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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing January as
Human Trafficking Awareness Month.

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2 Human Trafficking Awareness Month.

3 *Whereas, There is an opportunity to raise public awareness*
4 *about human trafficking by recognizing January as Human*
5 *Trafficking Awareness Month;*

6 *Whereas, Human trafficking is a major public health, human*
7 *rights, economic justice, and social justice issue in the United*
8 *States and throughout the world;*

9 *Whereas, Promoting education and raising awareness in the*
10 *state of Indiana will allow all Hoosiers the opportunity to stand*
11 *with survivors of human trafficking;*

12 *Whereas, It is important to recognize the strength and resolve*
13 *of these survivors;*

14 *Whereas, It is important to believe them and provide them*
15 *with a voice;*

16 *Whereas, It is important to remind them that they are not*
17 *alone;*

18 *Whereas, It is critical that those seeking help or services have*
19 *access to trauma-informed, survivor-centered care and*
20 *treatment;*

21 *Whereas, Hoosiers must work together to educate one*
22 *another about human trafficking and pursue ways to prevent*
23 *human trafficking by addressing the systemic root causes*



1 *behind this issue, which include oppression, violence, and*
2 *exploitation in communities;*

3 *Whereas, Indiana continues to collaborate with local, state,*
4 *and federal stakeholders such as advocacy programs, law*
5 *enforcement agencies, mental health professionals, medical*
6 *professionals, and educators to identify, prevent, respond*
7 *effectively to, and ultimately eliminate human trafficking;*

8 *Whereas, All Hoosiers have a stake in preventing human*
9 *trafficking, and all Hoosiers have the power to make a*
10 *difference;*

11 *Whereas, All Hoosiers have the ability to promote dignity and*
12 *respect of one another; strengthen the fabric of Hoosier*
13 *communities; and build a safer, more just world; and*

14 *Whereas, All Hoosiers are encouraged to wear blue on*
15 *January 31 in honor of victims and survivors of human*
16 *trafficking: Therefore,*

17 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives*
18 *of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,*
19 *the Senate concurring:*

20 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly recognizes
21 January as Human Trafficking Awareness Month.

