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### **ELGIN MAN GUILTY OF HAVING SEX WITH MINOR GIRLS**

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An Elgin man will head to prison after pleading guilty to have sexual contact with two minor girls he knew.

Sergio Cortes, 26 (d.o.b. 1-11-1986), of the 300 block of North Spring Street, Elgin, today agreed to a sentence of 28 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections in exchange for a guilty plea to one count of predatory criminal sexual assault, a Class X felony, and one count of aggravated criminal sexual abuse, a Class 2 felony.

Circuit Judge John A. Barsanti accepted the plea.

Between Oct. 11, 2009, and Dec. 21, 2010, Cortes had sexual contact with a young girl he knew who was younger than 13 years old at the time.

Between Oct. 1, 2010, and Dec. 23, 2010, Cortes had sexual contact with a young girl he knew who was younger than 18 years old at the time.

The sentence is 22 years for the Class X felony and six years for the Class 2 felony. The terms are to be served consecutively. In addition, Cortes must register for life in accordance with the Illinois Sex Offender Registration Act.

Based on Illinois law, Cortes must serve at least 85 percent of the Class X sentence, and he is eligible for day-for-day sentencing on the Class 2 sentence. Cortes was given credit for 721 days served in the Kane County jail.

The case was prosecuted by Kane County Assistant State's Attorney Debra Bree, who is assigned to the Kane County Child Advocacy Center.