

WOODBURY COUNTY, IOWA

RESOLUTION NO. 13,531

PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS,** *the United States was founded upon the principle that all people are created with the inalienable right to freedom, and added the 13<sup>th</sup> amendment to the Constitution making slavery illegal; and*

**WHEREAS,** *slavery within the United States today is most often found in the form of forced labor and sex trafficking, which weakens our social fabric, increases violence and organized crime, and debases our humanity; and*

**WHEREAS,** *this problem is found even within our community; and*

**WHEREAS,** *every business, community organization, faith community, family and individual can make a difference by choosing products that are not made by forced labor; by working to protect our young people from sexual exploitation; by addressing the problems of internet sex trafficking and pornography; and by becoming more aware of the problem and possible solutions.*

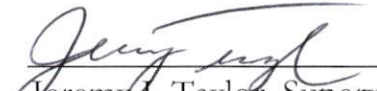
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Woodbury County Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim the month of January, 2023 as

**“SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION MONTH”**  
*in Woodbury County, Iowa and urge all citizens to become more familiar with the problem and to work towards solutions.*

  
Matthew A. Ung, Chairman

  
Daniel A. Bittinger II Supervisor

  
Keith W. Radig, Supervisor

  
Jeremy J. Taylor, Supervisor

  
Attest: Patrick F. Gill, Woodbury County Auditor