

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 28

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 135

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 28—Relative to human trafficking.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 28, Ma. National Day of Human Trafficking Awareness.

This measure would recognize the National Day of Human Trafficking Awareness on January 11 of each year in order to encourage greater awareness of human trafficking and all other forms of modern day slavery.

WHEREAS, Human trafficking in the United States is on the rise, and combating it must involve the American people and the United States government; and

WHEREAS, The United States is the only nation in history to fight a civil war that resulted in the abolition of slavery, and its government and citizens must once again stand united to successfully defeat the current forms of slavery in the United States and around the world, no matter how long it takes; and

WHEREAS, Americans are committed to individual freedom and will do all they can to help eliminate modern day slavery, which includes human trafficking, early and forced marriage, forced labor, bonded labor, and slavery by descent; and

WHEREAS, Americans will take the necessary steps to nonviolently stop modern day slavery around the world and help its victims find physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual restoration; and

WHEREAS, Beyond all differences of race, creed, or political persuasion, Americans are one people who must face national threats together, and while they now live with a heightened awareness of human trafficking and other forms of modern day slavery, they refuse to allow them to continue; and

WHEREAS, Opposition by the American people will be directed against all individuals, groups, organizations, and nations who support, advance, or commit acts of modern day slavery; and

WHEREAS, Under the guidance of March Against Terror USA, the National Day of Human Trafficking Awareness and the Fight Against Concealed Enslavement (FACE) Program represent an ongoing commitment by the American people to year-round awareness of human trafficking and all other forms of modern day slavery; and

WHEREAS, The American people, through their awareness, will assist authorities in whatever it takes to disrupt and defeat the global human trafficking network; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the National Day of Human Trafficking Awareness is recognized by the Legislature on January 11 of each year in order to encourage greater awareness of human trafficking and all other forms of modern day slavery; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.