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### NEWS RELEASE

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## **Lynette Freeman Sentenced to Prison for Abuse Causing Great Bodily Injury to Infant**

Today, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Lynette Gay Freeman (53, of Clovis) was sentenced to 12 years in prison for child abuse and personally inflicting great bodily injury to her 9-month-old great-nephew. On September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Freeman pled guilty to child abuse. Freeman's sentence was handed down by the Honorable Carlos Cabrera in Department 20 of the Fresno Superior Court.

Freeman was arrested by the Clovis Police Department and booked into Fresno County Jail on October 20, 2016, after admitting to officers that while caring for the victim, she grabbed him, violently jerked him back and then threw him onto the ground, which caused a traumatic brain injury. The victim was rushed to Clovis Community Medical Center after he was found unresponsive by emergency medical services. After being evaluated by their medical team, the victim was then transported to Valley Children's Hospital and placed in the Intensive Care Unit to be treated for his injuries.

The Fresno County District Attorney's Office would like to thank the Clovis Police Department, especially retired Detective Kristjan Herrick, for their dedication to this case.

This case was successfully prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Adam Christopherson with our Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Unit. Mr. Christopherson was assisted by District Attorney Senior Investigator Janie Ortiz and Jacob Rios from the Fresno County District Attorney's Bureau of Investigations.

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