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DISTRICT ATTORNEY DEAN FLIPPO ANNOUNCES FILING DECISION REGARDING THE MURDER OF RYANN BUNNELL CROW

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean Flippo announced today that Jesse John Crow, age 33 of Prunedale, has been charged with the murder of Ryann Jennifer Crow, nee, Ryann Jennifer Bunnell, age 23, of Salinas.

Ms. Crow was reported missing to the Salinas Police Department on February 2 when she failed to report to work on February 1 and 2. She was last seen January 30 in the Prunedale area.

The Salinas Police Department arrested the suspect on February 16. Initial reports were provided to the District Attorney's Office on Thursday, February 18.

Since February 18, Chief Assistant District Attorney Terry Spitz, Assistant District Attorneys Stephanie Hulseley and Berk Brannon, Deputy District Attorney Jeannine Pacioni and District Attorney Flippo have been reviewing the voluminous reports. After many hours of intensive review and meetings it has been determined that there is sufficient evidence to warrant a charge of murder against Jesse Crow.

The Salinas Police Department, Department of Justice and the Monterey County Sheriff's Office are continuing their investigations. The District Attorney's Office remains in communication with Ryann's family.

It is anticipated that the defendant will appear for arraignment this date at 1:30p.m. in Department 1. Bail is currently set at approximately \$3,000,000.