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Ventura Man Sentenced to 26 Years Prison for Child Molestation

VENTURA, California – District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that Tiburcio Emeterio Martinez (DOB 08/11/76), of Ventura, was sentenced by Judge Anthony Sabo to 26 years prison for child molestation, incest, and other sex crimes perpetrated against his minor child.

In September 2020, the Ventura Police Department was alerted to possible sexual assault crimes by Martinez against his biological child, who was age 14 at the time. Investigation confirmed that Martinez had molested the victim repeatedly for nearly three years. The crimes included vaginal intercourse, oral copulation, and sexual penetration. The abuse began when the victim was 11 to 12 years old and continued through September 20, 2020. Martinez was arrested on September 23, 2020.

On May 19, 2022, a jury convicted Martinez of 11 sexually motivated crimes against the victim, including continuous sexual abuse of a child under 14, lewd and lascivious acts with a child, incest, and unlawful sexual intercourse.

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