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PRESS RELEASE

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CHILD MOLESTATION CHARGES FILED AGAINST PORTERVILLE MAN

District Attorney Tim Ward has announced criminal charges against Jose Luis Cortez Caballero, age 58, for child molestation.

Caballero is charged with eight total felony counts: seven counts of child molestation against one minor female victim and an additional count of child molestation against another minor female victim. It is alleged that the crimes were committed from November 2018 to November 2019 at a daycare operated by Caballero's family.

Caballero was arraigned at the county pre-trial facility this afternoon where he entered a plea of not guilty. Bail was set at \$250,000. Caballero will return to court on January 22, 2020, for a preliminary hearing setting / bail hearing in Department 3.

If convicted on all charges, Caballero faces life in prison.

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