## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.212

Reps. Yancey, Rabhi, Sneller, Brenda Carter, Whiteford, Brabec, Camilleri, Young, Pohutsky, Stone, O'Neal, Bolden, Tate, Sabo and Weiss offered the following resolution:

- 1 A resolution to declare January 25-29, 2022, as Human
- 2 Trafficking Awareness Week in the state of Michigan.
- 3 Whereas, Human trafficking, a form of modern-day slavery, is a
- 4 crime under international, federal, and state law; and
- 5 Whereas, Human trafficking is define as the recruitment,
- 6 harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of persons for
- 7 labor or services through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for
- 8 the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt,
- 9 bondage, or slavery, and the inducement of a commercial sex act by
- 10 force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to

- 1 perform such an act has not attained 18 years of age; and
- 2 Whereas, To combat this form of modern-day slavery, the people
- 3 of the United States, the federal government, and state and local
- 4 governments must work to better understand the complex nature of
- 5 this problem; and
- 6 Whereas, The members of this legislative body encourage all
- 7 Michiganders to use this month as an opportunity to educate
- 8 themselves about human trafficking and be aware of how prevalent it
- 9 is in our state; and
- 10 Whereas, Along with health care providers, social workers,
- 11 child advocacy groups, and law enforcement, we all must work toward
- 12 a statewide solution; now, therefore, be it
- Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
- 14 this legislative body declare January 25-29, 2022, as Human
- 15 Trafficking Awareness Week in the state of Michigan. We support and
- 16 commend all work by induvial, businesses, organizations, and
- 17 governing bodies for their important contributions to this
- 18 commitment to end modern-day slavery. We encourage citizens to get
- 19 involved with local efforts to raise awareness of and opposition to
- 20 human trafficking.