

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

**PROCLAMATION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

Declaring January 2014 as National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month in Multnomah County, Oregon.

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:**

- a. Today in the United States, it is estimated that as many as 300,000 minors are at risk for being trafficked for sexual exploitation. A recent Portland State University study identified 469 unduplicated victims in the Portland area alone.*
- b. This study found that 15.5 was the average age at which victims were first referred to DHS or the Sexual Assault Resource Center.*
- c. Human trafficking is modern day slavery, and an effective community response must include comprehensive services for victims, and a coordinated effort by law enforcement to punish the traffickers and other exploiters who drive this criminal industry.*
- d. There will be community events culminating in the annual celebration of National Freedom Day on February 1, 2013.*

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:**

- 1. January as National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month in Multnomah County, Oregon.*

**ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

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**SUBMITTED BY:** Diane McKeel, Commissioner – District 4