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Fernando Lugo-Gongora, 33, receives 25 year prison sentence pursuant to Oregon's Jessica's Law

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced that 33-year-old Fernando Lugo-Gongora received a 25 year prison sentence, pursuant to Jessica's Law, after he pleaded guilty to committing multiple sex crimes against three female children in Multnomah County.

Jessica's Law went into effect in 2006 and requires a 25 year mandatory minimum sentence for adults convicted of raping, sodomizing or sexually penetrating a child younger than 12 years old.

On May 8, 2019, Lugo-Gongora pleaded guilty to one count of rape in the first degree, three counts of sexual abuse in the first degree and one count of sodomy in the first degree.

By pleading guilty, Lugo-Gongora admitted that he raped and sexually abused a child between 2013 and 2014 when the child was under the age of 12; that he sexually abused a second child by touching an intimate part of her body during the same time period when she was under the age of 14; and that he sexually abused a third child by touching an intimate part of her body during the same time period as the first two victims when she was under the age of 14.

One of the victims attended the change of plea and sentencing hearing with her family "so that she can see that this person, who has caused so much harm, will not be released until he completes his sentence," according to an impact statement read to the court by the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office.

The statement from the family said the victim can now have closure and doesn't have to fear Lugo-Gongora because "she is now safe."

This investigation started in April 2015 when one of the victim's disclosed to her doctor that she had been sexually abused by Lugo-Gongora while at his residence playing hide and seek with a friend. During the investigation, law enforcement learned that two other friends reported similar allegations of abuse.

According to court documents, on October 30, 2018, Lugo-Gongora appeared in Washington County Circuit Court and pleaded guilty to three counts of sexual abuse in the first degree and one count of sexual abuse in the third degree for sexually abusing four other children between 2014 and 2016.

Lugo-Gongora received a 12.5 year prison sentence in the Washington County case.

The 25 year prison sentence that was handed down in Multnomah County will run concurrently with the sentence imposed in the Washington County case. Upon his release, Lugo-Gongora will be on lifetime post-prison supervision.

For additional details on the Washington County case, please contact the Washington County District Attorney's Office Public Information Officer at (503) 846-8671.

The Multnomah County District Attorney's Office recognizes the work of the Portland Police Bureau and Beaverton Police Department for their dedicated efforts on this complex investigation.

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