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## **MEDIA RELEASE – JUNE 17, 2019**

### **FLEMINGTON MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO SEX CRIMES**

Acting Hunterdon County Prosecutor Michael J. Williams announced the guilty plea of Carlos M. Hernandez-Escobar, age 31, of Flemington, NJ.

According to Acting Prosecutor Williams, “Today Mr. Hernandez-Escobar appeared before the Honorable Angela F. Borkowski, J.S.C., and entered a guilty plea to 3<sup>rd</sup> degree endangering the welfare of a child. In court he admitted to engaging in sexual contact with that child.”

Mr. Hernandez-Escobar was arrested on August 18, 2017, after an investigation by detectives from the Hunterdon County Prosecutor’s Office’s Special Victims Unit, the Flemington Borough Police Department, and the Raritan Township Police Department revealed that he had had sexual contact with a juvenile victim when the victim was under the age of 13. These incidents occurred in both Raritan Township and Flemington Borough in 2015. Mr. Hernandez-Escobar was later indicted by a Hunterdon County Grand Jury on two counts of 2<sup>nd</sup> degree sexual assault and two counts of 3<sup>rd</sup> degree endangering the welfare of a child.

Mr. Hernandez-Escobar must undergo a psychosexual evaluation prior to sentencing. On August 9, 2019, he will appear in Hunterdon County Superior Court for sentencing and will face up to 5 years in state prison.

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