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### **Hamilton Man Accused of Aggravated Sexual Assault Ordered Detained**

A 26-year-old Hamilton man arrested last week and charged with sexually assaulting women at two separate gatherings at his Liberty Street residence last year was ordered detained Wednesday pending final resolution to his case.

At a hearing held Wednesday afternoon in Mercer County Superior Court, Judge Robert W. Bingham II granted Assistant Prosecutor Tim Ward's motion to detain Eridson M. Rodriguez pending final resolution to his case.

Last week, Rodriguez was arrested and charged with two counts of first-degree aggravated sexual assault and two counts of third-degree aggravated criminal sexual contact. He is accused of having intercourse with two women, ages 19 and 20, who were intoxicated and incapacitated during gatherings at his house in March 2019 and again in May 2019.

Since his arrest, four additional victims have stepped forward and accused Rodriguez of similar crimes. He now faces additional charges of aggravated sexual assault and aggravated criminal sexual contact.

The investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information on the case is asked to contact Detective Shari Johnson of the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office Special Victims Unit at (609) 989-6758 or Hamilton Police Detective Daniel Inman at (609) 581-4000.

Despite having been charged, all persons are presumed innocent until found guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

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