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NEWS RELEASE

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Following a court trial, Judge Timothy P. Cissna this morning found 32-year-old David Boardman to be a sexually violent predator under California Welfare and Institutions Code section 6600. Drs. William Damon and Christina O'Sullivan, the two experts called to testify by Deputy District Attorney (DDA) Stacey Eads, both concluded if Mr. Boardman were released into the community he would be likely to engage in sexually violent predatory behavior as a result of Pedophilic Disorder. DDA Eads also presented additional evidence, including details of Mr. Boardman's molestation of a 5-year-old girl after he lured her into his Eureka apartment on July 10, 2010.

Mr. Boardman has remained in custody since his arrest for the 2010 molestation. As a result of Judge Cissna's decision today, Mr. Boardman will be transported to Coalinga State Hospital, a locked facility primarily devoted to treating sexually violent predators. He would be released from that hospital only if his condition changes such that he no longer met the definition of a sexually violent predator or if a less-restrictive alternative that adequately protected the community were identified. Had Mr. Boardman not been classified as a sexually violent predator today, he would have been released from custody.