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## **Woodland Man Convicted of Assault with a Deadly Weapon for Road Rage Incident**

(Woodland, CA) – May 11, 2023 – On May 9, 2023, 51-year-old Woodland man, Danny Alan Byrd, was found guilty of multiple counts of assault with a deadly weapon and assault with force likely to cause great bodily injury by a Yolo County jury for a 2021 road rage incident in Yolo County.

The jury heard evidence that at approximately 10 pm on June 26, 2021, four young people were driving from Vacaville to Woodland to attend a graduation party. While traveling on northbound Highway 113, they encountered Danny Alan Byrd. Byrd came up behind them very fast and started tailgating them. Byrd eventually rear-ended their vehicle twice and used the center median to get around them. By this time, one of the young passengers had called 911 and they were following Byrd's vehicle to report his license plate to the operator. Once they got a picture of Byrd's license plate, they pulled off the freeway at the East Street exit of Northbound Interstate 5. Byrd swerved off the freeway at the same time and sped toward them on the exit ramp. The driver applied his brakes abruptly but collided with the right rear side of Byrd's truck. Byrd's truck was stopped at an angle on the exit ramp, trapping the young people inside their vehicle between the guardrail and Byrd's vehicle. Byrd exited his vehicle and walked directly to the driver's window and smashed it using an object. The glass shatter cut two of the occupants, including the driver's eye. He now suffers from permanent vision loss. Byrd then fled the area quickly and was located by CHP when he ran a red light turning onto East Street. A truck driver travelling on Highway 113 saw the incident and followed Byrd to ensure that CHP knew he was trying to run the four young people off the road.

Sentencing is scheduled for July 12, 2023, in front of the Honorable Judge Tom Dyer. Byrd faces up to 10 years in prison on this case. He also has three pending narcotic sales cases for which he faces additional prison time.

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