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SDPD ARRESTS THE "SOFT SHOE RAPIST"

(San Diego) The San Diego Police Sex Crimes Unit today announced the arrest of the suspect in the "Soft Shoe Rapist" series. Jose David Quintana, 49, was taken into custody this morning at about 8:20 outside his home in the 600 block of South 68th Street. Quintana will be charged with multiple counts of rape, kidnapping, burglary and robbery.

Quintana was dubbed the "Soft Shoe Rapist" because of the footwear used when he attacked his victims. He has been linked to three cases of sexual assault in the city of San Diego. The first case occurred on April 29, 1995 in the 6200 block of University Avenue inside a laundry mat. The second case occurred on September 7, 1997 in a canyon near Chollas Lake. The third case occurred on April 15, 2000 in the 2700 block of "B" Street inside a victim's residence. Quintana was armed with a weapon in all of the assaults and appears to have randomly selected his victims.

Quintana's identity was established as a result of his DNA profile. Evidence obtained from the three cases indicated a DNA match to Quintana's profile in CODIS (Combined DNA Index System).

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