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**CESAR LUJANO-ROSALES CONVICTED ON MULTIPLE COUNTS IN CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE CASE**

HILLSBORO, Ore.- On February 10, 2021, Judge Andrew Erwin found 44-year-old Cesar Lujano-Rosales guilty of two counts of first-degree sodomy and one count of first-degree sexual abuse in a bench trial. Deputy District Attorney Marie Atwood prosecuted the case against the defendant.

In June of 2020, neighbors of the then 17-year-old victim became concerned when they spotted a person climbing out of the victim's bedroom window. Witnesses reported the person was dressed as a woman in a skirt and wig but was clearly a man. They alerted the victim's mother who notified law enforcement.

The Washington County Sheriff's Office immediately launched an investigation. They learned the victim was developmentally disabled. The victim told his mother that the man initially approached him outside his apartment complex and struck up a friendship. The defendant eventually began sending the victim sexually explicit messages and asked the victim for money. Mr. Lujano-Rosales arranged a meeting with the victim leading to the sexual abuse.

Investigators were able to identify the defendant, age 43 at the time, as a person of interest in the case. When they confronted him at his apartment, they found the skirt and wig he used in the attack. The defendant initially denied having sexual contact with the victim but eventually admitted to the sexual contact.

The Washington County District Attorney's Office wishes to acknowledge the work of Deputy Meg Just and Sergeant Robert Rookhuyzen of the Washington County Sheriff's Office on this case. CARES Northwest also aided in this investigation, as did personnel from the Beaverton School District.

A sentencing hearing is scheduled for March 31, 2021. The defendant will remain in custody until that time.