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On Thursday, April 15, 2010 Officers from the Redding Police Department conducted a "shoulder tap" operation at numerous convenience and liquor stores within the City of Redding. In this type of operation minors approach patrons and ask them to purchase an alcoholic beverage. The minors advise the patrons that they are under the age of twenty one years.

Officers visited seven establishments licensed to sell alcoholic beverages where the minors contacted approximately twenty subjects. At three of the businesses the minors were asked to leave by management. On two occasions patrons purchased alcoholic beverages for the minors. Officers arrested Theodore Morris, 28 years of Redding and Tamara Hartman 42 years of Redding for furnishing alcohol to a minor. Both subjects were released on their written promise to appear.

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