Mama bear rescues cub from South Tahoe garage

By CBS-13

A South Lake Tahoe homeowner captured incredible video of a bear cub trapped inside her garage and the momma bear doing whatever it took to rescue her baby.

It's impossible to stop watching the video as the baby bear hangs on to garage door tracks, flings its legs around trying to find solid ground, sees the ladder, probably the same one it used to get up there.

One try. Two tries. And it sticks. Down the ladder goes baby into mama's massive yet loving arms.

All of it was captured by Judy Coover.

"I had one foot in the door here, so I had an easy exit plan," she told CBS13 on Monday. "I was tempted to go and pick him up, but I thought 'No, where there's a baby bear there's a mama bear."

Yes, a 500- to 600-pound mama just a few feet away trying to open the garage.

"It lifted a foot off the ground, then slammed back shut, lifted up, slammed back shut," Judy said.

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