

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, January is designated as Human Trafficking Awareness and Prevention Month; and

WHEREAS, today, millions of men, women, and children are victims of human trafficking. These victims face cruelty that has no place in a civilized world: children are made to be soldiers, teenage girls are beaten and forced into prostitution, and others exploited and compelled to work for little or no pay. It is a crime that takes many forms, and one that tears at the social fabric, debases our common humanity, and violates what we stand for as a country and a people; and

WHEREAS, founded on the principles of justice and fairness, the United States continues to be a leader in the global movement to end human trafficking and are working to combat human trafficking, prosecute the perpetrators, and help victims recover and rebuild their lives; and


WHEREAS, during Human Trafficking Awareness and Prevention Month, Caddo Parish stands together with the survivors, advocates, and organizations dedicated to building a parish, state and nation where our people and children are not for sale.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Caddo Parish Commission that it does hereby proclaim January 2024 as:

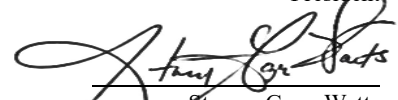
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in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and urges all citizens to join with the Parish in recognition of this important month.

ATTEST:


Jeff Everson
Commission Clerk


John-Paul Young
President


Stormy Gage-Watts
Vice-President