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SEASIDE MAN FOUND GUILTY OF HIS SIXTH DUI OFFENSE

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean D. Flippo announced today that James Oscar Guadreau, age 39, a resident of Seaside, was found guilty by jury of driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a blood alcohol level of 0.08 percent or more, and driving on a suspended license. This was Guadreau's sixth DUI conviction. He had previously suffered two prior felony DUI convictions in 2006 and 2009. The case was heard by Monterey County Superior Court Judge Pamela L. Butler.

On March 29, 2015, a concerned citizen called 911 to report that he saw Guadreau driving a vehicle on its rims near Vallejo Street and Luzern Place in Seaside. The vehicle was smoking and there was an odor of burnt rubber. Officers from the Seaside Police Department arrived on scene and saw Guadreau standing by the vehicle. Guadreau smelled of alcohol, was slurring his speech, had bloodshot watery eyes, and had poor balance. Guadreau submitted to a chemical breath test which showed that his breath alcohol level was .18 percent and .16 percent, twice the legal limit.

The case was investigated by District Attorney Investigator Terri Edwards and by Officer Woodlief, Corporal Sakhrani and Sergeant Law from the Seaside Police Department.

Monterey County Superior Court Judge Pamela L. Butler will sentence Guadreau on September 2, 2016. Guadreau faces up to six years in state prison.

This case was presented by members of the District Attorney's Office specialized DUI Vertical Prosecution Unit. Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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