

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 98

Senators Santana, Chang, Wojno, Alexander, Bayer, Geiss, Bullock and Hollier offered the following resolution:

1       A resolution to call for human trafficking hotline postings to  
2 be displayed at financial institutions.

3       Whereas, Human trafficking is a terrible crime in which  
4 victims are exploited for financial or other gain. These crimes  
5 occur throughout the country and across the entire world. Through  
6 fraud, force, or coercion, human trafficking victims may be  
7 compelled to commit sexual acts or perform labor or service against  
8 their will. Put simply, it is a form of slavery; and

9       Whereas, While there are strong and increasing efforts to  
10 combat human trafficking, more can be done to make known and stop  
11 this persistent injustice. In particular, all avenues to bring  
12 attention to human trafficking crimes and alert victims of their

1 circumstance and options for help must be pursued to end this awful  
2 practice; and

3       Whereas, Financial institutions, including banks and credit  
4 unions, are important venues to display a human trafficking notice.  
5 For some victims, one of the few opportunities to be in a public  
6 place is when they are in a bank or credit union building.  
7 Financial institutions that have information on human trafficking  
8 and the contact number for the National Human Trafficking Resource  
9 Center Hotline posted and readily visible may be the difference for  
10 some victims in being freed from a dire situation; now, therefore,  
11 be it

12       Resolved by the Senate, That we call upon the federal  
13 government to take a stand against human trafficking by requiring  
14 financial institutions to display human trafficking hotline  
15 postings at their buildings; and be it further

16       Resolved, That we call upon financial institutions to take a  
17 stand against human trafficking by voluntarily displaying human  
18 trafficking hotline postings at their buildings; and be it further

19       Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the  
20 President of the United States, the Chair of the Board of Governors  
21 of the Federal Reserve System, the President of the United States  
22 Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives,  
23 the members of the Michigan congressional delegation, the American  
24 Bankers Association, and the Credit Union National Association.