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SALINAS MAN TO RECEIVE 2 YEARS FOR HOME INVASION

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean D. Flippo announced today that on December 13, 2017 Salinas resident Alexis Aguilar, age 21, entered a plea of no contest to residential burglary. Aguilar also admitted an enhancement for the victim being home during the crime. This conviction represents a violent felony and a strike offense under California's Three Strikes Law.

On November 22, 2017, at 5:00 am, Aguilar broke into the victim's home through a back window. The victim was asleep but woke up to the sounds of Aguilar ransacking the living room. The victim saw Aguilar standing in the living room holding a screwdriver. The victim, who is pregnant, grabbed her other young child and escaped out of her bedroom window. The victim ran down the street and alerted a Good Samaritan who called the police.

The victim was also able to contact a family member, who responded to the house and detained Aguilar until the police arrived. Aguilar was found to be in possession of pliers and screwdrivers, which are commonly used to burglarize homes.

Aguilar will receive a sentence of 2 years, to be served in the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. He is scheduled to be sentenced on January 12, 2018, before Monterey County Superior Court Judge Andrew Liu.

The case was investigated by the Salinas Police Department.