

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

**PROCLAMATION NO. 2013-004**

Proclaiming the Month of January 2013 as National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month in Multnomah County.

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

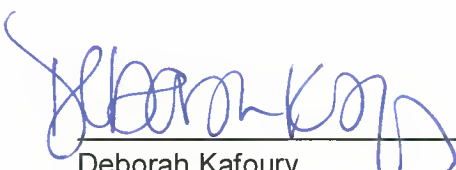
- a. On December 31, 2012 President Barack Obama proclaimed the month of January 2013 as National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month.
- b. Human Trafficking is modern day slavery.
- c. Today in the United States, it is estimated that 300,000 minors are at risk for being trafficked for sexual exploitation. Nearly seventy-five percent of the victims are American citizens.
- d. The average age of entry into the sex industry is as young as 12 to 14 years old.
- e. The Trafficking continues because of the huge potential for profit, based on enormous demand, and because of the negligible or low risk of prosecution.
- f. Mortality rates for women in prostitution are over 200 times greater than those of women with similar demographic profiles.
- g. There will be community events culminating in the annual celebration of National Freedom Day on February 1, 2013.

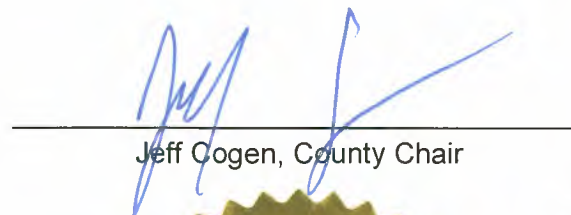
**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:**

1. January 2013 as National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month in Multnomah County.

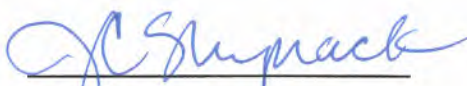
ADOPTED this 10th day of January 2013.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON


  
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SUBMITTED BY: Commissioner Diane McKeel, District 4