

1 A RESOLUTION commemorating Human Trafficking Awareness Day on January
2 11, 2019.

3 WHEREAS, the International Labor Organization estimates that there are more than
4 20 million victims of human trafficking worldwide, with hundreds of thousands of
5 victims living in the United States; and

6 WHEREAS, victims of human trafficking live in fear and are often kept isolated,
7 making them unaware of their rights, powerless to access services, and afraid to ask for
8 help from local law enforcement; and

9 WHEREAS, in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, human trafficking has been
10 addressed by many different agencies and organizations, including the Kentucky
11 Statewide Human Trafficking Taskforce, which was created with the implementation of
12 the Human Trafficking Victims' Rights Act in 2013; and

13 WHEREAS, combating human trafficking requires a collaborative, comprehensive
14 approach across all levels of government, and requires vigilance from the general public;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, to this end, Human Trafficking Awareness Day was designated in
17 2007, and has served as a reminder to all citizens that human trafficking remains a vital
18 issue that deserves every available resource to stop;

19 NOW, THEREFORE,

20 ***Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the***
21 ***Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

22 ➔Section 1. The members of the House of Representatives hereby commemorate
23 Human Trafficking Awareness Day on January 11, 2019.

24 ➔Section 2. The members also recognize the importance of assisting the victims
25 of human trafficking, of fighting human trafficking across the Commonwealth of
26 Kentucky, and of helping recovering victims to be accepted back into their communities.

27 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representative is directed to transmit a

- 1 copy of this Resolution to Representative McKenzie Cantrell.