



PROCLAMATION

Human Trafficking Awareness

Whereas, Human Trafficking Awareness Month calls attention to the fact that human trafficking is widespread and impacts every person in this community and all communities across the country; and

Whereas, the exploitation of humans, the selling of humans, and the buying of humans harm our communities, and every one of us has a role in protecting the people we love most; and

Whereas, an estimated 71% of enslaved victims are women and girls and 29% of enslaved victims are males and boys; 51.6% of victims in active cases in the United States were children; and the average age a person is forced into this heinous crime is 12 to 14 years old; and

Whereas, the theme of the 2022 campaign is, "End Human Trafficking", which will call on individuals to raise awareness on human trafficking to eradicate human trafficking;

Whereas, January is Human Trafficking Awareness Month, when we must remind ourselves that everyone must share the responsibility to end human trafficking, give survivors a network of support, and building a culture that will not tolerate human trafficking.

Now, therefore, I, Daryl Melton, Sabine County Judge, on behalf of the entire Commissioners' Court, do hereby proclaim the month of January 2022 as:

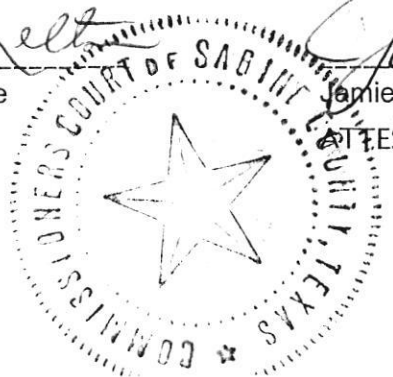
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In the County of Sabine, and encourage all citizens to become aware of human trafficking and join advocates in the community in taking action to end human trafficking.

Dated this 13th of December, 2021.

Daryl Melton
Daryl Melton, County Judge

Jamie Clark
Jamie Clark, County Clerk



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