

CF No. 311260

TITLE: A Proclamation of the Seattle City Council
declaring January 11, 2011 as Human Trafficking
Awareness Day.

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PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION BY THE SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL DECLARING JANUARY 11, 2011 AS HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS DAY.

WHEREAS, human trafficking is a form of modern day slavery which includes, but is not limited to, forced labor, sexual exploitation, debt bondage, involuntary domestic servitude and forced marriages; and

WHEREAS, human trafficking occurs internationally and domestically, and crosses borders and jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, men, women, and children - both United States citizens and non-citizens - are victims of human trafficking; and

WHEREAS, awareness in Washington of the problem of human trafficking was raised early and resulted in Washington becoming the first state to pass a law criminalizing human trafficking in 2003; and

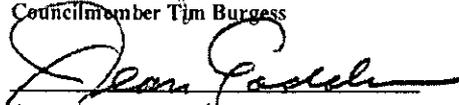
WHEREAS, in 2004 federal authorities designated Seattle as one of ten human trafficking hotspots because of the City's many points of entry; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle has recently taken strong steps to respond to the problem in our community of commercially sexually exploited children, a particularly pernicious form of human trafficking;

Now, therefore, The Seattle City Council proclaims
Tuesday, January 11, 2011 as **Human Trafficking Awareness Day** and
urges all citizens to join in this observance.

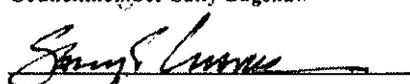

Council President Richard Conlin

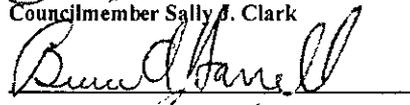

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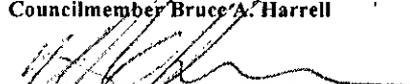

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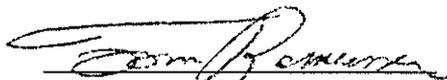

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