

**NATIONAL DAY OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS**

Human trafficking in the United States is on the rise and combating it must involve the American people and the United States government; the United States is the only nation in history to fight a civil war which resulted in the abolition of slavery, its government and citizens must once again stand united to successfully defeat the current forms of slavery in the United States and around the world, no matter how long it takes.

Americans are committed to individual freedom and will do all they can to help eliminate modern-day slavery which includes human trafficking, early and forced marriage, forced labor, bonded labor, and slavery by descent; Americans will take the necessary steps to non-violently stop modern-day slavery around the world and help its victims to find physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual restoration.

Beyond all differences of race, creed, or political persuasion, Americans are one people that must face national threats together, and while they now live with a heightened awareness of human trafficking and other forms of modern-day slavery, they refuse to allow them to continue; opposition by the American people will be directed against all individuals, groups, organizations, and nations who support, advance, or commit acts of modern-day slavery.

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**MOTION**

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Under the guidance of March Against Terror USA, the 'National Day of Human Trafficking Awareness' and the FACE program (Fight Against Concealed Enslavement) represent an ongoing commitment by the American people to year-round awareness against human trafficking and all other forms of modern-day slavery; that the American people, through their awareness, will assist authorities in whatever it takes to disrupt and defeat the global human trafficking network:

**I, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors observe January 11<sup>th</sup> as “National Day of Human Trafficking Awareness” by the County of Los Angeles and observe this date each year as an annual day of rededication to year-round awareness against modern-day slavery.

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