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News Release

Leroy D. Baca, Sheriff

On August 30, 2012, a Parks Bureau Deputy from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department was dispatched to meet with an Industry Sheriff's Deputy who was detaining a possible suspect in an Annoying a Child case. The Industry Deputy had been flagged down earlier by a Parks and Recreation employee who said a possible suspect was at the park. The deputies arrived at Bassett Park and arrested Jorge Rodriguez a male 24 years old who is a resident of Los Angeles for Annoying a Child.

On August 23, 2012, Suspect Rodriguez approached the victim, a 12 year old female in Bassett Park. He asked if she was a virgin and if she wanted to have sex with him. He repeatedly asked her if she wanted to have sex with him. The victim subsequently took the opportunity to get away. The suspect fled the area prior to the deputies arriving at the park. The victim later reported the incident to school staff who are mandated reporters and who in turn informed the Sheriff's Department. Deputy's from Parks Bureau furnished employees at Bassett Park a description of the suspect.

Suspect Rodriguez was booked at Industry Sheriff's Station for Annoying a Child and Public Intoxication. A Watch Commander's Hold was placed.

The Parks Bureau of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department polices 177 county parks, golf courses and special event venues throughout Los Angeles County. www.Parks.lasd.org

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