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## **KING CITY MAN ADMITS CHILD MOLESTATION CHARGES**

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean D. Flippo announced today that on June 24, 2016, Fermin Vera-Lopez, age 42, resident of King City, pled guilty to charges of child molestation upon two different victims. Vera-Lopez will be sentenced to state prison for 38 years.

On April 8, 2015, school authorities were notified that Jane Doe 1, age 13, had been molested by Vera-Lopez repeatedly. After further investigation, it was discovered that fourteen years earlier, Vera-Lopez had molested Jane Doe 2 when she was 10 years of age.

The case is presided over by Monterey County Superior Court Judge Pamela L. Butler. Sentencing is set for August 12, 2016. Vera-Lopez will be required to register as a sex offender for life.

This case was investigated by King City Police Department Officers Steve Orozco, Jose Perez, and Ryan Kenedy. Monterey County District Attorney Investigators Christina Gunter and Jorge Ramirez.