## Shasta County Board of Supervisors Proclamation

## Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month January 2017

WHEREAS, human trafficking occurs in countries throughout the world and here in our community; and

**WHEREAS,** human trafficking is considered modern-day slavery, tears at our social fabric, fuels violence and organized crime, and debases our common humanity; and

WHEREAS, human trafficking can affect anyone, regardless of race, religion, occupation, educational level, culture, socioeconomic status, or sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS, these victims face a cruelty that has no place in a civilized world: children are made to do unspeakable things, teenagers are forced do to unspeakable things, and migrants are exploited and compelled to work for little or no pay; and

WHEREAS, during the past year, numerous organizations in Shasta County have hosted events on combatting human trafficking, bringing together community members from every sector of our community; and

**WHEREAS,** the Shasta County District Attorney's office supports the efforts of agencies and coalitions working to eradicate sex and labor trafficking in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, during National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month, we stand with the survivors, advocates and organizations dedicated to building a world where our people and our children are not for sale and we renew our commitment to ending this abhorrent crime in all forms.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED* that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta hereby proclaims January 2017 as Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month in Shasta County.

, Chairman

January 10, 2017 Date