The National Federation of Republican Women Stands for Ending Human Trafficking

Human trafficking is modern day slavery. It exists in the shadows but has infiltrated every community.

Human trafficking involves sex trafficking and labor trafficking. It is tied to illicit drugs. It is facilitated by a porous border with Mexico. It is a reason for the disappearance of many runaways and a cause of kidnappings. The internet has caused an explosion of trafficking as “buyers” shop online.

The National Federation of Republican Women advocates preventing human trafficking as a top priority and engaged our membership in helping enact the Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act in 2016 and the Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act in 2018.

As the next steps in the multi-pronged fight against human trafficking, the NFRW advocates passing the following bills to reduce human trafficking and help its victims.

**End Child Trafficking Now Act**, S. 2420, introduced by Sen. Marsha Blackburn (TN), and H.R. 3864, introduced by Rep. Lance Gooden (TX), would combat asylum fraud and protect children arriving at the border from falling victim to human trafficking by requiring DNA testing to verify the relationship between an alien and accompanying minor being brought across the border without documentation.

**Remittances and Money Laundering Risk Assessment Act**, S. 2144, introduced by Sen. John Cornyn (TX), focuses on keeping money out of the hands of traffickers by requiring the Treasury Department to prepare a threat and operational analysis of how drug kingpins, crime syndicates, and others use money from their illicit operations to finance terrorism, narcotics trafficking, human trafficking, and money laundering domestically or internationally.

**Reduce the Demand for Human Trafficking Act**, H.R. 467, introduced by Rep. Adam Kinzinger (IL), focuses on demand for human trafficking by giving preference in grant funding under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act to programs that include a focus on investigation and prosecution of those who solicit or purchase commercial sex.

**Enhancing Detection of Human Trafficking Act**, H.R. 4456, introduced by Rep. Tim Walberg (IL), focuses on human trafficking in the workplace by ensuring Department of Labor employees receive the proper training to recognize instances of human trafficking and refer these cases to law enforcement agencies so perpetrators are held accountable.

The NFRW encourages all members of Congress to co-sponsor these important bills.