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Cody Wilson Formally Sentenced in Child Abuse Case

Cody Wilson was formally sentenced today in the 450th District Court to 7 years of deferred adjudication probation and will be required to register as a sex offender. Wilson, 31, pleaded guilty on August 9, 2019, to the charge of Injury to a Child, a third-degree felony. The State entered the plea negotiation after much consultation with the victim and the victim's family.

Wilson was originally arrested for Sexual Assault of Child in August of 2018 after the victim told law enforcement she met Wilson on the online adult dating site SugarDaddymeet.com. The victim and Wilson began exchanging messages and phone numbers and then Wilson and the victim agreed to meet at a local coffee shop. After meeting in person, Wilson then drove the victim back to his hotel room where they engaged in sexual intercourse and, shortly thereafter, Wilson retrieved five \$100.00 bills from his bag and gave the money to the victim. Wilson later drove the victim to the Whataburger restaurant located at 3400 West Slaughter Lane. Shortly thereafter, the victim contacted law enforcement, which resulted in criminal charges being filed against Wilson. Before being arrested by local authorities, Wilson fled to Asia where he was subsequently arrested and extradited back to Travis County.

In addition to the standard sexual offender probationary conditions, Wilson must register as a sexual offender, perform 475 community service hours, pay \$4,800 in restitution, and install monitoring software on any device he owns that can access the internet. Also, he must attend sexual offender treatment programs as directed by the department of probation, have no unsupervised contact with minors, have no contact with the victim, submit a DNA sample to law enforcement, and comply with any other conditions that are deemed necessary by the department of probation. Should he violate the terms of his probation, Wilson could be sentenced by the court for up to 10 years in prison.

At the conclusion of the sentencing hearing, Assistant District Attorney Joe Frederick said he knows "the victim and her family are glad this ordeal is over and they are looking forward to healing and getting back to normal."