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Simi Valley Man Pleads Guilty to Automobile Insurance Fraud

VENTURA, California – District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that Timothy Hoag (DOB 12/28/80), of Simi Valley, pled guilty to one count of felony automobile insurance fraud.

On December 19, 2017, Hoag was in an automobile accident in Simi Valley. Hoag subsequently reported to the Simi Valley Police Department (SVPD) and Progressive Insurance Company (Progressive) that someone had stolen his truck and crashed the vehicle. Investigation by the SVPD, Progressive, and the District Attorney’s Office Auto Insurance Fraud Unit revealed that Hoag lied about his truck being stolen and that he was driving it when the accident occurred.

Hoag is scheduled to be sentenced on May 25, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in courtroom 12 of the Ventura County Superior Court. Felony automobile insurance fraud is punishable by up to five years in jail and a fine up to \$50,000, or double the amount of fraud, whichever is greater.

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