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Woodland Man Convicted of Beating Girlfriend

(Woodland, CA) – Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced today that on September 25, 2014, a Yolo County jury convicted Francisco Jaramillo, age 33, of Woodland, of beating his girlfriend. Over the course of two days in June, Jaramillo slapped, hit, and body slammed his girlfriend multiple times causing a fracture to her ribs. Woodland Memorial Hospital reported the crime after the victim went to the hospital after being injured. Although reluctant to talk to the police, the victim ultimately told the jury that this was not the first time Jaramillo had physically abused her. She did not call the police in the past because she both feared and loved Jaramillo.

During trial, the jury heard recorded calls from Jaramillo discouraging the victim from appearing in court to testify. The jury deliberated for a short time before returning a verdict of guilty on the domestic violence charge with an enhancement for committing great bodily injury during the assault.

In a separate court trial, the Honorable Judge Stephen Mock found that Jaramillo had also previously served time in State Prison which will result in an enhanced sentence.

Diane Ortiz, who prosecuted the case, praised the victim for her courage and resilience in facing her abuser on the stand.

According to Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig, "Domestic violence is a crime that continues to plague all of our communities. Unfortunately, it is often not reported by victims because of fear or shame. Cases such as this remind us that there is still much work to do in combatting these destructive acts of betrayal and violence."

Jaramillo now faces 10 years in State Prison and will be sentenced by the Judge Mock on October 24, 2014, in Department 3 of the Yolo County Superior Court.

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