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STATE OF MONTANA,	)	Cause No. DC-56-2024-0001028
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	Yellowstone County District Court
	)	
-vs-	)	Montana Thirteenth Judicial District
	)	
BOBBI RAY ZAVALA, SR.,	)	<b>DECISION</b>
	)	
Defendant.	)	

On June 10, 2025, the Defendant was sentenced in Count I: Four (4) years commitment to the Department of Corrections under §46-18-201, MCA, with two (2) years suspended for the offense of Theft of a Light Vehicle, a Felony, in violation of §§45-6-301(1)(c) and 45-6-301(7)(e), MCA. The Defendant was given credit for time spent in pre-trial incarceration as follows: December 2, 2024 through June 10, 2025.

On November 6, 2025, the Defendant's Application for review of that sentence came on for hearing by Zoom videoconference before the Sentence Review Division of the Montana Supreme Court (hereafter "the Division"). The Defendant appeared from the Billings Prerelease Center and was represented by Lance Lundvall, Defense Counsel. The State was not represented. The Defendant gave a statement.

Before hearing the Application, the Defendant was advised that the Division has the authority not only to reduce the sentence or affirm it but also increase it. The Defendant was further advised that there is no appeal from a decision of the Division. The Defendant acknowledged that he understood this and stated that he wished to proceed.

Rule 12, Rules of the Sentence Review Division of the Supreme Court of Montana, provides that, "The sentence imposed by the District Court is presumed correct. The sentence shall not be reduced or increased unless it is clearly inadequate or clearly excessive." (Section 46-18-904(3), MCA).

The Division finds that the reasons advanced for modification are insufficient to hold that the sentence imposed by the District Court is clearly inadequate or clearly excessive.

Therefore, it is the unanimous decision of the Division that the sentence is AFFIRMED.

DATED this 19 day of November, 2025.

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