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## **PRUNEDALE MAN FOUND GUILTY OF HIT AND RUN DRIVING**

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean D. Flippo announced today that Kalvan Austin Kimple, age 25, a resident of Prunedale, was found guilty by jury of hit and run driving. The case was heard by Monterey County Superior Court Judge Mark E. Hood.

On September 1, 2016, Kimple backed his 1998 red Mitsubishi into a 2015 white Toyota truck, which was parked on Junipero Street in Carmel, causing damage to both vehicles. Kimple left the scene without providing any information or leaving a note as required by law. When the victim got home later that day, he noticed the damage to his truck, which included scratches, a small dent, and red paint transfer.

On September 2, 2016, the victim returned to the area where he had parked his car the previous day and located Kimple's red Mitsubishi which had matching damage to its back bumper. The victim contacted the Carmel Police Department regarding the incident and took the officer to the location of the accident. There, the officer found a piece of Kimple's brake light.

The investigating officer then utilized the Carmel Police Department's parking enforcement system data and determined that Kimple's vehicle was in fact parked in front of the victim's truck on September 1, 2016. Kimple was contacted a few days later, driving the red Mitsubishi and informed the officer that he was the only person who drives it.

Judge Hood sentenced the defendant to 60 days in county jail and three years of probation.

The case was investigated by Sergeant Ronald Pflieger of the Carmel Police Department.