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AURORA MAN GETS 68-YEAR PRISON SENTENCE FOR FIVE YEARS OF CHILD SEX CRIMES

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An Aurora man will likely spend the rest of his life in prison for sexually assaulting a child he knew over five years.

A Kane County judge on Thursday, Sept. 6, 2018, sentenced 30-year-old **Arturo Sanchez** to 68 years imprisonment in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

A Kane County jury on June 6, 2018, convicted Sanchez of predatory criminal sexual assault, Class X felony, 6 counts criminal sexual assault, Class 1 felony, and 6 counts aggravated criminal sexual abuse, Class 2 felony.

Kane County Assistant State's Attorneys Lori Schmidt and Matthew Rodgers presented evidence during the 3-day trial that between April 2011 and February 2016, Sanchez sexually assaulted and sexually abused two victims.

Sanchez had faced a minimum prison sentence of 33 years.

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

According to Illinois law, Sanchez receives credit for 940 days served in the Kane County jail, where he has been held since his arrest.

"The wounds from long periods of sexual abuse often fester unseen for years, even lifetimes. It's so important to report, investigate and prosecute these cases so the victims understand that someone is in their corner, that they're not alone. This helps to give them the strength to find a place of safety in their lives. These victims' strength helped us to prove that Mr. Sanchez is a sexual predator who belongs in prison where he can no longer harm innocent children. Thanks to ASAs Lori Schmidt and Matt Rodgers, to the Aurora Police Department, and to the investigators and advocates at the Kane County Child Advocacy Center who worked hard to bring this defendant to justice," said Kane County Assistant State's Attorney Debra Bree, the executive director of the Kane County Child Advocacy Center.

Arturo Sanchez: Age 30 (d.o.b. 5-9-1988), of the 600 block of Gates Avenue, Aurora