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Subject: Fullerton Police Arrest Suspect found in Texas after Sexually Assaulting a Child in Fullerton—Seeking other victims

Date: October 26th, 2017

On Wednesday, October 11th, 2017, the Fullerton Police Department was contacted regarding a possible child molestation case involving a female victim under the age of 14-years-old. Fullerton PD Detectives immediately began investigating the allegations and they determined that the suspect, Gabriel Contreras Andrade (51, Fullerton), had committed lewd acts with a child under the age of 14 years-old, in violation of PC 288(a).

After committing the crimes in Fullerton, Andrade changed his cell phone number and then fled the state of California. Fullerton PD Detectives were able to locate him in the state of Texas, and with the assistance of the Texas Highway Patrol, Andrade was placed under arrest in Amarillo, Texas on an outstanding warrant for PC 288(a) on October 12th, 2017.

On October 24th, 2017, Fullerton PD Detectives flew to Amarillo, Texas and extradited Andrade back to California where he was booked into the Fullerton City Jail on his outstanding charges.

Fullerton Police Detectives strongly believe there may be other children who have been victimized by Andrade in the past, and we ask anyone who may have had any inappropriate contact with Andrade to have the courage to come forward and speak with Detectives.

This is an ongoing investigation, and the Fullerton Department encourages anyone with information regarding Andrade’s behavior and interactions with children to contact Family Crimes Sergeant John Ema at (714) 738-6580 or Family Crimes Detective Dan Diaz at (714) 738-6763. Those wishing to provide information anonymously can call Orange County Crime Stoppers at 1(855) TIP-OCCS or go to www.p3tips.com.

Editor’s Note: Photo of Suspect Andrade Attached