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Incident Date and Time: January 2015 through January 2018

Location: Multiple locations throughout San Mateo County

Type of Crime/Incident: **PC 288(a) – Lewd acts with a minor under 14 years old**
PC 207(b) – Kidnapping and intent to commit lewd act

Suspects: Jose Alejandro Ventura, 54 Years Old
(East Palo Alto resident)

Summary:

San Mateo County Sheriff's Office detectives initiated an investigation in October 2022 after receiving a report of a sexual assault of a minor. During the investigation, detectives identified the suspect as **Jose Alejandro Ventura** having sexually assaulted a juvenile in multiple locations throughout San Mateo County. As the investigation continued, detectives learned Ventura would commit these acts within a locked vehicle where the victim could not escape.

On October 26, 2022, Sheriff's Office detectives contacted Ventura within the City of East Palo Alto. Detectives arrested Ventura for the above charges and later booked him into the Maguire Correctional facility.

Due to Ventura facing multiple allegations of sexual assault, there is concern for additional unknown victims who have not come forward yet. Anyone with information about this crime is encouraged to contact Detective C. Barker (650.363.4050 / cbarker@smcgov.org) or Detective R. Cousenes (650.363.4066 / rcousenes@smcgov.org).

Alternatively, you may also remain anonymous by calling the **San Mateo County Sheriff's Office Anonymous Tip Line at 1-800-547-2700.**

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Suspect – Jose Alejandro Ventura

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