STATE OF MICHIGAN

CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN

I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim

January 2017

HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, human labor and sex trafficking are emerging as a major problem around the world, the United States of America and communities across Michigan; and,

WHEREAS, Michigan has recognized human trafficking as a serious threat to the safety and wellbeing of its citizens, particularly the young; and,

WHEREAS, organizations are being formed around the state to address the issues of prevention, supportive services and rehabilitation of such survivors; and,

WHEREAS, it is now well recognized that this problem requires a multidimensional state wide solution that includes health care providers, social workers, child advocacy groups, law enforcement, faith based organizations, legislators, and the judiciary system; and,

WHEREAS, many professionals are not being appropriately trained in the detection and response to victims and survivors of human trafficking;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim January 2017 as Human Trafficking Awareness Month in Michigan.

RICK SNYDER GOVERNOR

Rick Snyder
Governor