Proclamation

A proclamation of the Mayor and City Council

of

The City of Gautier, Mississippi

Whereas, January is National Human Trafficking Prevention Month. Advocates for Freedom will be joining millions of Americans nationwide in recognizing the growing need to stop human trafficking.

Whereas, the United States has made great strides in preventing the occurrence of modern slavery, prosecuting traffickers and dismantling their criminal networks, and protecting victims and survivors, our work is not done. We stand with those throughout the world who are working every day to end modern slavery, bring traffickers to justice, and empower survivors to reclaim their rightful freedom.

Whereas, the efforts by individuals, businesses, organizations, and governing bodies to promote the observance of " Human Trafficking Awareness Month" in January of each year represents one of the examples of the ongoing commitment in the United States to raise awareness of and to actively combat human trafficking;

Now, Therefore Be It Enacted by the City of Gautier Mississippi, in recognition of the Advocates for Freedom does hereby designate January 2014 as "Human Trafficking Awareness Month" and urge all Citizens to educate themselves about all forms of modern slavery and the signs and consequences of human trafficking. Together, we can combat this crime within our borders and join with our partners around the world to end this injustice.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have given under my hand and the seal of the City of Gautier, Mississippi this the 21st of January, 2014.

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Gordon Gollott, Mayor