

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

STATEMENT IN OBSERVANCE OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH

Whereas, human trafficking is a modern-day form of slavery that impacts communities throughout the United States and encompasses both sex trafficking and labor trafficking; and

Whereas, professionals and average citizens can work together to end human trafficking by raising awareness, reporting incidents, and sharing resources that are available in our community; and

Whereas, Delaware is not immune to human trafficking issues, and we have an obligation to work to end this form of slavery; and

Whereas, community members and medical professionals play an important role in reporting human trafficking cases to law enforcement; and

Whereas, through a community-wide effort, and in collaboration with businesses, law enforcement, and advocates, we can help bring freedom to victims of human trafficking and prevent future cases in the State of Delaware.

> Now, Therefore, We, Matthew Meyer, Governor, and Kyle Evans Gay, Lieutenant Governor, do hereby declare January 2025, as

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in the State of Delaware, and urge all the citizens to work together to put an end to human trafficking.

> Matthew Meyer Governor

Lieutenant Governor