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## Oxnard Man Receives Life Sentence for Lewd Acts on a Child Under 14

VENTURA, California – District Attorney Gregory D. Totten announced today that on December 14, 2020, Judge Michelle Castillo sentenced Anthony Robert Ultreras (DOB 02/27/81), of Oxnard, to a determinate term of 14 years 8 months to life in state prison, to be followed by an indeterminate term of 50 years to life. Ultreras had been convicted by a jury of lewd acts on a child under 14 and child molesting with a prior. Ultreras had previously pled guilty to a charge of possession of child pornography stemming from the same incident. He also admitted a prior conviction from 2011 for lewd acts on a child under 14.

On March 4, 2020, Ultreras approached a 13-year-old girl on a public bus in the city of Ventura. He asked for her phone number, suggested they engage in oral sex and intercourse, and followed her off the bus to her home. Before she entered her home, he grabbed her hands, asked for a kiss, and felt her hands and arms, reaching under her clothing. The victim pulled away and retreated into her home.

The Ventura Police Department was notified and began an investigation which ultimately identified Ultreras as the perpetrator. He was arrested and forensic examination of his phone discovered evidence of child pornography featuring young girls similar in age to the victim.

This case was prosecuted by the District Attorney's Office Sexual Assault and Family Protection Unit.

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