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## **MEMORANDUM**

Communication to Kenosha County Board of Supervisors  
(For Informational Purposes Only)

**COMMUNICATION TO APPEAR ON COUNTY BOARD MEETING AGENDA: 11/07/2023**

**SUBJECT: A Resolution Recognizing January 2024 as "Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery Prevention Month"**

**COMMITTEE:** Choose a Committee

**SUBMITTED BY:** Vice Chair Decker

**RESOLUTION TO BE PRESENTED AT** Choose a Committee **COMMITTEE ON** [Click here to enter a date.](#)

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (optional):**



**KENOSHA COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: <b>A Resolution Recognizing January 2024 as "Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery Prevention Month"</b>			
Original <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Revised <input type="checkbox"/>	2nd Correction <input type="checkbox"/>	Resubmitted <input type="checkbox"/>
Date Submitted:		Date Resubmitted:	
Submitted by: Vice Chair Decker, Supervisors Belsky, Wamboldt, Nedweski, Poole, and Rodriguez			
Fiscal Note Attached <input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> Legal Note Attached	
Prepared by: Vice Chair Decker, Annette Howze, Karyn van Heijningen, and Ron Rogers		Signature:	

WHEREAS, the United States was founded on the principles that all people are born with the unalienable rights to freedom and liberty and these are fundamental principles of our country; and

WHEREAS, human trafficking is a form of modern slavery and victims of human trafficking are subjected to force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of commercial sex exploitation and/or forced labor; and

WHEREAS, human trafficking is one of the fastest-growing crimes in the world, second only to drug trafficking as the most profitable form of crime, according to the U.S. Department of State; and

WHEREAS, human trafficking is a \$150 billion criminal industry with an estimated 25 million victims around the world of which, two million victims could be in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the victims and survivors of human trafficking are citizens and immigrants, men, women, and children; and it is not limited by age, gender, ethnicity, or socioeconomic background; and

WHEREAS, human trafficking requires a coordinated, community-wide response, in 2015, Kenosha County formed the Kenosha Coalition Against Human Trafficking to comprehensively address human trafficking; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors does recognize January 2024 as “National Trafficking and Modern Slavery Prevention Month” in Kenosha County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors wishes to raise awareness of, and opposition to, human trafficking and modern slavery; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors commends all work by volunteers, businesses, organizations and the Kenosha Coalition Against Human Trafficking for their important contributions to this commitment to end human trafficking; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors stands in full support of those victims still being trafficked and who have yet to leave, heal and recover; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors recognizes survivors of trafficking and commends their resilience and their work to rebuild their lives; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors encourages residents to use this month as an opportunity to educate themselves about the prevalence of human trafficking and modern day slavery in Kenosha County and calls on all Kenosha residents to recognize the vital role we can play in ending all forms of human trafficking.

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