

# Human Trafficking Awareness and Prevention Month Proclamation January 2022

#### Whereas:

Human trafficking is the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of forced labor or sexual servitude.

## Whereas:

Human trafficking is a 32 billion dollar a year global criminal enterprise and is a crime as well as a civil and human rights violation.

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The United States government estimates that 600,000 to 800,000 individuals are trafficked across international borders each year and exploited through forced labor and forced commercial sexual activity.

### Whereas:

Human Trafficking Awareness Day is observed on January 11 in places across the country in order to educate the public and raise awareness about human trafficking.

**Therefore,** I ask that the Barbour County Commission herby proclaim the month of January 2022 as Human Trafficking Awareness Month in Barbour County and urge the residents of Barbour County to learn and recognize the signs of Human trafficking to support the efforts and take action to end this form of modern-day slavery.

Mry Cuchlo (Signature)

Jan 21, 2022 (Date)