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Oxnard Gang Member Pleads Guilty to Murder

VENTURA, California – District Attorney Gregory D. Totten announced today that Alexis Ramirez (DOB 10/23/89), of Oxnard, pled guilty to second-degree murder with the use of a knife and for the benefit of a criminal street gang for the for the January 17, 2009, killing of Alfredo Vargas, also of Oxnard.

On the night of January 17, 2009, Ramirez and a group of fellow gang members armed themselves with knives and guns and attacked a party they mistakenly believed to be thrown by a rival gang in Oxnard. In fact, the party was for a little girl's first birthday. Undeterred by the presence of children, Ramirez and his cohorts attacked the adult partygoers and stabbed multiple victims, including Alfredo Vargas, who died from his wounds. In 2013, after an extensive investigation by the Oxnard Police Department, Ramirez and several of his fellow perpetrators were arrested and charged for their roles in the attack.

Ramirez will be sentenced on August 5, 2020, at 1:30 p.m. in courtroom 14 of the Ventura County Superior Court. It is expected he will be sentenced to sixteen years to life in prison.

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