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**NEWS RELEASE
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Father Arrested for Molestation of His Children, Used False Name to Live With Family

MODESTO, CA- Sheriff's Detectives were called to Bret Harte Elementary School for a student who was reporting being molested by her father. The student reported the incident to a school staff member who called the Sheriff's department. Detectives interviewed the children and determined there where 2 victims the father molested. Detectives later contacted the father, Juan Gutierrez LOPEZ, and interviewed him at the Sheriff's Department. After the interview of LOPEZ, detectives arrested and booked LOPEZ into the Stanislaus County Jail.

During the investigation, detectives discovered that LOPEZ was living with his family using the alias of Cesar MURILLO-GUIZAR for the past 5-years. LOPEZ had a felony drug warrant issued for him in 2003 from Santa Clara County. At that time LOPEZ left the country to Mexico, obtained a fake ID with the alias of MURILLO-GUIZAR, and returned to Modesto in 2006 to live with his family.

LOPEZ is currently booked at the Stanislaus County Men's Jail and being charged with: lewd and lascivious acts with a child under 14 (288(A) PC), oral copulation with a victim under 14 (288A(C) PC) and the warrant from Santa Clara County (11383(C) H&S).

Detectives are asking anyone with information about this case to contact Detective Chad Bankston at (209) 525-7050. Callers can also leave an anonymous tip by calling Crime Stoppers at (209) 521-4636. Tipsters can also e-mail tips at <http://www.modestopolice.com/CrimeStoppers>, or text them to CRIMES (274637) by typing "Tip704" plus the message and be eligible for a cash reward.

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