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*****PRESS RELEASE*****

Orland, California – On 4/26/2026 at approximately 2145 hours, Orland Police Officers received a tip that Rafael Ruvalcaba, 36 of Orland, was at an apartment in the 800 block of Newport Avenue. Officers were aware that Ruvalcaba had an active felony warrant for homicide from Tehama County. Officers responded with the assistance of the Glenn County Sheriff's Office and the California Highway Patrol and secured a perimeter around the apartment.

Officers were able to confirm Ruvalcaba's presence at the apartment and began attempts to order him from the apartment, but they were unsuccessful. Due to the nature of the underlying charges of the arrest warrant, Officers requested assistance from the Tehama County Sheriff's Office SWAT team.

The Tehama County Sheriff's Office SWAT team responded and continued attempts to make contact with Ruvalcaba. During those efforts, they were able to make verbal contact with Ruvalcaba and gave him further instructions to exit the apartment. Ruvalcaba exited the apartment and was taken into custody without further incident at approximately 0519 hours.

Ruvalcaba was transported and booked into the Tehama County Jail.