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Worst Case of Neglect Seen by Officials

South Gate Man Arrested and Arraigned on Felony Animal Cruelty Charges

South Gate, Calif Thirty-seven-year-old Jorge Gonzalez Sr. was arraigned in Downey Superior Court yesterday afternoon on charges of severe animal neglect and cruelty. The charges allege Gonzalez starved his 2 year-old German Shepherd dog named "Oso" so severely that he could not stand or walk, and was half his normal body weight.



"This poor dog's skin was peeling off and I could see every bone in his body," says Sgt. Charles Miller, SEAACA's Investigation Department Supervisor. The dog had to be humanely euthanized due to the severity of his condition.

Gonzalez Sr. is scheduled to be return to Downey Superior Court for his Preliminary Hearing on May 19th, 2009.

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