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Santa Paula Resident Pleads Guilty to Voluntary Manslaughter

VENTURA, *California* – District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that Jahshua Jarrett (DOB 5/14/98), of Santa Paula, pled guilty to one count of voluntary manslaughter.

On July 14, 2019, Jarrett killed his 26-year-old girlfriend when she tried to wrestle a gun away from him while he was attempting suicide. Jarrett was arrested shortly after the crime by officers from the Santa Paula Police Department.

Sentencing will take place on September 23, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. in courtroom 47 of the Ventura County Superior Court. Jarrett faces a maximum of 11 years in state prison. Jarrett remains in custody at the Ventura County Jail.

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