



COUNTY OF FRESNO

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CODY HIGH SENTENCED TO ANIMAL CRUELTY

On May 25, 2016, Cody High was sentenced to 365 days in jail for abusing a cat.

High was convicted of a felony charge of animal cruelty after Clovis Police officers found an orange tabby cat in his backpack tied up with his mouth and nose taped closed in January of 2016. The cat was rushed to veterinary emergency services and survived.

High will also be on three (3) years of formal felony probation and was ordered to undergo mandatory counseling. He also cannot own, possess, or reside with animals during probation and must pay \$1,272.96 to the Clovis Animal Shelter for reimbursement of veterinary costs.

As a convicted felon of animal cruelty, California law also imposes a statutory prohibition on High from owning, possessing, having custody of or residing with animals for a 10-year period following his conviction.

The case was prosecuted by the District Attorney's "Animal Cruelty Unit."

The Media may contact Administrative Assistant Leslie Gillespie at (559) 600-4442 with questions.

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