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PRESS RELEASE

NAPA MAN CONVICTED OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CRIMES

Napa County District Attorney Allison Haley announced today:

On November 20, Anthony Frazier, age 41, was convicted of Kidnapping, Criminal Threats, and four counts of Corporal Injury of Spouse. One special allegation of great bodily injury was found true. The Honorable Mark Boessenecker presided over the seven day jury trial in Napa Superior Court.

The convictions stem from Mr. Frazier's abuse of his spouse over several different dates in 2018. The survivor endured multiple instances of abuse during her marriage to the defendant, including an occasion where he strangled her to the point of unconsciousness. She vigilantly documented her injuries with photographs and retained several text messages and emails from the defendant where he admitted to putting his hands on her. Despite not reporting initially, she found the courage to come forward to law enforcement after leaving the defendant and moving out of state to get away from him. At the time he committed these crimes, Mr. Frazier was being supervised on parole after serving a nine-year prison sentence for Forcible Rape and Assault with a Deadly Weapon.

The investigation in this case was handled by the American Canyon Police Department and the Napa Police Department, led by Domestic Violence Detective Bill Hernandez. Deputy District Attorney Kecia Lind prosecuted the case and commented that "It took an immense amount of courage and strength for her to come forward after several months had passed to tell her truth and make sure this man doesn't have the opportunity to continue to victimize women in his life."

If you or someone you know is in an abusive relationship, please call 911 or call NEWS for assistance in domestic violence or sexual abuse services at (707) 255-NEWS (6397).

Sentencing is scheduled for February 18, 2021 at 8:30 am in Department 4.

Any questions in case may be directed to Assistant District Attorney Paul Gero.