

Resolution No. 2020 -

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2020 AS NATIONAL SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Awareness month was established in January 2010 to bring to light the issue of Human trafficking; and

WHEREAS, Human trafficking is a growing problem in the United States and around the world; and

WHEREAS, California, with its large immigrant communities, the world's 9th largest economy and an extensive international border, is considered one of the top four destinations in the United States for human trafficking; and

WHEREAS, Human trafficking victims, through recruitment or abduction, by means of force, fraud or coercion, are forced to work in various forms of labor exploitation; and

WHEREAS, the threat of child sexual exploitation remains very real, and can occur in the home, on the street, over the Internet, in the United States or overseas; and

WHEREAS, over 90% of identified commercially sexually exploited children have a prior history of sexual abuse and the average age of entry into commercial sexual exploitation is 12-14 for girls and 11-13 for boys; and

WHEREAS, National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Awareness Month is an opportunity to recognize the critical role we all play in preventing, reporting, and adjudicating these heinous crimes; and

WHEREAS, Solano County Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children Steering Committee is a countywide team of professionals consisting of Health and Social Services, Child Welfare Services and Behavioral Health; Law Enforcement; Board Supervisor; District Attorney; Solano County Office of Education; and a host of Community Based Organizations committed to increasing awareness.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby designates the month of January 2020 as National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Awareness Month in Solano County, and encourages all residents of Solano County to learn more about the issue of human trafficking.

Dated this 7th day of January, 2020

ERIN HANNIGAN, Chairwoman
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk