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PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

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Re: Armando Luera Romayor
Felony sexual abuse conviction

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Armando Luera Romayor, age 67, of Turlock, has been convicted of felony child sexual abuse. Deputy District Attorney Sameer Shukla prosecuted the case on behalf of the People.

In 2016, Romayor, a sex registrant, sexually harassed and touched a 12-year old minor relative who was living with him at the time in Turlock. The victim eventually told her mother about his repeated lewd conduct and she contacted police.

On November 29, 2018, Romayor entered a no contest plea before Judge Ricardo Cordova to two counts involving child sexual abuse. He also admitted having a prior conviction for child sexual abuse in 1991 out of Santa Clara County which counts as a "strike" under California's "Three Strikes" law.

Romayor remains in custody pending sentencing and victim impact statements which are currently set for January 7, 2019, before Judge Rick Distaso. At that time, Romayor will be sentenced to serve a term of 18 years and 8 months in state prison. Due to the nature of his felony convictions, he should be required to serve at least 85% of his sentence in actual prison custody.

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