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**RE: *People v. Walter Morales - Case No. 19CR08880***

Santa Barbara County District Attorney Joyce E. Dudley announced today that a felony complaint has been filed against Walter Morales Jr., 26, of Lompoc, California. Mr. Morales is charged with Murder in violation of Penal Code section 187, a Special Allegation of Street Terrorism in violation of Penal Code section 186.22(b)(1), and Personal Use of a Firearm, GBI- Gang Case pursuant to Penal Code Section 12022.53(d) and (e)(1) in connection with the September 8, 2019, shooting that resulted in the death of Marlon Brumfield, 22, of Lompoc. Co-defendant Francisco Gutierrez-Ortega, 25, of Santa Maria, California, was previously charged in a felony complaint with the murder of Mr. Brumfield in violation of Penal Code section 187 and a Special Allegation of Street Terrorism in violation of Penal Code section 186.22(b)(1).

Mr. Morales will appear in Department 9 of the Santa Maria Superior Court for arraignment on the above charges on July 21, 2020.

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