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PRESS RELEASE

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Convicted Sex Offender Receives Life Term

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Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that convicted sex offender Carlos Fernandez Barragan, age 36, of Modesto, was sentenced on February 19, 2020 to 25 years-to-life in state prison. Deputy District Attorney Erin Schwartz prosecuted the case for the People.

In May of 2016, victim Jane Doe disclosed to others that Barragan, a family member, had been sexually touching her and having sexual intercourse with her since the summer of 2015 when she was just 10 years old. When Modesto Police detectives interviewed Barragan, he would only admit to having had sexual intercourse with the minor victim on two separate occasions. Barragan would not accept responsibility for his actions and blamed it on having an alcohol addiction.

On November 5, 2019, Barragan pled no contest to violating Penal Code section 288.7(a), sexual acts with a child 10 years or younger, and Penal Code section 288(a), lewd and lascivious acts upon a child. He also waived two years of custody credits and agreed to be sentenced to serve 25 years-to-life in state prison.

If Barragan is ever released from custody, he will remain on supervised parole and register yearly with local law enforcement as a sex offender for the rest of his life.

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