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RE: People v. Victor Angel Hernandez

Santa Barbara County District Attorney Joyce E. Dudley announced today that charges have been filed against Victor Angel Hernandez, a 23-year-old resident of Santa Barbara, California. Mr. Hernandez is charged with three felony counts and two misdemeanor counts, including Arson of an Inhabited Structure, Attempted Arson and Reckless Burning, for various incidents in and around the Loma Alta Drive area. Mr. Hernandez is alleged to have started the Loma Fire, which burned over seven acres and damaged several structures.

Mr. Hernandez was arraigned in Department 8 today on the felony complaint, entered not guilty pleas to all charges, and denied all special allegations. The case is currently set for preliminary hearing in Santa Barbara Superior Court at 8:30 a.m. on June 2, 2021 in Department 6.

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