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NEWS RELEASE

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Details: A former church leader and Registered Sex Offender, Edward Thompson, has been sentenced to 125 years prison for repeated acts of rape, sodomy and sexual abuse of a child. The abuse began when the victim was a toddler, spanning from 2012 to 2018. Sentence was imposed after a week-long jury trial that culminated in unanimous verdicts of guilty. Because the crimes are Measure 11, the Defendant will not be eligible for early release of any kind whatsoever. The District Attorney's Office appreciates Presiding Judge Debra Vogt's recognition of the seriousness in this matter and reflecting that in sentencing Mr. Thompson. We also want to extend our gratitude to the law enforcement agencies involved in gathering evidence in this case; in particular I'd like to commend the efforts of Det. Jennifer Curry of Eugene Police Dept. in exhausting all leads presented in the investigation of Edward Thompson. The conclusion of trial brings the victim and her family one step further toward closure and we are so grateful for the tremendous bravery displayed by the child-victim during this case and trial.