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Santa Paula Man Sentenced to Prison for Child Molestation

VENTURA, Calif. – Ventura County District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that Jaime Torres (DOB 05/25/84), of Santa Paula, was sentenced to 29 years to life in state prison. Torres was previously convicted by a jury on June 24, 2026, of continuous sexual abuse, aggravated sexual assault of a child, and lewd acts upon a child. All aggravating factors were found true, which included the victim being particularly vulnerable and Torres taking advantage of a position of trust.

Senior Deputy District Attorney Ben Moreno, a member of the Ventura County District Attorney's Office Sexual Assault Unit, prosecuted the case.

"This defendant was entrusted with protecting a child but instead betrayed that trust in the most unconscionable way," Mr. Moreno said. "Today's sentence is a just consequence for that betrayal. I applaud the victim for the extraordinary courage and strength she has shown throughout this process, and I hope this sentence brings her the justice and closure she so profoundly deserves."

Between 2012 and 2018, Torres continuously molested the female victim who was under the age of 14. The victim reported the abuse in 2019 to a trusted family member. Torres was known to the victim, and the abuse happened at homes the two shared in Oxnard and Santa Paula.

Case: 2020033595

Defendant Information:

Jaime Torres (DOB 05/25/84)
Santa Paula

Charges convicted of:

- PC 288.5 – Continuous sexual abuse
- PC 269(a)(1) – Aggravated sexual assault of a child
- PC 288(c)(1) – Lewd act upon a child

Special allegations found true:

- CRC 4.421(a)(3) – Victim was vulnerable
- CRC 4.421(a)(11) – The defendant took advantage of a position of trust

