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**Man Pleads to “Doggie Door” Burglary**

An 18-year-old Pasadena man pleaded no contest today for the alleged burglary of a home five days before Christmas Day 2013, the Los Angeles County District Attorney’s Office announced.

Alexander Canela entered his plea to one count of first-degree residential burglary in Department J of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Pasadena Branch.

He was sentenced to two years in state prison and is due back before Judge Elaine Lu for a restitution hearing on July 17.

Prosecutors said that on Dec. 20, 2013, Canela was involved in a burglary at a house in the 900 block of North Madison Avenue in Pasadena. Several persons entered the home through a doggie door and stole \$23,000 worth of property, prosecutors added.

The items stolen included TVs, computers, tablets, sports memorabilia, jewelry, World War II medals, and the cremated remains of the resident's parents.

The Pasadena Police Department investigated the case.

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