an additional 8-month sentence because he was on felony probation for vandalism when he committed the assault.

This outcome stems from Mr. Curtis’ actions on October 23, 2016. When the owner asked the defendant to leave her business he punched her, breaking her nose and knocking her to the ground. Three Humboldt Bay Fire personnel at the restaurant rushed to her aid and detained Mr. Curtis.