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SEASIDE MAN SENTENCED TO FOUR YEARS IN PRISON FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean D. Flippo announced today that Seaside resident Alfredo Vasquez, Jr., age 33, was sentenced on January 30, 2018 to four years in prison after violating the terms of his domestic violence and DUI probations.

On October 2, 2016, at approximately 7:42pm, Vasquez drove while under the influence of alcohol, was unable to navigate a right hand turn a block from his house, and ultimately crashed into a parked vehicle. A DUI investigation revealed his BAC to be 0.09% three hours after driving.

Approximately six weeks later, on November 24, 2016, Vasquez was intoxicated, accused his girlfriend of infidelity, and punched her repeatedly in the face. When officers contacted Doe the next day, she was still shaking and her eye was visibly swollen and discolored.

Vasquez was placed on formal probation on April 6, 2017, and ordered not to use or consume alcohol. Despite the court order, he nonetheless continued to drink and continued to put the community at risk.

On August 12, 2017, Vasquez was again driving while under the influence of alcohol and again caused a preventable traffic collision. At approximately 4:00pm, he rear-ended another car at the intersection of David Avenue and Lighthouse Avenue in Monterey. A subsequent DUI investigation revealed Vasquez's BAC to be 0.26%, more than three times over the legal limit.

On October 5, 2017, Monterey County Superior Court Judge Robert A. Burlison imposed a four year prison sentence but suspended execution of the sentence, thereby allowing Vasquez the opportunity to get treatment for his obvious substance abuse problem. Vasquez squandered the opportunity; within weeks he tested positive for alcohol and then stopped reporting to his probation officer as directed.

These cases were investigated by Seaside Police Officer Jose Silonzochilt, Salinas Police Officer Sergio Munguia, and Detective Michael Garcia with the Monterey Police Department.

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