

Proclamation

by

Andy Beshear
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

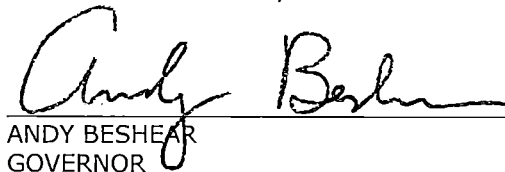
- WHEREAS, Human trafficking is a public health issue and crime that exploits the most vulnerable among us; and
- WHEREAS, An estimated 27.6 million people are subjected to human trafficking globally, including cases of human trafficking reported in every U.S. state and territory; and
- WHEREAS, Human trafficking can happen to anyone, but certain populations are disproportionately at risk, including people affected by abuse, violence, poverty, unstable living situations, social disconnection, or discrimination; and
- WHEREAS, Human trafficking can be prevented by building individual, community, and societal understanding and resilience, reducing social inequities, and addressing the conditions that contribute to exploitation; and
- WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Kentucky is dedicated to ensuring anyone impacted by human trafficking can receive services that provide individualized care, understand the impact of trauma, and incorporate cultural and linguistic needs; and
- WHEREAS, People who have experienced human trafficking have relevant perspectives and expertise, and we must engage and collaborate with them to develop and strengthen trafficking-related services and programs; and
- WHEREAS, Every individual, family, community, and organization can contribute to enhancing human trafficking awareness, prevention, and response by learning about ways to help at acf.hhs.gov/otip and humantraffickinghotline.org;


NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANDY BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim January 2024, as

HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION MONTH

in Kentucky.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 2nd day of January, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Four and in the 232nd year of the Commonwealth.


ANDY BESHEAR
GOVERNOR


Michael G. Adams
Secretary of State



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