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PRESS RELEASE

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Suspect Arrested for Attempted Murder in Patterson Shooting

Patterson, CA – Stanislaus County Sheriff Department investigated a shooting that occurred in the City of Patterson early this morning. Deputies went to the 500 #blk of Las Palmas Ave in regards to a female who had been shot at approximately 2:00am. The victim went to visit a friend at the residence. As she arrived and got out of the vehicle she immediately heard several gun shots. She was shot once in the foot and once in the stomach. She was able to flee the area in the vehicle she arrived in and taken to a local hospital. She underwent surgery and is currently in stable condition.

Ernesto Santana, 39 of Patterson, was arrested by Patterson Detectives for his involvement in the shooting. He was booked at the Stanislaus County Men's Jail for attempted murder. The case is still under investigation and detectives are following up on all leads.

Anyone with information in regards to this shooting is encouraged to call Stanislaus County Sheriff's Detective David Hickman at (209) 892-5071 / ext 242.

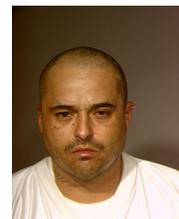
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