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PRESS RELEASE  
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**HORACE RICHARD ZARATE OF MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE PLEADS GUILTY TO  
ONE COUNT OF AGGRAVATED FELONIOUS SEXUAL ASSAULT AND FOUR COUNTS OF FELONIOUS  
SEXUAL ASSAULT**

Hillsborough County Attorney Dennis G. Hogan announces that on Wednesday, June, 22, 2011, **HORACE RICHARD ZARATE**, age 23 of Manchester, pled guilty of **one count of Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault, an enhanced Class A Felony and Four counts of Felonious Sexual Assault, enhanced Class B Felonies** before Honorable David A. Garfunkel in Hillsborough County Superior Court (Northern District). The crimes occurred in Manchester during two separate time periods, specifically between June 1, 2001 and September 13, 2004 and June 1, 2005 and September 13, 2005.

The Defendant plead guilty to forcibly sexually assaulting a child under the age of 13 years in 2004 by causing her to perform fellatio upon him for his own sexual gratification. During the sentencing hearing, the State showed that during the 2004 aggravated sexual assault and a subsequent 2005 sexual assault, the Defendant forcibly caused a child to both perform sexual acts upon him for his own gratification and forcibly engaged in sexual contact upon the child.

After hearing argument from defense counsel and the State, the Honorable Judge David A. Garfunkel sentenced **HORACE RICHARD ZARATE** to serve 7 ½ to 15 years at the New Hampshire State Prison, stand committed, followed by an additional suspended sentence of 7 ½ to 15 years after he is released. The Defendant will also have to undergo the sexual offender program at the Prison, refrain from having any unsupervised contact with children under the age of 18 years, and will be on supervised release for life.

Assistant Hillsborough County Attorney *Kathleen A. Broderick* represented the State in the prosecution.

Questions about the case can be referred to County Attorney Dennis C. Hogan at the County Attorney's Office in Manchester at 627.5605.

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