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WEST DUNDEE MAN GETS 5 YEARS IN PRISON FOR CHILD SEX ABUSE

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51-year-old **Gerardo Molina** today agreed to a sentence of 5 years' imprisonment in the Illinois Department of Corrections in exchange for a guilty plea to the offense of aggravated criminal sexual abuse, Class 2 felony.

Kane County Circuit Judge Donald M. Tegeler, Jr., accepted the plea.

Kane County Assistant State's Attorney Lori Schmidt stated in court that multiple times between 2008 and 2014 Molina sexually abused the victim, whom he knew. The victim was younger than 13 years old.

In addition to the prison term, Molina must register for life as a sexual offender in accordance with the Illinois Sexual Offender Registration Act.

In accordance with Illinois law, Molina is eligible for day-for-day sentencing. Molina receives credit for 15 days served in the Kane County jail. Name had been free on \$10,000 bond.

Kane County State's Attorney Joe McMahan said:

"This survivor was a young child when the abuse started. The case was resolved many years later when, as a teenager, she confided in a relative, who encouraged her to make a report. Oftentimes cases of child sexual abuse go unreported for years until the survivor finds the strength to speak out. I hope other survivors know that even though it might take them years feel comfortable to speak up about their abuse, we will always listen. My thanks to ASA Schmidt, Investigator Beth Mullarkey and the Kane County Child Advocacy Center for their work on this case."

Gerardo Molina: Age 51 (d.o.b. 1-21-1969), of the 500 block of Eichler Drive, West Dundee, Illinois. Case No. 19CF1681.